

TABLE OF FREQUENTLY USED PARLIAMENTARY MOTIONS

Type	Motion	Purpose	Second Required?	Debatable?	Amendable?	Required Vote	May Interrupt a Speaker's Time?
Privileged	Fix Time for Reassembling	To arrange time of next meeting	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes
	Adjourn	To dismiss the meeting	Yes	No	Yes	Majority	No
	Recess	To dismiss the meeting for a specific length of time	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No
	Rise to a Question of Privilege	To make a personal request during debate	No	No	No	Decision of Chair	Yes
Incidental	Rise to a point of order or parliamentary procedure; point of information	To correct a parliamentary error or ask a question usually to clarify a procedural matter	No	No	No	Decision of Chair	Yes
	Call for a roll call vote	To verify a voice vote	Yes	No	No	1/5	No
	Object to the consideration of a question	To suppress action	No	No	No	2/3	Yes
	Divide a motion	To consider its parts separately	Yes	No	Yes	Majority	No
	Leave to modify or withdraw a motion	To modify or withdraw a motion	No	No	No	Majority	No
	Suspend the Rules	To take action contrary to standing rules	Yes	No	No	2/3	No
Subsidiary	Take from the table	To consider a tabled motion	Yes	No	No	Majority	No
	Lay on the table	To defer action	Yes	No	No	Majority	No
	Previous Question	To force an immediate vote	Yes	No	No	2/3	No
	Limit or Extend Debate	To modify freedom of debate	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3	No
	Postpone to a certain time	To defer action	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes
	Amend	To modify a motion	1/3	Yes	Yes	Majority	No
	Postpone Indefinitely	To suppress action	Yes	Yes	No	Majority	No
Main	Main Motion	To introduce business	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No