



WBF Convention Card

System	RED
Conventions:	
NCBO:	POLAND
Event:	All
Players:	Mirosław CICHOCKI-Krzysztof PIKUS

SYSTEM SUMMARY

GENERAL APPROACH AND STYLE

Multi-way 1♠: 11-14 BAL, 19+ any or NAT UNBAL
 5-M and diamonds (except unbalanced w/ 4♦);
 Artificial 2 weak openings (including two-suiters);
 Many jump responses ART; 1M RESP may be canape (WK)
 Frequent use of NON-PEN DBL and ART 2NT in COMP

1NT Openings: 14(+)-17 HCP

2 OVER 1 Responses: F1

SPECIAL BIDS THAT MAY REQUIRE DEFENCE

1♠-multi-way and
 responses: 1♦-0-6 any or 7-11 UNBAL minors
 1M - 4+♥/♠ 7+ HCP may be WK canape

2♦ minimulti (weak 2M)

2♥ (♥-m) = weak 5-4

2♠ (♠-m) = weak 5-4

2NT (♣-♦) = weak 5-5

2-Suited at level 4 against weak 2 level op.

2-Suited 1NT overcall 1♦/♥/♠ op.)

GAMBLING 3NT

2♣-2NT multi-way response (may be WK w/ fit)

Michaels, Lebensohl

TRFs in competitive bidding

SPECIAL FORCING PASS SEQUENCES

In obvious situations

IMPORTANT NOTES THAT DON'T FIT ELSEWHERE

1♠-PASS-3♠-TRF for 3 NT

Against NAT 1♦ overcall-2♥/♠ = S/O

Psychics: Rare

3rd hand openings may be weaker, sometimes 4-card suit

DEFENSIVE AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

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

Natural 6-15, seldom 4-card, Drury promises fit (ex.: 1♣ op.),

1-level: new suit = F1, 2-level: new suit = NF, new suit jump: w/FIT

Responses: PRE raises, high CUE & jump to 2NT=SUPP, INV+

In Bal Position: Jump INTERM

Reopening: may be weaker-CUE forcing

T/O DBL: 12+

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

Over 1♠: meaning and resp. same as 1NT op. (ex: DBL pos)

4th live: meaning and resp same as 1NT op. (ex: DBL pos)

Against NAT 1♦/♥/♠ 5+om -4OM

4th Position: 11-14, doesn't promise stopper

JUMP OVERCALLS (Style; Responses; Unusual NT)

1-Suited: PRE but Sound, almost always 6 cards,

2-Suited: Michaels, 2NT - minors, 4-level bids-STR

Responses: 2NT over Michaels = ASK

Reopen: 2NT 19-21, others INTERM

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

(1♠)-2♣ NAT; (1M)-2M: OM+m (55+); (1M)-2NT: 5♦-5♣

1♠/♦-2♦: 5♥-5♠; 1♦-2NT: 5♥-5♣

2NT ASK, other BID=NAT/NF;

jump cue bid - solid suit

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

DBL - 4+♠-4+other, 2♣: 4+♥-4+ m or 5+♥-5+♠ weak

2♦/♥/♠: TRF's (2♠-for any minor - good hand)

Reopening: DBL 9+HCP,

2♣-4+-4+ w/o ♠; 2♦-4+♥-5+♠ (♠ are longer)

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

LEAPING MICHAELS

LEBENSOHL over T/O DBL of 2 openings.

Jumps NAT CONST

VS. ARTIFICIAL STRONG OPENINGS

Pass might be strong

1/2 NT 2-Suited

light overcall;

OVER OPPONENTS' TAKE OUT DOUBLE

RDBL 10+ HCP, PEN oriented

A jump to 2NT = limit raise of opener's suit

1M - DBL - jump is NAT w/fit, 1M -DBL - 1/2NT 7-9/10+ w/ fit

1♦ - DBL - 2M is natural w/ fit ♦, NF

LEADS AND SIGNALS

OPENING LEADS STYLE

	Lead	In Partner's Suit
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Suit 2nd/4th 2nd/4th

NT 2nd/4th; 2nd/4th

Subseq STND, UB STND

Other: RNOW against small slam;

LEADS

Lead	Vs. Suit	Vs. NT
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Ace AKx(+), Ax(+), AK(+)

King AK; KQ(+); Kx AK; KQ(+); AKJ10(+); Kx

Queen (A)QJ(+); Qx (A)QJ(+); KQ10(9)+; Qx

Jack (A/K)J10(+); Jx (A/K)J10(+);

10 109xx; H109(+); H10x 109xx; H109(+); H10x

9 109x; 109xxx; H9x 109X; 109xxx; H9x

Hi-x HSx; xSx(+) HSx; xSx(+)

Lo-x HxxS(+), xS HxxS(+); xS

SIGNALS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY

	Partner's Lead	Declarer's Lead	Discarding
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1st Lo = ENCRG Lavinthal Lavinthal

Suit 2nd Lo = EVEN Lo = EVEN Lo = EVEN

3rd Lavinthal

1st Lo = ENCRG Lo = EVEN, Lavinthal

NT 2nd Lo = EVEN SMITH Lo = EVEN

3rd Lavinthal Lavinthal

Signals (including Trumps): REVERSE SIGNALS;

THREE-WAY SIGNAL; SMITH SIGNAL; LAVINTHAL SIGNAL

DOUBLES

TAKEOUT DOUBLES (Style; Responses; Reopening)

12+ HCP emphasize major(s), minors unclear; 16+ any

Over 1♠ op. 1♦ RESP. - NEG

SPECIAL; ARTIFICIAL; COMPETITIVE DUBLES/REDOUBLES

Negative DBL's

Maximum overcall DBL's

Lightner DBL's

Responsive DBL's Invitational DBL's

Fit DBL's and RDBL's, TRF's DBL

Reopening is almost mandatory with the right distribution

RDBL - usually strong except in obvious SOS situations

2♦-x -xx = ASK

OPENING	TICK IF ARTIFICIAL	MIN. N° OF CARDS	NEG. DBL THRU	OPENING BID DESCRIPTIONS			
				DESCRIPTION	RESPONSES	SUBSEQUENT AUCTION	PASSED HAND BIDDING
1♣	√	0	4♥	11–14 BAL or 18+ BAL or 15–18 NAT or 19+ any	1♦ 0–6 any or 7–11 minor(s); 1/2/3 NT LIMIT; 2♣/♦/♥/♠ FG; 3♣/♦ 9–11 6+ NAT; 3♥/♠ TRF to 3 NT 1♥/♠ 7+ NAT F1, possible 4M/5+m w/ WK (if 7–12); 2♣ is possible w/ 3♣	1♣–1♦–1♥/♠ 3+; 1♣–1♥/♠–2♦ ASK; 1♣–1♥/♠–2♣ F1 15+ 1♣–1♥/♠–2♦–ART RESP; 1♣–1♥/♠–1♠/NT–2♣ ASK 1♣–1♦–1NT=18–21 BAL/2♦=FG/2NT=21–24 BAL/2M/3m= STR NF; 1♣–1♦–1♥–2♠ 13(54) 9–11	Mostly same
1♦		4	4♥	10(+)-18 5+♦ or 4♦(441) or 10–14 4♦–5♣	2♦ 10+ w/o 4M; 2♥/♠ = 4+♥–5+♠ 6–9/10–11; 3♣FG; 1♥/♠ NAT F1, possible 4M/5+m w/ WK (7–12); 2♣ F1	1♦–2♦–2♥/♠–stoppers; 1♦–2♣–2/3NT = 4441 WK/STR 1♦–1♥/♠–NT–2♣ ASK; 1♦–1♥/♠–2NT w/o fit 3, 3♦ w/ fit 3	2♥/♠/3♣ NAT w/ fit♦
1♥		5	4♦	10(+)-18, 5+♥	2♣–semi NAT; 2NT INV+ w/fit; 3♣/♦ NAT with fit; 3♠–any singleton, 3NT/4♣/♦–void 4♠/♣/♦; 3♥ weak;	1♥–2♣/♦–2♦/♥–2NT/3♥= ASK/STR, 1♥–2♣–2♦–4♦ = fit & S/S ♥, 1♥–DBL–2♠ = any S/S	2♣–Drury
1♠		5	4♦	10(+)-18; 5+♠	2♣–semi NAT; 2NT INV+ w/fit; 3♣/♦ NAT with fit; 3NT–any singleton, 4♣/♦/♥–void NAT; 3♠ weak	1♠–2♣/♦/♥–2♦/♥/♠–2NT/3♠–ASK/STR, 1♠–2♥–3♥ WK 1♠–2♣–2♦–4♦ fit & S/S ♠	2♣–Drury
1NT			3♠	15(14+)-17 BAL (6m, 5M, 54 possible)	NF STAY, JTB, 2♠ = INV BAL or TRF for ♣; 2NT tr. for ♦, 3♣/♦ = INV; 3♥/♠ S/S (5m–4m31) 4♣ = 5♥–5♠, 4♦/♥– TRFs	1NT–2♣–2♦–2♥ NF; 1NT–2♣–2♥/♠–3♦/♥–STR w/ FIT. 1NT–2♣–2♥/♠–3♥/♠–INV; 1NT–2♣–2♦–3♦ = ASK	
2♣	√	5	4♥	10(+)-14; 6+ ♣ or 5+ ♣ AND 4M	2♦ (R); 2NT – WK w/ fit or INV 5–5 w/o ♣ or BAL STR 3♣ INV; 3♦/♥/♠ INV; 2♥/♠ NF	2♣–2NT–3♣(obligatory)–3♦/♥/♠ 5–5, 3NT 15–17; 2♣–2M–3♦ INV w/ fit	
2♦	√	0	2♠	5–10; 6+ ♥/♠	2NT – ASK; 3♦–INV; 3♥/♠–weak w/ M's fit; 3♣ NF	2♦–2♠–2NT(♥)–3♣/♠ NAT NF	4 th hand op. NAT 10-13
2♥	√	5	3♦	5–10; 5+♥–4+♣/♦	2NT ASK for m, 3♦–INV; 2♠–to suit, 3♣ NAT NF	2♥–2NT–3♣ – 4♣ STR, 3♥ S/O, 3♠ CUE	As above
2♠	√	5	3♦	5–10; 5+♠–4+♣/♦	2NT ASK for m, 3♦–INV; 3♣/♥ NAT NF	similar as above	As above
2NT	√			5–10; 5+♣–5+♦	3M ASK for a fit; 3/4m NF	2NT–3M–1 st x, 2 nd xx, 3 rd Hx; 4 th xxx, 5 th Hxx 2NT–3M–3♠/NT–4m STR	
3♣				PRE NAT 6+	3♦ ASK for a singleton, 3M ASK for a fit	similar as above ex after 1 st level response 4♣ to pass	
3♦				PRE NAT 6+	4♣ ASK for a singleton, 3M ASK for a fit	similar as above ex after 1 st level response 4♦ to pass	
3♥/♠				PRE NAT 6+	Natural or cue bid	HIGH LEVEL BIDDING	
3NT	√			1st /2nd m w/o stopper 3rd/ 4th to play	4♣ = PASS or correct, 4♦ ASK for a singl.; 4M to play	Splinter bids Cue bid – economic 3NT by opener shows extra values without shortness (w/ M's agreed) 4/5NT RKCB (0–3, 1–4, 2, 2+Q, 2+Q+1K ...) in obvious situations (after CUE, impossible suit agreement directly) After Aces trump Q first Gerber, Josephine	
4♣	√	0		solid ♥, ca 9 playing tricks	4♦–positive		
4♦	√	0		solid ♠, ca 9 playing tricks	4♥–positive		
4♥/♠				PRE NAT 6+			
4NT	√			ASK for specific aces	5NT two		