

## SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty ☐             
 Negative ☒ thru 4H  
 Responsive ☒: thru 3S Maximal ☒  
 Support: Dbl ☒ thru 2M Redbl ☒  
 Card-showing ☒ Min. Offshape T/O ☐  
Snapdragon: competitive dbls

## SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 17 HCP (usually)  
 often 4 cards ☐ very light style ☐  
**Responses**  
 New Suit: Forcing ☐ NFConst ☒ NF ☐  
 Jump Raise: Forcing ☐ Inv. ☐ Weak ☒  
 Jump Q = Limit or better, 4+ card support

## JUMP OVERCALL

Strong ☐ Intermediate ☐ Weak ☐  
Over 1C (2+ balanced), 2D = Majors, 2C nat

## OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound ☐ Light ☐ Very Light ☐  
 3/4-bids ☒ ☒ ☐  
 Conv./Resp. Light at favorable vul; 4C/3D = mod RKCB

## DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor ☐ Major ☐  
 Natural ☐ ☐  
 Strong T/O ☐ ☐  
 Michaels ☒ ☒

## SLAM CONVENTIONS

Gerber ☒: 4NT: Blackwood ☐ RKC ☒ 1430 ☐  
Roman Gerber/Bwd when no agreed suit, Kickback RKC  
 After Stayman and 2M response, 4C = RKCG; GSF responses-->less = more  
 vs Interference: DOPI ☒ DEPO ☒ Level: DOPI <=5; DEPO >5 ROPI ☒

## LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
<b>X X</b>	X X X X	<b>X X</b>	(X) X X X
(X) X X	X X X X	(X) X X	(X) X X X X
A K X	T 9 x	A K J x	A Q J x
K Q x	K J T x	A J T 9	A T 9 x
Q J x	K T 9 x	K Q J x	K Q T 9
J T 9	Q T 9 x	Q J T x	Q T 9 x
K Q T 9		J T 9 x	T 9 x x

## LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS ☐ vs NT ☒  
 3rd/5th Best vs SUITS ☒ vs NT ☐  
 Attitude vs NT ☐

Primary signal to partner's leads  
 Attitude ☒ Count ☐ Suit preference ☐

## SPECIAL CARDING

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## NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on ☒  
 Conv. ☒ Sandwich NT = dist. takeout (then 2NT = minors)  
 Balancing: 11/12 to 14/15 (m/M)  
 Jump to 2NT: Minors ☐ 2Lowest ☒  
 Conv. ☐ After 1NT balance, mod Kolish checks range

## DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: All  
 2♣ hearts and another            with both majors, we show  
 2♦ spades and another            weaker major first  
 2♥ Natural             
 2♠ Natural             
 Dbl: Penalty  
 Other BPH, dbl = clubs or diamonds  
 Advancer's dbl after 2C/D = competitive

## OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level ☒ 2 level ☐  
 Jump Shift: Forcing ☐ Inv. ☐ Weak ☒  
 Redouble implies no fit ☐  
 2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak  
 Majors ☒ ☐ ☐  
 Minors ☐ ☐ ☒  
 Other Transfers starting at 1NT after 1M, P's showing jump after 1C/D

## VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout ☒ thru 4S Penalty ☐  
 Conv. Takeout:             
 Lebensohl 2NT Response ☒  
 Other: Roman Jumps; 4NT/opp's wk 2 = Blackwood

## DEFENSIVE CARDING

vs SUITS vs NT  
 Standard: ☒ ☒  
 Except ☐  
 Vs NT: A asks attitude;  
 K asks unblock or count

Upside-Down:  
 count ☐ ☐  
 attitude ☐ ☐

## FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal ☐ ☐  
 Odd/Even ☐ ☐

## OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo ☐ ☒  
 Trump Suit Pref. ☒  
 Foster Echo ☐ ☐

## PLEASE ASK

## NAMES

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## GENERAL APPROACH

Modified Standard American

Two Over One: Game Forcing ☒ Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid ☐  
 VERY LIGHT: Openings ☐ 3rd Hand ☐ Overcalls ☐ Preempts ☐  
 FORCING OPENING: 1♣ ☐ 2♣ ☒ Natural 2Bids ☐ Other ☐

## NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT	2NT
<u>15+ or -</u> to <u>17+ or -</u>	<u>20+ or -</u> to <u>21+ or -</u>
<u>          </u> to <u>          </u>	Puppet Stayman <input type="checkbox"/>
5-card Major common <input type="checkbox"/>	Transfer Responses:
System on over <u>Artif. Dbl</u>	Jacoby <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Texas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2♣ Stayman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Puppet <input type="checkbox"/>	3♠ Minor Suit Stayman
2♦ Transfer to ♥ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Smolen; 4S strong invt (4NT invt)</u>
Forcing Stayman <input type="checkbox"/>	3NT <u>          </u> to <u>          </u>
2♥ Transfer to ♠ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Gambling; 4D asks shortness</u>
2♠ Minor Stayman or weak Ds	Conventional NT Openings
2NT <u>usu wk Cs or 4-4-4-1 GF</u>	1NT-2C-2D-4min (5-5 majors)
	1NT-4S strong invt; 4NT invt

## MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length	4	5
1st/2nd	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3rd/4th	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force ☐ Inv. ☒ Weak ☐  
 After Overcall: Force ☐ Inv. ☐ Weak ☒  
 Conv. Raise: 2NT ☒ 3NT ☒ Splitter ☒  
 Other: Modified Jacoby 2NT

1NT: Forcing ☒ Semi-forcing ☐  
 2NT: Forcing ☐ Inv. ☐ to             
 3NT: 15-16 to 4-3-3-3  
 Drury ☒: Reverse ☒ 2-Way ☐ Fit ☒  
 Other: After Drury, SSG between 2M and 3M

## MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length	4	3	0-2	Conv.
1♣	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1♦	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force ☐ Inv. ☐ Weak ☒  
 After Overcall: Force ☐ Inv. ☐ Weak ☒  
 Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor ☐  
 Single raise ☒ Other: Splitter  
 Frequently bypass 4+♦ ☒  
 1NT/1♣ 8+ to 11-  
 2NT Forcing ☒ Inv. ☒ to             
 3NT:            to             
 Other Transfer Raso over 1C - Pass; 3D/2NT checkbook offer trf

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## RESPONSES/REBIDS

2♣ <u>          </u> to <u>          </u> HCP	Cheapest 3 (or 4) 2nd neg
2♦ Resp: Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Waiting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Canope 3 Major rebid; 3NT resp said suit (unspecif)
2♦ <u>5</u> to <u>11</u> HCP	RONF; 3C asks shortness; 4C Mod RCKB
Natural: Weak <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. <input type="checkbox"/>	2NT Force <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Suit NF <input type="checkbox"/>
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## OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: ☐ 2-Way NMF ☒

Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. ☒ Not in Comp. ☐ Fit showing jumps BPH  
 4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. ☐ Game ☒ BUPH; XYZ by resp after 1C-Txfr; Unusual v 2 suiters  
Soloway jump shifts at 2-level; Wolff Signoff; Ingberman after reverse; Mitchell Stayman v NT overcall  
JS at 3 level invt (~8-~11, 6 cd suit); Serious 3NT; Last Train; Mathe vs Strong 1C

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