

DEFENSE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING	LEADS AND SIGNALS			GENERAL INFORMATION	
OVERCALLS (Style, Responses, reopening)	OPENING LEAD STYLE			Precision	2019
Weak overcalls are possible if the suit quality(length) is adequate. Rubens Transfer at 1lvl Transfer after 1M-(X), (1x) – 1M – (X)	3 rd / 5 th vs. suit and in partner's suit 2 nd / 4 th vs. NT , high from xxx vs NT Subseq.: count (original length); 2 nd / 4 th through declarer			 Lauritz Streck NBO: GER - GER Florian Alter DBV: 40759 - 38942 <i>U26 Junior Team</i>	
1NT Overcall (also in sandwich position)	LEADS				
	Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT		
15-18, may be creative, system on Reopen: 11-14, system on	A	AK..., A...	Top of (inner-)sequence. Second highest of sequence asks for unblock.		
	K	KQ..., AK... sec or short			
	Q	QJ..., AQJ..., AQ10...			
	J	JT..., (A)/K/JT...			
JUMP OVERCALLS	10	109..., (A)/K/Q+109...		SYSTEM SUMMARY (Category: BLUE)	
Suits: Preemptive 2NT: two lowest unbid suits 3♣ (3♦ after 1♦): two highest unbid suits					
(JUMP) CUEBIDS					
1x-2x: highest and lowest unbid suit	Other	High from any doubleton. 9 from 98x.	High from 10x or better, low from 9x or worse. High from three small cards.		
AGAINST YOUR NT	SIGNALS AND PRIORITY			We upgrade and downgrade frequently using the <u>Kaplan&Rubens</u> count as guideline 1♣: 15+ unbalanced & 17+ balanced With 15HCP we are allowed to go either way. Very strong 14HCP are permissible. 1♦: 10-15, 0+♦; any hand that does not fit elsewhere 1♥/♠: 10-15 with 5+suit; weaker hands allowed if unbal. 1NT: 14-16 5M, (6M), 6m, (7m), single honor, 5-4 allowed We are allowed to judge ANY hand into or out of 1NT if we feel it's right based on general strength, location of honors or tactical reasons. 2♣: 9-14, natural 6+suit; 5c Major possible 2♦: 9-14, natural 6+suit; usually no 4c Major 2♥/♠: standard preempt, usually 6cards; constructive vul. 2NT: both minors, variable strength 3NT: solid Major (at least AKQ), side values possible	
X: Points, next X is T/O [direct seat] 2♣: both Majors, 2♦ asks for the better [direct seat] 2♦: one Major [direct seat] 2M: 5M+4m [direct seat] DONT [passout seat]	We use UDCA and standard suit preference signals. Low = even and encouraging. On our lead , if possible, we give an attitude signal if sensible. If not, we give a suit preference signal. 5lvl+: K asks count. On opponents lead we usually give count signals. 1 st discards: Direct [Suit], Lavinthal [NT]				
AGAINST PREEMPTS	We use the remaining spot cards to show suit preference. We show the original count. Plays in the trump suit are typically meaningless.				
T/O doubles up to 4H; Transfer-Lebensohl Leaping and non-leaping Michaels					
AGAINST ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS					
vs. strong club: Crash (CRO), rest natural vs polish club and variants: natural					
AGAINST OPPONENTS TAKE OUT DOUBLES	DOUBLES				
	T/O doubles may be aggressive with classic shape. Competitive doubles are T/O oriented.				
	Snap-dragon double, Support doubles, Lead directing doubles, Business redoubles whenever sensible X vs 7NT asks partner to lead the 2 nd most attractive suit				

OPE-	ART	# OF	NEG	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND
NING		CDS	DBL				
1♣	X	0	4♥	15+ unbalanced 17+ balanced Upgrades possible, but at least 14HCP.	1♦: 0-8 any 1♥,2♣: Transfer, GF, 5+suit 1♠: (a) 9-12 bal. (b) 5+♣, GF 1NT: 13+bal. 2♦: Transfer, GF, usually exactly 5♥ 2♥: GF, 6+♥	1M 4+ forcing; 1NT 17-19; 2♣ 20-21bal. or natural; 2♦ natural NF; 2♥ 24+bal. or GF minor Accepting the transfer typically shows fit, but may be a hand that does not want to take the NT. 1NT relay, then: 2♣ 9-10 bal., 2♦ clubs, 2♥+ 11-12 bal. + scheme; other bids natural 2♣ relay, then: 2♦ 15+bal., 2♥+ 13-14 bal. + scheme 2♥: Likely fit, but not necessarily, then: 2♠ default rebid Natural	Slightly less strength needed for positive response.
1♦	X	0	4♥	10-15, no 5cM, not 6♣, 6♦ only if 4cM	1♥/♠: nat 4+, may be weak; 1/2/3NT: nat 2♣: GF, nat or bal., 2♦: 5+GF 2♥/♠: weak; 3♣/♦: invit.	Two-way checkback 1♦-1♠-2♣: 8+ minor cards, 4+♣, unbalanced 1♦-1♠-2♥: 2-3♠,4♥,5 cards in one minor	
1♥ 1♠		5	4♦	10-15, 5+suit Weaker, distributional hands possible. Weak 10 may be passed.	1♠: nat 4+; 1NT: constructive NF 2♣: any GF 1♠-2♦: 5+♥, at least invit. 2M-1: Invitational with fit or 5+♦ GF 2NT: minisplinter; 3m: invitational 3M preemptive; 3NT, 4M: to play	Natural, Two-way checkback 2♦: default rebid, then 2♥: default no fit, 2♠: fit 2M: 6+; 2NT: natural, stoppers; 3m: 55 2♥/♠: NF, 3♣: default positive Next suit above 2M: default positive 1M - 2NT - 3♣: Asks shortness, then down the line	Drury, 2lvl natural NF
1NT	see front		3♠	14 -16 bal., 5M, 6m, 5-4, up/down-grade possible	2♣: Stayman; 2♦/♥: transfer; 2♠/3♣: trf, (or inv) 2NT: Transfer Puppet, 3♥/♠: Splinter 4♣/♦: transfer to 4♥/♠	1NT-2♣-2♦-2♥: weak, both M 1NT-2♦/♥- 2NT: default super-accept 1NT-2NT-3♣: waiting	
2♣		6+		9-14(15), 6+♣ possible	2♦: Inquiry, 2M: nat, forcing; 2NT: invit	2♣-2♦-2♥: Default max or min with 4+♦ 2♣-2♦-2♠: 4c Major	Could be 5cards
2♦		6+		9-14(15), 6+♦	3♣: Inquiry, 2M: nat, forcing; 2NT: invit	After 2♦-3♣: 3♦ min, 3♥ max, 3♠ max and values here	Could be 5cards
2♥		6/5		5-9, 6(5)♥, W2	2NT: Ogust		More flexible
2♠		6/5		5-9, 6(5)♠, W2	2NT: Ogust		More flexible
2NT	X			both minors, at least 5-5	3♣/♦: to play; 3♥/♠ positive for corresponding m		
3♣		6		preemptive	3♦: RKCB	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING strength bidding below RKCB - from both sides: (i) 3NT: natural (ii) 1st free step: slam interest, (iii) higher free bids: shortness and slam-interest Kickback RKCB 41/30, then Spiral Scan 5NT: pick a slam / interest in playing in a different strain 6 trumpsuit -1: grand-slam invitation	
3♦		6		preemptive	4♣: RKCB		
3♥		6		preemptive	4♠: RKCB		
3♠		6		preemptive	4♦: RKCB		
3NT	X			Solid Major (AKQ+), variable strength	4♣: transfer your suit; 4♦: bid your suit; 4M: to play		
4♣		7		preemptive	4♦: slam-try		
4♦		7		preemptive	5♣: slam-try		
4M		6		to play			