

Simplified Parliamentary Procedures Table

Principle rules and orders of precedence governing motions.							
Order	Interrupt	Second	Debate	Amend	Vote	Applies to what other motions?	Can have other motions applied?
Privileged Motions							
1. Adjourn	No	Yes	No	No	Majority	None	None
2. Recess	No	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	Majority	None	Amend ¹
3. Question of privilege	Yes	No	No	No	None	None	None
Subsidiary Motions							
4. Postpone Temporarily	No	Yes	No	No	Majority ²	Main Motion	None
5. Close Debate (Question ³)	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Vote	Debatable Motions	None
6. Limit Debate	No	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	2/3 Vote	Debatable Motions	Amend ¹
7. Postpone Definitely	No	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	Majority	Main Motion	Amend ¹ , close debate, limit debate
8. Refer to committee	No	Yes	Yes ¹	Yes ¹	Majority	Main Motion	Amend ¹ , close debate, limit debate
9. Amend	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Reword Motion or Amendment	Close debate, limit debate
Main Motions							
10a. The Main Motion	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	None	Specific main, subsidiary
10b. Specific Main Motions							
Reconsider	Yes	Yes	Yes ¹	No	Majority	Main Motion	Close debate, limit debate
Rescind	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	Main Motion	Close debate, limit debate
Resume Consideration	No	Yes	No	No	Majority	Main Motion	None
INCIDENTAL MOTIONS							
Motions							
Appeal	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	Decision of Chair	Close debate, limit debate
Suspend Rules	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 Vote	None	None
Consider Informally	No	Yes	No	No	Majority	Main Motion	None
Requests							
Point of Order	Yes	No	No	No	None	Any error	None
Parliamentary Inquiry	Yes	No	No	No	None	All motions	None
Withdraw a Motion	Yes	No	No	No	None	All motions	None
Division of a Question	No	No	No	No	None	Main motion	None
Division of Assembly	Yes	No	No	No	None	Indecisive Vote	None
¹ Restricted ² Requires 2/3 vote when it would suppress a motion without debate. ³ Informal call for "The Question" is a request by one person to end debate. Chair may call for a vote, if he/she is convinced there has been enough debate.							