| **Motion** | **Class** | **In Order When Another Has the Floor** | **Second Required** | **Debatable** | **Amendable** | **Vote Required** | **Can Be Reconsidered** |
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| 1. **Main Motion (“I move to . . . .”)**
 | **M** | **No** | **Usually\*** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Majority or as provided in document** | **Yes** |
| 1. **Adjourn**
 | **P** | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **Majority** | **No** |
| 1. Adopt, Accept, or Agree to a Report
 | M | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Majority | Yes |
| 1. Adopt Bylaws or Constitution, Initially
 | M | No | Usually\* | Yes | Yes | Majority, or as provided in document | Negative Only |
| 1. Adopt Revised Bylaws or Constitution, or Amend Existing Bylaws or Constitution
 | M | No | Usually\* | Yes | Yes | As provided in document | Negative Only |
| 1. Adopt Special Rules of Order
 | M | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 2/3 | Negative Only |
| 1. **Adopt Agenda**
 | **M** | **No** | **Usually\*** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Majority** | **Negative Only** |
| 1. **Amend Agenda**
 | **M** | **No** | **Usually\*** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **2/3** | **Negative Only** |
| 1. **Amend a Pending Motion**
 | **S** | **No** | **Yes** | **If motion to be amended is debatable** | **Yes** | **Majority** | **Yes** |
| 1. Amend Something Previously Adopted
 | M | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 2/3 | Negative Only |
| 1. Appeal, General Case
 | I | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | Majority | Yes |
| 1. Appeal, Indecorum or Transgression
 | I | Yes | Yes | No | No | Majority | Yes |
| 1. Ballot (To Vote on a Pending Matter by)
 | I | No | Yes | No | Yes | Majority | Yes |
| 1. Change or Depart from Agenda
 | I | No | Yes | No | No | 2/3 | No |
| 1. **Close Debate (“calling the question” or “moving the previous questions”)**
 | **S** | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **2/3** | **Yes****(but practically impossible)** |
| 1. Commit, Refer, or Recommit to Committee
 | S | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Majority | If committee has not begun consideration |
| 1. Consider, by Paragraph or Seriatim
 | I | No | Yes | No | Yes | Majority | No |
| 1. Discharge a Committee
 | M | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 2/3 | Negative Only |
| 1. Division of the Assembly
 | I | Yes | No | No | No | Demand of Single Member | No |
| 1. **Division of a Question**
 | **I** | **No** | **Yes** | **No** | **Yes** | **Majority** | **No** |
| 1. Fix Time at Which To Adjourn
 | P | No | Yes | No | Yes | Majority | Yes |
| 1. **Information, Point of**
 | **I** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **No** | **Not Voted On** | **No** |
| 1. Lay on the Table
 | S | No | Yes | No | No | Majority | No |
| 1. Limit or Extend Limits on Debate
 | S | No | Yes | No | Yes | 2/3 | Yes |
| 1. **Minutes, to Correct Before Adoption**
 | **S** | **No** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Majority** | **Yes** |
| 1. **Minutes, to Approve**
 | **M** | **No** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Yes** | **Majority** | **Yes** |
| 1. Nominations, to Make
 | — | No | No | Yes | No | Majority or as Set in Bylaws | No |
| 1. Nominations, to Close
 | I | No | Yes | No | Yes | 2/3 | No |
| 1. Nominations, to Reopen
 | I | No | Yes | No | Yes | Majority | Negative Only |
| 1. Object to Consideration of a Question(in order only before any debate has begun)
 | I | Yes | No | No | No | 2/3 | Vote Sustaining Objection Only |
| 1. Orders of the Day, Call for

(seeks to have the body follow the agenda) | P | Yes | No | No | No | Demand of One Member Unless Set Aside By 2/3 | No |
| 1. **Order, Point of (seeks to enforce the rules; may also be used to calling a member to order)**
 | **I** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **No** | **Chair Rules** | **No** |
| 1. Parliamentary Inquiry, Point of
 | I | Yes | No | No | No | Chair Rules | N/A |
| 1. Postpone Indefinitely
 | S | No | Yes | Yes | No | Majority | Affirmative Only |
| 1. Postpone to a Certain Time
 | S | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | Majority | Yes |
| 1. Recess, to Take While Business is Pending
 | P | No | Yes | No | Yes | Majority | No |
| 1. Reconsider
 | B | No | Yes | Yes | No | Majority | No |
| 1. Register a Complaint (“I rise to a question of privilege”)
 | P | Yes | No | No | No | None | N/A |
| 1. Rescind, Repeal, or Annul
 | M | No | Yes | Yes | Yes | 2/3 or majority with notice | No |
| 1. Suspend the Rules
 | I | No | Yes | No | No | 2/3 | No |
| 1. Take from the Table
 | B | No | Yes | No | No | Majority | No |
| 1. Voting, to Require Particular Form of
 | I | No | Yes | No | Yes | Majority | Yes |
| 1. **Withdraw or Modify Motion**
 | **I** | **Yes** | **No** | **No** | **No** | **Majority** | **Negative Only** |

\*A second not required if the motion is made by a Committee.

M = Main Motion. These motions bring before the assembly, for its consideration, any particular subject. They take “precedence of nothing”—that is, a main motion is not in order when any other question is before the assembly, and it yields to all Privileged, Incidental, and Subsidiary Motions.

S = Subsidiary Motion. These are applied to other motions for the purpose of most appropriately disposing of them. They may be applied to any Main Motion, and when made they supersede the Main Motion and must be decided before the Main Motion can be acted upon. None of them, except the motion to amend and those that close or limit or extend the limits of debate, can be applied to a Subsidiary, Incidental (except an appeal in certain cases), or Privileged Motion.

I = Incidental Motion. These arise out of another question which is pending, and therefore take precedence of and must be decided before the question out of which they rise.

P = Privileged Motion. These motions, although not relating to the pending question, are of so great importance as to require them to take precedence of all other questions, and, on account of this high privilege, they are not debatable.

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