

Parliamentary Motions Quick Reference

		Name of Motion					
		May interrupt when another is speaking	Requires a second	Is debatable	Is amendable	Vote required for adoption	May be reconsidered
Privileged	Fix the time at which to adjourn	NO	YES	NO	YES	M	YES
	Adjourn	NO	YES	NO	NO	M	NO
	Recess	NO	YES	NO	YES	M	NO
	Raise a question of privilege	YES	NO	NO	NO	C	NO
	Call for the orders of the day	YES	NO	NO	NO	C	NO
Subsidiary	Lay on the table	NO	YES	NO	NO	M	Neg. Only
	Previous question	NO	YES	NO	NO	2/3	YES
	Limit or extend limits of debate	NO	YES	NO	YES	2/3	YES
	Postpone to a certain time	NO	YES	YES	YES	M	YES
	Commit	NO	YES	YES	YES	M	YES
	Amend	NO	YES	YES	YES	M	YES
	Postpone indefinitely	NO	YES	YES	NO	M	Aff. Only
	Main motion	NO	YES	YES	YES	M	YES
Incidental	Point of order	YES	NO	NO	NO	C	NO
	Appeal from a decision of the chair	YES	YES	YES**	NO	M-	YES
	Suspend the rules	NO	YES	NO	NO	2/3	NO
	Objection to consideration of question	±	NO	NO	NO	2-3-	Neg. Only
	Division of a question	NO	YES	NO	YES	M	NO
	Consideration by paragraph or seriatim	NO	YES	NO	YES	M	NO
	Division of the assembly	YES	NO	NO	NO	C	NO
	Parliamentary inquiry - requests parliamentary advice	YES	NO	NO	NO	C	NO
Point of information - requests factual information	YES	NO	NO	NO	C	NO	
Bring Back	Take from the table	NO	YES	NO	NO	M	NO
	Rescind/amend something previously adopted	NO	YES	YES	YES	2/3 M	Neg. Only
	Reconsider	±	YES	YES*	NO	M	NO

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| ± | Is in order if another has been assigned the floor but has not begun to speak |
| * | Is debatable if applied to a debatable motion |
| ** | Is usually debatable, See RONR |
| M- | Majority in the negative is required to reverse the decision of the chair |
| 2/3- | 2/3 in the negative is required to sustain the objection |
| 2/3M | 2/3 or majority of the membership without notice or majority with notice |
| M | Majority |
| C | Chair Handles |