

Bridge Rules OK!

Rule of 8.



After a 1NT opening

North	East	South	West
1NT	??		

What should East do?



The Rule of 8 says DON'T OVERCALL!

The Rule of 8

Use after a 1NT opening

IF you hold 6 or more points

Count your losers.

Subtract that from the no. of cards in two longest suits

If answer is 2 or more then compete

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Should East overcall?



No of losers 7
Two longest suits = 8

The Rule of 8 says NO!

It is better to defend

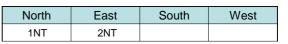
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Why?

It shows that the hand is a good defensive hand.



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1NT	2♠		

Should East overcall?

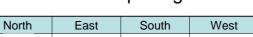


No of losers

Two longest suits = 9

1NT by North -1 2♠ by East =

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1NT	2♥			·
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		3♥ by	East	=

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