

## Recommended defense against 3X Forcing Pass & Hexagon

Pass – Natural or Lionel

1C/1D/1H/1S – Natural

1NT – X to show opening hand, 2C=minors, 2D=majors

2C, 2D, 2H, 2S, 2NT openings

- Overcalls are natural
- Double showing opening bid in the suit opened or 18+ balanced hand
- 2NT for 15-17hcp balanced and certain stopper in suit above opened suit
- Double 2NT with strong NT or strong suit that you can bid next

3C is game force unbalanced hand

- Natural overcall

- Lead directing

3D, 3H are transfer pre-empts

- Cue bid (4D,4H) are natural
- Bid of S after 3D opening is natural
- 3NT to play
- 4NT shows both minors
- Cue bid of higher suit shows 5 card in the other major and 5 card in a minor
- X for 3 way takeout with shortage in higher suit

3NT is minor suit preempt

- 4H or 4S natural
- 4C both majors with preference for H or neutral
- 4D both majors with preference for S

3S (similar to gambling 3NT) shows solid minor suit

- 4C = both majors with preference for H or neutral
- 4D = both majors with preference for S
- 4H or 4S natural
- X for 3 way takeout