

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING
<b>OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1 / 2 Level; Reopening)</b>
Aggressive overcalls, almost crazy after passed hand
New suit NF
Reopening is lighter by 2-3 points, balancing NT 11-14
Cue is generally fit and forcing but can sometimes be artificial forcing
<b>INT OVERCALL (2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> 15-18 system on
4 <sup>th</sup> 11-14, only forcing is cuebid
<b>JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)</b>
Jump overcalls are aggressive, vul we tend to have at least some safety, non vulnerable can be quite wild
Unusual NT is two lowest unbid suit
Reopen: Jump is intermediate hand
<b>DIRECT &amp; JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Response; Reopen)</b>
Direct cuebid is michaels, normal responses
<b>VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening;PH)</b>
Vs strong dbl is 5+m/4M, 2 clubs is both M, 2 diamonds is one major, 2H is H+m, 2S is S+m, 2NT minors, the same on the reopening
Vs weak NT dbl is penalty, the rest is the same
<b>VS.PREEMTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)</b>
4m is leaping michaels, NT is 16-18 with stopper, cue is forcing
<b>VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS- i.e. 1♣ or 2♣</b>
Vs 1C x is 4-4 or 4-5 majors, 1D-2C is natural, 1NT is minors, 2D is both majors, 2M is that M plus m
On 2C everything tends to be lead director
<b>OVER OPPONENTS' TAKEOUT DOUBLE</b>
Rdbl is trying for penalty, new suit on 1 level is f1, new suit on 2 <sup>nd</sup> level is NF, 2NT is artificial invitation + with fit

LEADS AND SIGNALS			
<b>OPENING LEADS STYLE</b>			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit	
Suit	4 <sup>th</sup> if length, MUD from three	3 <sup>rd</sup> if length	
NT	4 <sup>th</sup> if length, Top of nothing	3 <sup>rd</sup> if length	
Subseq	Small with interes	Small with interes	
Other:			
<b>LEADS</b>			
Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT	
Ace	Ask for attitude	Ask for attitude	
King	Ask for count	Ask for deblock/count	
Queen	Ask for attitude	Ask for attitude	
Jack	KJT <sub>x</sub> + or JT <sub>x</sub> +	A(K)JT <sub>x</sub> + or JT <sub>x</sub> +	
10	T <sub>x</sub> , T9 <sub>x</sub> +, QT9 <sub>x</sub> , KT9+	T <sub>x</sub> , T9 <sub>x</sub> +, QT9 <sub>x</sub> , A(K)T9+	
9	Top of nothing	9 <sub>x</sub>	
Hi-X			
Lo-X			
<b>SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY</b>			
	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
1	Attitude	Count	Attitude
Suit 2	Count	S/P	Present count
3	S/P		
1	Attitude	Count	Attitude
NT 2	Count	S/P	Present count
3	S/P		
Signals (including Trumps):			
Hi positive attitude, even, in trumps S/P			
<b>DOUBLES</b>			
<b>TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)</b>			
Light T/O with shape, otherwise conservative			
Normal responses			
Light reopening doubles			
<b>SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL &amp; COMPETITIVE DBLS/RDLS</b>			
Support doubles and redoubles			
Negative doubles			
Lightner double			

EBL CONVENTION CARD
<b>CATEGORY:</b> i.e. Green / Blue / Red / HUM / Brown Sticker: <b>NCBO: Slovenia</b>
<b>PLAYERS: Marjan ZADEL-Gregor RUS</b> EVENT Open
<b>SYSTEM SUMMARY</b>
<b>GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE</b>
5 card major opening bids, better minor
2/1 GF
14-16 NT
Aggressive style
Standard carding
<b>SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE</b>
2 diamond opening is w2 in one major
2 heart is weak with both majors
2 spade is weak with spades and unspecified minor suit
1M-x-2 bellow major is constructive raise
3NT non serious slam try
Inverted minors
2C overcall on 1C is natural
xyz
<b>SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES</b>
<b>IMPORTANT NOTES</b>

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. NO. OF CARDS	NEG.DBL THRU				
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	COMPETITIVE & PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	∞		2C is inverted minor, 2X is strong, 3C preemptive 2NT is 11-12 invit, 1D generally denies 4M	1C-1x-1y-2C is trf to 2D, 2D is GF 1x-1y-2NT is 17-18	Doubles are not penalty in general
1♦		3	∞		Same as on 1C, 1D-2C is GF		
1♥		5	∞		1NT is F1, 1M-2x (x<M is GF), first JS is Jacoby, 2NT is 12-15 balance or 18+ balance Bergen raises(adjusted if necessary), 3NT is 16-17 splinters		
1♠		5	∞				
INT			∞	14-16, can be good 13	2C promises 4M, 2D/H trf, 2S is range inquiry, can be different types as well, 2NT is multiple options 3C puppet, 3D 5-5 M strong, 3M is shortness in other major, more on supplementary notes		
2♣	x	0		Strong, almost GF	2D is waitng, rest is GF natural		
2♦	x	0		Weak in one major	2M,3M is p/c, 2NT inquiry, more on supplementary notes		
2♥	x	4		Weak in both majors 55,45, 44 is rare	Supplementary notes		
2♠	x	5		5S + 4+m, weak			
2NT				19-21	3C puppet, 3S minor stayman		
3♣		6		Natural, preemptive			
3♦		6					
3♥		6					
3♠		6					
3NT				Gambling NT	4C p/c, 4D ask singleton, 4M to play		
4♣				Natural, preemptive			
4♦				Natural, preemptive			
4♥				Natural, preemptive			
4♠				Natural, preemptive			
4NT							
5♣						<b>HIGH LEVEL BIDDING</b>	
5♦						RKCB 1430, Gerber, DOPI/ROPI	
5♥							

5 ♠


## Supplementary notes

### 1. Inverted minors

Opponents silent:

1m-2m:

-2H is artificial, balanced minimum, up to 13 HCP, responders 2NT and 3m are pass bids

-2 in suit or 3 o/m shows control in suit, GF+, NT shows hearts

-JS is splinter

-3NT is 17-18 balanced

### 2. 1 major- 1st jumpshift

Cheapest suit bid shows any minimum except balanced minimum with extra trumps(4M shows that)

The next cheapest suit bid shows extra strength in unbalanced hand, but no extra trump length, extra strength means at least a king more, than normal opening. The cheapest NT shows extra strength in balanced hand. Rebid in major show extra strength, extra trump length but no shortness, jump in new suit shows extra trump length, extra strength and shortness in suit bid.

After cheapest suit rebid, next suit is relay, answers are: with 6+ trumps and unbalanced hand, rebid major, with 5 trump and balanced bid 3NT, with shortness and 5 trumps bid suit with shortness, with hand unsuitable for NT we bid 4M. After the next cheapest suit bid, the next bid is relay, and opener responds in his short suit. **Because the JS bidder is always in control of auction, he can occasionally bid this way with only three trumps.**

1 major-2NT showing 12-15 or 18+ balanced

Opener bids naturally, if responder has extra strength, he has to bid more, when responder can pass.

1NT opening 14-16

2C promises 4M, 1NT-2C-2D/H-2NT is invitational with 5 card spade, 1NT-2C-2x-3m is 6m and 4M, passable

After simple transfer, every bid is transfer

1NT-2S is range inquiry, 2NT shows minimum, 3C maximum. After the response, 3C is s/o, 3D is invit with D, 3H is strong club suit without shortage, 3S is strong diamond suit w/o shortage

1NT-2Nt is generally invit with clubs. After the response 3D is s/o, 3H is strong club suit with shortage, 3S is strong diamond suit with shortage

1NT-3C is puppet stayman, 3H and 3NT answers are changed

1NT-3D is 5-5 M strong, 1NT-3M is shortage is other major.

2D is weak in one major

2M and 3M is p/c

3m is natural, f1

3NT, 4M is s/o

4C ask for opener to transfer in his major, 4D ask opener to bid his major

2NT is artificial inquiry, 3C shows strong hearts, 3D strong spades, 3M is natural weak, 3NT is AKQ in a suit

2H is weak with both majors,

2S,3M,3NT,4M is s/o

2Nt is artificial, opener respond 3C with maximum, 3D with 55 min, 3M with 5 in M and 4 in other M and min. After 2H-2NT-3C, 3D is relay, opener bids 3 in other M with 54, and 3NT with 55.

3C is artificial, forces 3D. Then 3M shows fit and ask cue, 3NT is inquiry about top honors in both M, 4m ask for top honours in one suit and side aces

3D is invit in one major

4m is strong, natural, demands cue

4NT is 6 card KC ask

2S opening is 5S + 4+m less the opening

2NT is artificial inquiry, opener bids his minor with minimum, 3M with maximum and minor accordingly, 3NT with 5-0-4-4

3C is p/c, 3D is invit in spades, 3H is natural and NF, 3S,4S and 3NT is s/o, 4C is p/c