## DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

1 -level overcall $5+$ and $7-16$ p. New suit NF if it is on the same level ( 2 or higher) as the overcall. (e.g. ( 1 H ) $-2 \mathrm{D}-$ (p) $-2 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{NF}$ while $3 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{F}$.)
2-level overcalls constructive. 2NT = invitational. Cue bid is INV
with support or strong



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|  |  |  |  |  |  | SUBSEQUENT ACTION | COMPETITIVE \＆PASSED HAND BIDDING |
| Pass | X |  | Value showing to 4 S | 8－37，F1，4＋S．Other suits may be longer．Bal or unbal． Points to spades． | $-1 \mathrm{C}=8+,-3 \mathrm{~S}, 4+\mathrm{H} ;-1 \mathrm{D}=0-7 ;-1 \mathrm{H}=13+$ art and $-3-3$ in $\mathrm{M} ;-1 \mathrm{~S}=8-12$ with 3 S ． <br> $-1 \mathrm{NT}=8-12 \mathrm{bal} /$ semibal；$-2 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{D}=8-125+$ nat； <br> $-2 \mathrm{H}=4+\mathrm{S}$ support $\&$ approx $7-11$ or 16 TP ； <br> $2 \mathrm{~S}=4+\mathrm{S}$ approx $12-15,-2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{GF}$ with $4+\mathrm{S}$ support | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Canapé principles } \\ & \text { p-1C-1D }=13+\text { art } \\ & \text { p-1D-1S }=19+\text { art } \\ & \text { p-1H-1S }=G F, \text { art } \\ & \text { p-1S-2C }=\text { art, inv }+; \text { p-1S-2D }=5+\mathrm{H}, \text { inv }+ \end{aligned}$ | D is normally value showing （12＋）and not distributional in character．Suit bids on lowest level are not forcing unless artificial |
| $1 \%$ | X | 0 | Value showing to 4 S | 8－37，F1，4＋H，－3S．Longer minor may exist．Bal or unbal． <br> Points to hearts，denies spades． | $-1 \mathrm{D}=0-7 ;-1 \mathrm{H}=13+$ art $;-1 \mathrm{~S}=8-125+\mathrm{S} ;-1 \mathrm{NT}=8-12$ $\mathrm{bal} /$ semibal；$-2 \mathrm{C}=8-12$ some minor；$-2 \mathrm{D}=4+\mathrm{H}$ approx $7-11$ or 16 TP ；$-2 \mathrm{H}=$ approx $12-154+\mathrm{H}$ ； -2 S 8－10 6＋S，nat；$-2 \mathrm{NT}=\mathrm{GF}$ with $4+\mathrm{H}$ support | Canapé principles 1C－1D－1S＝19＋art $1 \mathrm{C}-1 \mathrm{H}-1 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{GF}$ ，art $1 \mathrm{C}-1 \mathrm{~S}-2 \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{D}=$ art，at least inv | As after pass |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & * * * * * \end{aligned}$ | X | 0 | N／A | 0－7 all distributions | $\begin{aligned} & \hline-1 \mathrm{H}=13-184+\mathrm{H} \text { occasionally } 3 \mathrm{H} \\ & -1 \mathrm{~S}=19+\text { art; }-1 \mathrm{NT}=15-18 \text { bal/semibal; }- \\ & \text { higher=can vary from very weak to strong }(-18) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Art after 1D－1S | We bid as if 1D was never bid． I．e．if you bid $1 \mathrm{~S}, \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ ； $2 \mathrm{~S}=$ cuebid with $5-5 \mathrm{H}+$ minor etc |
| $\underset{* * * *}{1 \vee}$ | X | 0 | Value showing to 4 S | 8－37，F1，－3S，－3H．Normally unbal with $5+\mathrm{m}$ ；bal only with 22＋． | $\begin{aligned} & -1 \mathrm{~S}=0-11 \text { or } 16+\mathrm{art} . ;-1 \mathrm{NT}=10-13 \mathrm{bal} / \mathrm{semibal} ; \\ & -2 \mathrm{C}=12-15 \text { art } ;-2 \mathrm{D}=12 \mathrm{tp}+6+\mathrm{M} \end{aligned}$ | Rebids in majors by opener normally shows strong hand and 3 cards in bid suit | As after pass |
| $1 \uparrow$ | X | 2 | Value showing | $8-12$ bal，－3S，-3 H .54 m or 6 m possible． | $-1 \mathrm{NT}=$ to play．Other responses $=$ see 1 NT. | See 1NT | $\begin{aligned} & 1 S-(D)-\text { pass }=5+S . \\ & \text { See } 1 N T . \end{aligned}$ |
| 1NT |  |  | Value showing | 13－18 bal，－3S，－3H． 54 m or 6 m possible． | $-2 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{inv}+,-2 \mathrm{D}=\mathrm{inv}$ of some sort；$-2 \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}=$ to play； $3 C / D=$ to play | After 1NT－2C：2D＝min，2H／S＝medium \＆ 3cards，2NT＝max，GF． <br> After 1NT－2D：opener bids 2 M as pass or correct，higher＝GF | D＝T／O．2NT Lebensohl． |
| 2＊ |  | 4 | No | 8－11 4＋C and 5＋M | $\begin{aligned} & -2 \mathrm{D}=\text { inv+ } \text {, asks for } \mathrm{M} ;-2 \mathrm{H} / \mathrm{S}=\text { pass or correct; }- \\ & 2 \mathrm{NT}=\text { inv+ asks for } \mathrm{M} .4 \mathrm{C}=\text { pls transfer to your } \mathrm{M} . \end{aligned}$ | Some asking sequences after－2NT | D of M is＂pass or correct＂ |
| 2 |  | 4 | No | 8－11 4＋D and 5＋M | As 2C | ＝＂$=$ | D of M is＂pass or correct＂ |
| 2v |  | 4 | No | 8－11 4＋H and 5＋S． | 2NT＝inv＋asks for additional info | ＝＂$=$ |  |
| $2 \boldsymbol{A}$ | X | 0 | No | 11－14 5＋C and 5＋D <br> Points to minors | 2NT＝inv＋asks for additional info | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \mathrm{~S}-2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{min} ; 2 \mathrm{~S}-2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \mathrm{D}=\text { additional } \\ & \text { values; } 2 \mathrm{~S}-2 \mathrm{NT}-3 \mathrm{M}=\text { void } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| 2NT |  |  | No | 19－21 same distr as 1NT | －3C／D＝nat GF，$-3 \mathrm{H}=5+\mathrm{S}$ GF；$-3 \mathrm{~S}=5+\mathrm{H}$ GF |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 3 \star, 3 \star \\ & 3 \bullet, 3 \boldsymbol{\wedge} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 6 | No | Rule of 1－2－3．Constructive in $2^{\text {nd }}$ hand；freer in $1^{\text {st }}$ | New suit forcing | 3NT rebid shows max singleton in responders suit |  |
| 3NT | X |  | No | Solid M，some side strength possible |  |  |  |
| 4＊，4＊ |  | 7 | No | Rule of 1－2－3，see 3C／D／H／S | New suit forcing |  |  |
| 4•4＾ |  | 7 | No | Rule of 1－2－3，see 3C／D／H／S | ＂Denial cuebids＂ |  |  |
| 4NT |  |  |  | Asks for specific aces |  |  |  |

