



Two-suiter overcalls

The various two-suiter overcalls:

- 2NT shows 5-5 in the two lowest ranked suits (after all one level openings)
- 2 diamonds after a one level minor opening shows the 2 major suits 5-5
- a cue bid after a one level major opening shows the other major and clubs 5-5
- 3 clubs after a one level major opening shows the other major and diamonds 5-5

S	W	N	E
			1 ♣
2 NT			



Problem E3790 2NT with a jump = the 2 lowest ranked suits of the remaining 3. This means never ♠, never the opponents' suit.

S	W	N	E
			1 ♣
2 ♦			



Problem E4401 2♦ It's up to the Partner to decide which major he prefers. How many HCP for a Michaels bid? It varies according to the vulnerability. How to decide? The main criteria are the respective strengths of ♥ and ♠.



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Be careful!

- You can only bid these overcalls if you are in the immediate seat after Opener ... not in 4th seat!
- Suit quality and vulnerability are worth considering more carefully than point count.
- High card points should be in your main 2 suits.

S	W	N	E
			1♥
Pass			

Q	7	8	A	8	6	4	3	K	J	6	4	3
♠	♠	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem 4132 If you are red against green You should pass with these 10HCP! The Q of ♣ isn't looking good and you have no intermediary cards in your 2-suiter.

S	W	N	E
			1♣
2 NT			

3	K	J	10	8	4	5	2	A	Q	10	9	3
♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E3790 10HCP but in this case they are all useful! Overcall without hesitation.