WBF Convention Card 2.19

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DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Light wide-range (about 6-16 hcpts) overcalls at 1-level

10+ hcpts at 2-level

Re-openeing: good 8+ hcpts

Responses: new suit virtually forcing; cue raises

After (1A)-P-(1B)-2-level suit bid = just a good suit

1NT OVERCALL (2ND/4TH Live; Responses; Reopening)

Direct 1NT = 15+ - 18 hcpts; full system-on

Re-Opening 1NT = 12-14 hcpts; full system-on

Over weak-2: 2NT = 16-18+ hcpts; full 2NT system-on

Over weak-3: 3NT = natural; full 3NT system-on

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suit: Weak (6-10 hcpts) 6+ suit; may be better if vul.

2-Suit: Jumps over weak twos are natural and very strong

Responses: natural; cue = game interest

Reopen: Min 8+ hcpts

DIRECT and JUMP CUE BIDS (Style; Responses; Reopen)

cue = Michaels overcall (both Majors over 1m; O.Major+minor over 1M)

Ranges: 6-10 or 15+ hcpts

jump cue = asks for NT stopper with solid outside suit

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

Over weak 1NT: Hamilton

X = penalty; 2♣=1-suiter; 2♢=Majors; 2M=M+minor; 2NT = minors

Over strong 1MT: DONT

X = 1-suiter; 2♣ = C+higher; 2♢ = D+Major; 2♡=Majors; 2♠ = Spade 1-suiter

All 2-suiters above typically show 54 either way.

VS. PREEMPTS (Doubles; Cue-bids; Jumps; NT bids)

Double = T/O; new suit = natural encouraging

(3m)-4m = 55+Majors, not nec. strong

(4♡)-4NT = T/O for minors; (4♠)-4NT = 2-suited T/O

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Over strong 1♣ : X = 2-suits same rank; 1♢ = 2-suits same color; 1NT = odd-suits

other: weak jumps;

Over strong 2♣ (or other): natural long suit

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

1-level suit: natural (6-9 hcpts); xx = 10+hcpts;

2NT = artificial limit raise or better in partner's suit

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
Suit	4th best; MUD; overlead hons	same
NT	same	same
Subseq	low card shows hon.	same

Other: Honour lead shows 0 or 2 higher

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
Ace	Asks for attitude at 5+level	same
King	Asks for count at 5+level	same
Queen	Overlead; shows 0 or 2 higher	same
Jack	as above	same
10	as above	same
9	Possible doubleton	same
Hi-x	2 or 4 + card suit	same
Lo-x	Possible MUD	same

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partners Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
Suit:1st	reverse attitude	reverse count	odd-even
2nd	natural present count	suit preference	reverse count
3rd			
NT: 1st	as above	as above	as above
2nd			
3rd			

Signals (including Trumps): Suit-preference overtones in trump suit

Also in Declarer's 1st NT suit

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

T/O doubles at 1/2-level are Major oriented

After interference of our 1NT: 1st two doubles = T/O; 3rd double = penalty

Double of P/C bid = take-out of suit bid

T/O and responsive doubles to 4H

SPECIAL, ARTIFICIAL AND COMPETITIVE DOUBLES/REDOUBLES

Double by partner of pre-empt = penalty

After 2♢-(x): xx = bid 2♡ and Pass next bid

Support x's and xx's (but not over 1NT overcall)

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Standard 2-over-1 with 5-card Majors; 15-17 NT with 5-Major Stayman

Forcing 1NT, Bergen-style jumps and Jacoby 2NT over 1Major

Inverted minor raises and weak 2-level jumps over 1-minor

Blackout after opener's reverse

Relays after GF 2♣ opening

1NT Openings: 15-17 (may contain 5-card Major)

2 OVER 1 Responses: Natural 4+ suit (5+Hearts over 1♠); GF

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

2♢ = Multi weak-2 in Major or bal. 20-22

2NT = 6-10 hcpts; 55+ minors

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

Psychics: Sometimes

OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS

Opening	Artificial	Min.	Neg Dble thr	Description	Responses	Subsequent Auction	Passed Hand Bidding
1♣		11+ hcpts	4♡	Better minor; 3+Clubs	inverted minor raises; weak 2-level jumps	Note 1.	Basically same
1◊		11+ hcpts	4♡	Better minor; 1◊ with 44-minors	as above	Note 1.	as above
1♡		11+ hcpts	4◊	Natural 5+ suit	Forcing 1NT; Bergen-style jumps; 2-over-1 GF	Note 2.	two-way Drury (2♣ = 2/3; 2◊ = 4-card fit)
1♠		11+ hcpts	4♡	Natural 5+suit	as above	Note 2.	as above
1NT		15-17 hcpts	4♡	May contain 5-Major	5-Major Stayman; Jacoby/ Texas transfers	Note 3.	same
2♣	art	20+hcpts	4♡	Basically any GF hand	2◊=5-8; 2♡ =0-4; 2♠ =9+; other = 9+ special	Note 4.	Basically same
2◊	art	6-10 hcpts	2♠	Weak-2 Major or 20-22 Bal.	2/3-Major = P/C; 2NT = strong eqnuiry	After 2NT: 3♣/◊ = min H/S; 3♡/♠ = max H/S	Basically same
2♡		6-10 hcpts	3◊	5-Hearts and 4+ minor	2NT = Enquiry for minor (no values promised)	2NT then 3♡ = invitation to 4♡	Basically same
2♠		6-10 hcpts	3◊	5-Spades and 4+minor	as above	2NT then 3♠ = invitation to 4♠	Basically same
2NT	art	6-10 hcpts	2NT	55+ both minors	3m = sign-off; 4m = pre-emptive; 3M = nat. forcing	After 3M: Opener bids 3NT with shortage	All bids natural NF
3♣		6-10 hcpts		Natural 6+ suit	New suit forcing; 4♣ = per-emptive	Art. Step responses after new suit	
3◊		6-10 hcpts		as above	as above	as above	
3♡		6-10 hcpts		as above (usually 7-card suit)	as above	as above	
3♠		6-10 hcpts		as above	as above	as above	
3NT	art	6-10 hcpts	4◊	Long minor suit pre-empt	4/5-♣/◊ = P/C; 4M = to play	natural	
4♣	art	11-15 hcpts		Strong 4♡ bid (Namyats)	4◊ = art. strong enquiry; 4♡ = to play	After 4◊: 4♡ = min (8 PTs); other =max+ outside card	
4◊	art	11-15 hcpts		Strong 4♠ bid (Namyats)	4♡ = art. strong enquiry; 4♠ = to play	After 4♡: 4♠ = min (8 PTs); other = max+outside card	
4♡		6-10 hcpts		Weak 4♡ pre-empt	suit = denial cue; 4NT = KCB		
4♠		6-10 hcpts		Weak 4♠ pre-empt	as above		
4NT	art	11+hcpts		Strong 55+ minors	5/6m to play; 5-Major = denial cue	Opener bids 6♣ w/o Major control	
5♣		6-10 hcpts		Long weak pre-empts	New suit = denial cue	as above	
5◊		6-10 hcpts		Long weak pre-empts	New suit = denial cue	as above	
5♡							
5♠							
5NT							

HIGH LEVEL BIDDING

Key-card Blackwood (4NT for Major; 4m for minor)

Cue bids may be second round control (usually 1st round by strong hand)

GSF: 5♡ over minor; 5NT over Major