

<b>DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING</b>
<b>OVERCALLS</b> (style ; Responses ; ½ Level ; Reopening)
<b>Style</b> : natural, can be light 7+H
<b>Responses</b> : New suit F1, weak jump raises.
<b>Reopening</b> : no jump usually shows 7-13(14) HCP NT : 1NT 9-13, 2NT 17-19
<b>T/O Doubles General Style</b>
Can be light if shaped
Reopening 8+ according to shape
<b>NT Overcalls</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> position : 15-18 HCP, 4 <sup>th</sup> position: 9-13 HCP over 1m, rather 10-15(16) over 1M especially 1♠
Responses : Stayman and Transfers
<b>JUMP Overcalls</b>
<b>Style</b> : natural and weak according to vul. 1♣ 2♦ majors
<b>Unusual NT</b> : two lower suits
<b>Direct cue-bid</b> : two-suiter except 1♣ 2♣ natural
<b>Jump cue bid</b> : asks for stopper
<b>Responses</b> : natural F1, cue-bid asks
<b>VS 1NT OPENING</b>
<b>VS Strong NT</b> X= 5+m, 4M or strong, 2♣ both majors, 2♦ 1 major, 2♥/♠ 5♥/♠, 4+m, 2NT both minors
<b>VS Weak NT</b> X 14+ HCP, 2♣ both majors, 2x Transfer. After X, 2 <sup>nd</sup> X is T/O most of the time.
<b>VS PREEMPTS</b>
<b>Style</b> : T/O double, natural overcalls. Over a weak 2M, cue bid shows both minors, 4m = 5M' 5m
<b>Responses</b> : New suit F1, 2NT asks
<b>VS ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENING</b>
<b>VS Strong 1♣</b> X shows opening values and majors, 1-level natural, 1NT to 2NT 2-suiters, and 3-level preempts 1♣ 1M Pass 1NT : cue bid 2x : natural NF
<b>OVER OPPONENTS T/O DOUBLE</b>
XX=10+ HCP, next X are penalty. 1 level bid = natural forcing Transfers after 1/2M X. 2NT invitational + with fit, fit showing jumps.

<b>LEADS AND SIGNALS</b>			
<b>OPENING LEADS STYLE</b>			
	Lead	In Partner's suit	
Suit	3rd and low	3/5	
NT	4th best	3/5	
Subsequent	Count/Attitude	count	
Other : lead second from xxxx			
VS suits contracts, can lead K from AKx(x) and a sing aside			
<b>LEADS</b>			
Lead	Suit	NT	
Ace	AKx(x)	Ask for attitude	
King	AK, KQ(x)	Ask for count/unblock	
Queen	QJ(x), Qx	Ask for attitude	
Jack	(H)J10(x), Jx	(H)J10x	
10	10x, (H)109(x)	(H)109x(x), H10x	
9	9x, HH9x	9x, 9xx, H9x	
Hi-x	Sx, xSxx, HxSx	HSx, Sxx, xSxx(x)	
Low-x	xxS, HxS, HxxxS	HxxS, HxxSx,	
<b>SIGNALS IN ORDER PRIORITY</b>			
	Partner's lead	Declarer's lead	Discarding
1	Std count	Std count	Std count
2	High enc	High enc	High enc
3	S/P	S/P	S/P
1	Std count	Std count	Std count
2	High enc	High enc	High enc
3	S/P	S/P	S/P
Signals including Trumps: Upside down count, and echo often shows an ability to ruff.			
<b>TAKE OUT DOUBLES</b>			
<b>Style</b> : can be light if shaped			
<b>Responses</b> : natural, cue-bid shows strength			
<b>Reopening</b> : 8+, according to shape			
<b>Responder's doubles</b> :			
1m 1♥ X : 4+♠, 1♠ : 0-3♠			
1♣ 1♦ X : 4+♥, 1♥ : 4+♠, 1♠ : no 4 card major			
<b>SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES</b>			
Take Out Doubles, Responsive Doubles, Game-try Doubles			
<b>LIGHTNER</b>			

<b>CONVENTION CARD</b>
Category : Green
NCBO : France
Event : Any
Players : Thomas Bessis & Frederic Volcker
<b>SYSTEM SUMMARY</b>
<b>GENERAL APPROCH AND STYLE</b>
5-Card Major, Better Minor
2♣ GF any hand
2♦ ART almost GF
2♥/♠ Weak 2
1NT Opening : 15-17
2 over 1 Responses : GF
<b>SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE</b>
<b>Openings</b>
3NT solid minor no Ace or King aside
<b>Competitive bids</b>
See responder's doubles.
VS 1NT opening
<b>IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE</b>
Many fit showing jump bids.
3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> suit F1.
Psychics : rare

## OPENING BIDS AND DEVELOPPEMENTS

Opening	Tick if artificial	Minimum number of cards	Negative X thru	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣		3	7♥	11-23 HCP, better minor	2♣ GF raise, 2♦ inv ♣ raise, 2♥ 5+♠ 4+♥ 3-9 H, 3♣ pre	See take out doubles. 2 way check-back after 1m 1M 1NT	Fit showing jumps.
1♦		3	7♥	11-23 HCP, better minor	2♦ GF raise, 3♣ inv ♦ raise 2♥ 5+♠ 4+♥ 3-9H, 3♦ pre	Same as above.	Same as above
1♥		5	7♦	10-21 HCP	2♠ : 6+ cards, 0-7 HCP 2NT : 3-card supp 10-15 HCP 3♣ 3♦ : nat inv, 3♥ : nat inv 3♠ unspecified singleton 3NT/4♣/♦ void splinters	After overcall : 2NT inv+ raise Fit showing jumps, splinter	Drury Fit showing jumps
1♠		5	7♥	10-21 HCP	Same as above. 3♥ : natural inv	Same as above	Same as above
1NT			7♥	15-17 HCP bal or semi-bal 5M or 6m possible	2♣ Stayman, 4-way Transfers 3♦/♥ Strong 1-suiter in ♥/♠ 3♠ : both minors bal 13+ 3♣ : Puppet Stayman	After overcall : Rubensohl	
2♣	x	0	4♥	GF any hand	2♦ waiting, or 2x = 6+x with HH OR 5+x, 5+ other with at least 1 Top Honor in each suit	2♣ 2♦ 3♥/♠=6+♣ and 4♥/♠ 2♣ 2♦ 3NT 6+♦ and 4♥ 2♣ 2♦ 4♣ 6+♦ and 4♠	
2♦	x	0	4♥	8-9 playing tricks or 22-23 bal	2♥	2♦ 2♥ 3NT long minor and stoppers 2♦ 2♥ 4♣ shows both majors over which 4♦ sets ♥ and 4♥ sets ♠	
2♥	x	6		Weak 2	New suit F1, 2NT ask	2♥ 2NT 3x values in x, 4x splinter	
2♠		6		Weak 2	New suit F1, 2NT ask	2♠ 2NT 3x values in x, 4x splinter	
2NT			7♥	20-21 bal or semi bal	Stayman, Transfers		
3♣/♦		6		PRE, aggressive NV/V	Natural		
3♥/♠		6		PRE, aggressive NV/V	Natural		
3NT	x			Solid minor no Ace or King aside	4♣ P/C, 4♦ ask, 4♥/♠ to play		Can be stronger in 3 <sup>rd</sup> seat
4♣/♦		7		PRE			
4♥/♠		7		PRE			
4NT	x			Both minors according to vul			
5♣/♦		7					

### HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

RKCB 5 key cards 3041, 5♠ 2 + Q of Trump, 5NT 2 key cards and a void, 6x : 1 or 3 key card and a void

4♠ RKC when Heart is trump, 4♦ RKC in Club in some specified situations

