

## Table of Common Motions in Parliamentary Procedure

MOTION	WHAT YOU SAY	May you interrupt speaker?	Needs second?	Debatable?	Amend-able?	Vote needed?	Can it be recon-sidered?
Adjourn the meeting	"I move that we adjourn."	No	Yes	No	No	majority	No
Call an intermission	"I move that we recess for..."	No	Yes	No	Yes	majority	No
Complain about heat, noise, etc.	"I rise to a question of privilege."	Yes	No	No	No	no vote	no, usually
Suspend consideration of something	"I move to table the motion"	No	Yes	No	No	majority	No
End debate and amendments (move to a vote)	"I move the previous question"	No	Yes	No	No	2/3	No
Postpone discussion for a certain time	"I move to postpone discussion until..."	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	majority	Yes
Refer matter to committee for study	"I move to refer the matter to committee"	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	majority	Yes
Amend a motion	"I move to amend the motion by..."	no	Yes	Yes	Yes	none if friendly, majority if not	Yes
Introduce business	"I move that..."	no	Yes	Yes	Yes	majority	Yes
Protest breach of rules or conduct	"I rise to a point of order"	Yes	No	No	No	no vote	No
Vote on a ruling from the chair	"I appeal the chair's decision"	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	majority	Yes
Suspend the rules temporarily	"I move to suspend the rules so that..."	No	Yes	No	No	2/3	No
Avoid consideration of an improper matter	"I object to consideration of this motion"	Yes	No	No	No	2/3	-
Verify a voice vote by a rising vote	"I call for a division" or "Divide!"	Yes	No	No	No	no vote	No
Request information	"Point of information"	Yes	No	No	No	no vote	No
Take up a matter previously tabled	"I move to take from the table..."	No	Yes	No	No	majority	No
Reconsider a hasty action	"I move to reconsider the vote on..."	Yes	Yes	No	No	majority	No