

Figure 1. Motions in Order of Precedence

Rank	Motion	Mover must be recognized	Must be seconded	Debatable	Amendable	Vote required
PRIVILEGED MOTIONS						
1	Fix time to which to adjourn	Yes	Yes	No, if made when another question before assembly	Yes	Majority
2	Adjourn	Yes	Yes	No	No	Majority
3	Take recess	Yes	Yes	No	Yes, as to time only	Majority
4	Question of privilege	No	No	No	No	Decided by chair; subject to assembly appeal
5	Call for orders of the day	No	No	No	No	Decided by chair; $\frac{2}{3}$ vote required to suspend special order
SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS						
6	Lay on the table	Yes	Yes	No	No	Majority
7	Previous question (to close debate)	Yes	Yes	No	No	$\frac{2}{3}$
8	Limit or extend debate	Yes	Yes	No, if applied to motion before assembly only	Yes, as to time or number of speakers	$\frac{2}{3}$
9	Postpone to a definite time	Yes	Yes	Yes, as to advisability	Yes, as to time only	Majority, but $\frac{2}{3}$ if intent is to create a special order
10	Commit or refer	Yes	Yes	Yes, as to advisability and instructions	Only by altering committee or giving it instructions	Majority
11	Amend the amendment	Yes	Yes	Yes, if motion to be amended is debatable (Mover does not have right to close)	No	Majority
12	Amendment	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
13	Postpone indefinitely	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
SUBSTANTIVE MOTION						
14	Main or principal motion	Yes	Yes	Yes; mover has right to close debate	Yes	Majority
MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS (after action taken on main motion)						
Take from table—is undebatable; requires majority Rescind—requires seconder; debatable and amendable; requires majority with notice, but $\frac{2}{3}$ without notice Reconsider—mover must be one who voted with prevailing side; debatable only if original was debatable; requires $\frac{3}{4}$ Ratify—debatable See also special rules 3.3, 7.6 and 7.7						

Figure 2. Motions Without Rank Among Themselves

<i>Motion</i>	<i>Mover must be recognized</i>	<i>Must be seconded</i>	<i>Debatable</i>	<i>Amendable</i>	<i>Vote required</i>
INCIDENTAL MOTIONS					
Appeal decision of chair	No	Yes	No, if it relates to indecorum or transgression of rules or if previous question pending	No	Majority
Decision of assembly (call for vote count)	No	No	No	No	Majority, if brought to a vote
Division of a question (really amendment and subject to same rules)	Yes	Yes	No	No	Majority
Filling blanks (really amendment and subject to same rules)	Yes	No	No	No	Majority, smallest sum and longest time put first
Objection to consideration of question	No	No	No	No	$\frac{2}{3}$
Parliamentary inquiry	No	No	No	No	None, except on appeal, then majority
Point of information	No	No	No	No	None, except on appeal, then majority
Point of order	No	No	No	No	None, except on appeal, then majority
Read papers	Yes	Yes	No	No	Chair decides, if no objection, majority
Suspend rules	Yes	Yes	No	No	$\frac{2}{3}$ (rule 3.5)
Withdraw a motion (after it has been stated by chair)	Yes	Yes, if made by one asking permission; no, if made by another	No	No	Majority