#### DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

OVERCALLS (Style: Responses: 1/2 Level; Reopening)

Aggressive at 1 level, 2m sound.

New suit forcing except 2/1.

Where new suit NF then cue may be any FG.

2N is forcing when no cue bid available.

Protective 2m reopening similar values to overcall.

# 1NT OVERCALL (2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Live; Responses; Reopening)

<u>Direct</u> 15-18, system ON, transfer to their M=shortage 3-suiter.

Protective 11-14 (minor), responses as direct. 11-16 (major), 2♣ range asking Stayman. 2N=19-21, responses as direct.

## JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

Weak, but tactical opposite passed partner.

2N=game try, cue bid=FG raise, jump new suit=fit jump below game.

Reopening Jump=intermediate.

# DIRECT & JUMP CUE BIDS (Style Response; Reopening)

1m-2m=both Majors (2N=Game Try+, Cue=FG in a Major)

1m-2N=other minor and ♥

1M-2M=other Major and a minor

1M-2N=both minors

1m-3m=asks for stop unless 1m=<3 then natural weak

Jump Cue asks for stop (or FG 2 suiter v weak 2)
Double Jump Cue=Strong 4M overcall

# VS. NT (vs. Strong/Weak; Reopening; PH)

Double=Penalty then first Double=take-out Double(PH)=4M5+m

2 = Majors (2 = Relay)

2•=1 Major (2M=p/c, 2N=Relay)

2M=5+M 4+m (2N=Relay, 3♣=P/C)

2N=minors or FG 2 suiter

# VS. PRE-EMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT Bids)

4♣/4◆ over 2M/3M=2 suited with OM, NF 4♣ over 2/3◆=♣ and Major, NF

(3m)-4m=Majors, NF

### VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OENINGS 1♣ or 2♣

Double=Majors (1◆=Relay)

After negative 1 Double Majors

1N=minors: 2L=suit or suit above (2N=Relay)

LEADS AND SIGNALS				
OPENING LEA	OPENING LEADS STYLE			
	Lead	In Partner's Suit		
Suit	Lowest from even			
	Highest from odd (highest affordable)			
NT	Attitude leads			
Subsequent Attitude, may be 3/5 if honour position				
known				

Other: King for count or unblock in NT contracts. **5L+:** K from AK asking for count, A denies the K.

#### LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
		Asks for attitude
		Asks for unbl./count
Queen		Asks for attitude
Jack	J10(+)KJ10 AJ10 Jx	J10(+) KJ10/AJ10
10	109(+)H109 10x	109(+) H109 10x
9	9x H98(+)	9x H98(+)
Hi-X	Usually odd	Usually odd
Lo-X	Usually even	Usually even

We revert to standard after opening lead, low usually promises an honour

# SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

		Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
	1	Standard Att	Standard Count	High-ENC
	Suit 2	Standard Count		Low-DISC
	3	Standard SP		
		Standard Att	O C ( C	Hi-Lo even when useful
NT 2 Count on K		Count on K		
	3			

### Signals (including Trumps)

# Signal often depends on what is in dummy.

Suit preference in trumps.

#### **DOUBLES**

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

May not have the other minor if we double 1m Equal level conversion applies

# SPECIAL ARTIFICIAL & COMPETITIVE Doubles/Redoubles

Game try if no space at 3 level after we have raised our suit

Double=next suit up after 1♦ or 1♥ overcall

## OVER OPPONENT'S TAKEOUT DOUBLE

Pass may be traditional Redouble by unpassed hand Redouble=next suit up

Transfers from suit above, 1N=Natural, Raise=weak

#### WBF CONVENTION CARD

CATEGORY: GREEN NCBO: ENGLAND

PLAYERS: ANDREW BLACK - DAVID GOLD

SYSTEM SUMMARY

#### GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

5 Card Majors, possibly 4 cards in third but rare.

|1N=(14)15-17| may contain 5M/6m.

1 + = 2 + 4, could have 5.

1**♦**=5**+♦** OR 4441 <18

#### SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENSE

# Responses to our opening bids

Transfer responses-1 (1 ←= trsf to 1N)

1♣-1N=mild INV

1**♣-**2**♣=**5**+**♦ FG

1♣-2♦/M=invitational

1M-2♣=3M INV or 2+♣ FG

1M-3♣=6-11 4+M

### 2 Level Openings

2•=natural weak two (NV 1st/2nd: bad 2M) 2M=natural weak two (NV 1st/2nd: const 2M)

# 3 Level Openings

3N=Gambling

# Competition

After opponent's Double pass may be 11+ balanced Artificial Redouble, e.g. 1\(\Phi\)-(Double)-Redouble=\(\Phi\)

Many transfers in Competition

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

IMPORTANT NOTES

Opening	Artificial	Min no:	Negative	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT ACTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
14		2	7♥	10-22 2+ <b>*</b> ,could have 5 <b>•</b> 11-14 maybe 5 <b>•</b> 18-19 denies 5 <b>•</b>	1◆=4+♥, 1♥=4+♠, 1♠=trsf to 1N, 1N=mild INV, 2♣=5+◆ FG, 2◆/2M=nat INV, 2N=nat INV no 4M, 3L=weak	1-1R-complete=10-13 2/3 cards 1-1R-1N=18-19 balanced 1-1R-2N=16+ 4+ card support	
1◆		4	7♥	10-22 5+• or 4441 (Could be 5•332 min with strong diamonds)	1M=4+, 1N=5-11 4+♣, 2♣=natural FG, 2◆=Inverted F3◆, 2M=nat INV, 2N=nat INV, 3♣=INV 3◆=mixed, 3M=splinter	1 → 1 M - 1 N = 1 4 + 1 → 1 M - 2 m = 10 - 1 4 1 → - 1 ♠ - 2 ▼ = 14 - 16 1444/0454 1 → - 1 M - 2 N = 16 + with 4 + support	
1♥		5 (4)	7•	10-22 5+♥ Rarely 4 cards 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1N=5-11, 2♣=3♥ INV or 2+♣ FG, 2♠=FG 5+♠, 2♠=6♠ INV, 2N=4+♥ FG, 3♠=4+♥ 6- 11, 3♠=nat INV, 3♥=weak, 3♠=any singleton, 3N(♠)/4m=void	1♥-1♠-1N=15+ 1♥-1♠-2m=10-14 1♥-1♠-2N=16+ with 4+ support Transfer continuations after 1♥-1N.	2♣=Drury: good raise 3♥ 2♠=Drury: good raise 4♥ 2N=4+♥ any singleton jump new suit=fit
14		5 (4)	7♥	10-22 5+♠ Rarely 4 cards 3 <sup>rd</sup>	1N=5-12 NF, 2♣=3♠ INV or 2+♣ FG, 2◆=FG 5+♠, 2♥=FG 5+♥, 2N=4+♠ FG, 3♣=4+♠ 6-11, 3♠/3♥=Invite, 3♠=weak 3N=any singleton, 4L=void	Transfer continuations after 1♠-1N.	2♣=Drury: good raise 3♠ 2♠=Drury: good raise 4♠ 2N=4+♠ any singleton jump new suit=fit
INT			44	(14)15-17 5M/6m optional	2♣=Stayman, 2♦/2♥=Transfers, 2♠=range ask or ♣, 2N=♦, 3♣=short ♦, 3♦=short ♥, 3♥=short ♠(44MM), 4m=Texas	Smolen: 1N-2♣-2◆-3M=4M5OM FG Retransfers after major suit transfer: 1N-2◆-2♥-2♠=Artificial invite 1N-2◆-2♥→transfers 1N-2♥-2♠→transfers	
2♣	Yes	0		FG	2◆=Waiting or negative, 2M=nat positive, 2N/3♣=transfers positive, 3◆=5-5 minors FG		
2•	Yes	0		Natural weak 5+•  NV 1st/2nd: Bad weak 2M  (2•/2M reversed in 4th)	2M=F1, 2N=enquiry, 3♣=NF  (After Bad W2M) 2♥=p/c, 2♠=p/c (INV ♥), 2N=Relay, 3m=NF, 3M=p/c, 4♣=transfer to your suit, 4♦=nat forcing, 4M=natural	(After Bad W2M) 2 → 2N 3 → = ▼ not Max, 3 → = ↑ not Max, 3 ▼ = ↑ Max, 3 ↑ = 6 ▼ Max, 3N = 5 ▼ Max.	
2M		5		Natural weak 5+M  NV 1st/2nd: Constructive weak 2M  (2•/2M reversed in 4th)	2♠=nat forcing, 2N=Relay 3m=nat NF, 2♥-3♠=nat INV, 2♠-3♥=nat forcing.in	2M-2N 3♣=feature or no better bid, 3◆=feature FG, 3M=min, 3OM=nat 6M4OM	
2NT				20-22 balanced (not good 22)	3♣=Stayman, 3♦/3♥=transfers, 3♠=minor suit Stayman, 4L=2 under transfer	Smolen, complete transfer shows fit	
3X		6		Pre-emptive (can be very weak in $1^{st}$ and $2^{nd}$ NV)	3L response is F1 (NF after partner's first in hand fav opening)  4♣=artificial slam try (4◆ over 3♣)	3M-4◆=choice of Major suit game	New suit has fit for opener
3NT	yes			Gambling	4♣ pass correct, 4♦=asks for shortage (4N=no), 4M=to play, 4N=INV looking for extra card, 5m=p/c.		
4X		7		Natural	4♣-4◆=kickback, 4X-4N=RKC	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING Kickback (1/4, 0/3, 2noQ, 2+Q, 2+void, 1+void)	
4NT 5m		7		Specific Ace ask Usually sound 1st/2nd	5♣=no ace, 5N=2 aces	Step Q ask, next step specific K ask.  D0P1 and R0P1 over intervention.	