

Parliamentary Chart

(Bourinot's Rules of Order) all of the Rules at a glance

	MOTION	DEBATABLE	AMENDABLE	REQUIRES A SECOND	VOTE REQUIRED	IN ORDER WHEN ANOTHER IS SPEAKING	CAN BE RECONSIDERED
PRIVILEGED MOTIONS	Time of Next Meeting (when privileged)	No	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	Yes
	Adjourn (when privileged)	No	No	Yes	Majority	No	No
	Recess	No	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	No
	Question of Privilege (treat as main motion)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	Yes	Yes
	Orders of the Day	No	No	No	None; it takes 2/3 to postpone special order	Yes	No
INCIDENTAL MOTIONS	Appeal (7)	No	No	Yes	Majority	Yes	No
	Point of Order	No	No	No	None unless appealed; then majority	Yes	No
	Objection to Consideration of Question	No	No	No	2/3	Yes	Yes
	Withdrawal of Motion (1)	No	No	No	Unanimous	No	Yes
	Suspension of Rules (2)	No	No	Yes	Unanimous	No	No
SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS	Lay of the Table	No	No	Yes	Majority	No	No
	Previous Question (close debate) (3)	No	No	Yes	Majority	No	No
	Limit or Extend Limits of Debate	No	Yes	Yes	2/3	No	Yes
	Postpone to a definite Time	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	Yes
	Refer or Commit (4)	No	No	Yes	Majority	No	No
	Amend	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	Yes
	Postpone indefinitely	Yes	No	Yes	Majority	No	Yes
	MAIN MOTION	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority	No	Yes
	Reconsideration (5)	Yes, if motion to which it applies is debatable	No	Yes	2/3	Yes	No
	Rescind (6)	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3	No	Yes

NOTES:

- (1) **Withdrawal of Motion:** The vote required under Robert's Rules of Order is a majority vote.
- (2) **Suspension of Rules:** Robert's Rules call for a two-thirds (2/3) vote.
- (3) Under Robert's Rules of Order, the "previous question" requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote.
- (4) **Refer or Commit:** The rules show on the Chart are what applies in CUPE and the Canadian Labour Congress. If the organization is using Robert's Rules of Order, then this motion is debatable, amendable, and can be reconsidered.
- (5) **Reconsideration:** Under Robert's Rules of Order, this motion only requires a majority vote.
- (6) **Rescind:** Robert's Rules of Order, state that this motion requires two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present, unless previous notice has been given. When notice of motion is given at a previous meeting, then only a majority vote is required.
- (7) **Appeal:** Under Robert's Rules of Order, a decision on appeal may be subject to reconsideration.