

A General Table of Rule for Frequently Used Motions

<i>Motions (in precedence order)</i>		<i>Recognition from Chair?</i>	<i>Second Required</i>	<i>Debatable</i>	<i>Amendable</i>	<i>Required Vote to Pass</i>	<i>Applies to What Other Motions</i>	<i>Special Notes and Comments</i>
10.	Adjourn	Yes	Yes	No	No	Majority	None	Highest Precedence
9.	Recess	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Majority	None	None
8.	Appeal	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	Decision of Chair	Members can challenge a decision by the chair.
8.	Point of Order ₁	No	No	No	No	Chair decides	Any error	To point out an error.
8.	Suspend Rules ₁	Yes	Yes	No	No	2/3	None	Cannot apply to minority rights
8.	Division ₁	No	No	No	No	Chair decides	All Votes	A second vote on votes which are close
7.	Lay on Table	Yes	Yes	No	No	Majority	Main, Amend, Appeal	Also called postpone temporarily
6.	Close Debate ₁	Yes	Yes	No	No	2/3	All debatable motions	Also called previous question & vote immediately
5.	Limit Debate ₁	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes ₃	2/3	All debatable motions	To limit debate to a set period
4.	Postpone Definitely	Yes	Yes	Yes ₂	Yes ₃	Majority	Main motions	To set aside to next meeting
5.	Refer to Committee	Yes	Yes	Yes ₂	Yes ₃	Majority	Main motions	To allow a small group to study
2.	Amend ₁	Yes	Yes	Yes ₂	Yes	Majority	All amendable motions	You may amend an amendment
1.	Main	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	None	Lowest precedence

1 - Indicates possible exception to precedence order.

2 - Limited in the sense that debate is only on the merits of that specific motion.

3 - Restricted to the variable part of the motion.