

Cappelletti

Cappelletti Convention Overcalls

Opening Bid	Overcall (CAPP)	Meaning of Overcall	Example (click on the example)
1NT	Double	Balanced hand with 16-18 points.	
	2♣	Promises 1 suited hand. <i>Responder responds with 2D as a relay.</i>	
	2♦	Promises both majors. <i>Responder bids major of preference..</i>	
	2♥	Promises hearts and an unspecified minor. <i>If responder likes hearts he can pass, otherwise bid 2NT to ask partner to bid her minor .</i>	
	2♠	Promises spades and an unspecified minor. <i>If responder likes spades he can pass, otherwise bid 2NT to ask partner to bid her minor .</i>	

Review below table for Bridge7's note for bidding after a double of 1NT Opening:

W	N	E	S
Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1NT	Double	System is on over double of 1NT. Since double does not take any bidding space, it is better to continue using Stayman, Transfer etc.	If responder passes, the system is still on for the advancer. Since "pass" does not take any bidding, use Stayman, Transfer etc.

Continuations After Cappelletti Overcalls

Advancer is the partner of the overcaller.

After Overcaller's Double Bid.

LHO	Overcaller	RHO	Advancer	Advancer's bid Explanations
1 NT	Double	Pass	Pass	If advancer passes that means that advancer wants to switch double to penalty double..
			2♣	Asking partner's 5 cards majors. Responses by overcaller: 2♦ No 5 cards major but I have 4 cards major 2♥ I have 5 hearts 2♠ I have 5 spades 2NT I have neither 5 cards nor 4 cards major
			2♦	Transfer to hearts
			2♥	Transfer to spades

After Overcaller's 2♣ Bid.

LHO	Overcaller	RHO	Advancer	Advancer's bid Explanations
1 NT	2♣	Pass	Pass	Advancer has 6+ clubs and no suitable major.
			2♦	Relay. Asks partner's suit..
			2♥	I have 5+ hearts
			2♠	I have 5+ spades
			2NT	I have a balanced hand..

After Overcaller's 2♦ Bid.

LHO	Overcaller	RHO	Advancer	Advancer's bid Explanations
1 NT	2♦	Pass	Pass	Advancer has 6+ diamonds. Majors are not good ..
			2♥	4 cards hearts. Advancer bids 3♥ with 5+ hearts
			2♠	4 cards spades. Advancer bids 3♠ with 5+ spades
			2NT	No 4 cards major. 1 Round
			2♣	Majors are not good. I have 6+ clubs

After Overcaller's 2♥ Bid.

LHO	Overcaller	RHO	Advancer	Advancer's bid Explanations
1 NT	2♥	Pass	Pass	Advancer likes overcallers 2♥.

			2NT	Show me your minor suit
			3♥	Supporting

After Overcaller's 2♠ Bid.

LHO	Overcaller	RHO	Advancer	Advancer's bid Explanantions
1 NT	2♠	Pass	Pass	Advancer likes overcaller's 2♠.
			2NT	Show me your minor suit
			3♣	Supporting

Here is an example of Cappelletti Convention:

♠A 5 3 2		♠K Q 10 4
♥Q 9 7		♥A 10 8 2
♦7 2		♦K 4 3
♣Q 7 6 4		♣A 10
♠9 8 6	N	
♥K 6 4 3	W	E
♦Q 6	S	
♣J 9 3 2		
♠J 7		
♥J 5		
♦A J 10 9 8 5		
♣K 8 5		

East opens 1NT, South bids 2♣ show his one-suited hand (Overcaller's one suit is diamond here).