



## Opener's rebid after player in 4th seat overcalls

### Opener's rebid after player in 4th seat has overcalled

After an overcall, Opener who has a minimum opening and isn't fitted after his P's responding bid, can pass :  
but Responder can bid again

#### 1) Support fit in Responder's major

- he has a 4 card fit and a minimum opening: support bid at the lowest possible level
- with a 4 card fit a 2nd zone opening : jump raise

#### 2) suit shift shows :

- either a minimum opening with a two-suiter 5-5
- or a strong opening and a two-suiter which might be 5-4.

S	W	N	E
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠
Pass			

4	3	2	A	9	Q	9	8	6	A	K	9	7
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E1002 PASS After an overcall from player in 4th seat, Opener has to pass with a minimum opening.  
This pass shows your P that you have nothing special to bid.

S	W	N	E
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠
3 ♥			

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

Problem E1010 Support fit (by Opener) of Reponder's major at the 3 level isn't forcing. It shows a 2nd zone opening (15-17HCP) and an irregular hand, otherwise he would have opened 1NT



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### 3) A NT rebid

- P has bid
  - 1NT with a robust hand, a 1st zone hand and a stopper in Overcaller's suit
  - 2NT with a 3rd zone hand and a double stopper in Overcaller's suit
- Partner has passed : in this case a rebid of 1NT shows a 3rd zone and a regular hand. Don't take any chances playing 2NT with 18HCP

S	W	N	E
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠
1 NT			

K	J	10	K	4	Q	10	9	A	J	10	7	4
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E1001 With no major fit and stoppers in the overcalled suit try and see if a NT Game is possible.

6	5	3	J	7	6	2	8	6	4	3	J	6
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦

S	W	N	E
1 ♦	Pass	Pass	1 ♠
1 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

A	J	4	K	8	A	5	2	A	Q	9	7	3
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem 9577 1NT - no need to bid any higher to show your 3rd zone and a regular hand. Many players make the error of jump bidding to 2NT.



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### 4) Opener's double after Responder's suit shift and 4th seat Opp's overcall.

shows

- a good opening
- a 3 card fit in Responder's major

5) redouble after Sputnik double by 4th seat Opp has the same meaning 6) Opener's rebid of his opening suit shows

- 6-card suit
- a minimum opening

S	W	N	E
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠	2 ♣
2 ♦			



Problem E1004 After a 2 ♣ overcall a 2 ♦ rebid, shows a strong suit.



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### (7) Other bids

- A cue-bid in the overcalled suit shows a good support fit and a strong opening.
- Redouble shows 3 cards in Responder's major
- After Partner's 2/1 suit shift, Opener's double remains punitive..
- After a redouble bid by the team, all doubles are penalty doubles.

J	9	3	A	7	5	A	Q	9	7	4	3	8
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦

  

S	W	N	E
1 ♦	Pass	2 ♣	2 ♥
4 ♥			

  

Q	5	4	K	J	10	8	2	A	K	J	9	6
♠	♠	♠	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem 9575 A Splinter bid translates into a good opening, a ♣ fit and a short (void or singleton) ♥ suit

S	W	N	E
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠
2 ♠			

  

9	7	4	Q	7	6	4	A	K	10	A	K	Q
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦

Problem E1008 Here Opener's cue-bid shows : a 3rd zone (18-19HCP) or a 4 card fit, or a NT contract to be played from the other hand.