

# Commonly Used Parliamentary Motions

Motion	Description	A	B	C	D	E	F
Adjourn	to end the meeting		X				maj.
Amend	to change part of a bigger motion that is already being discussed	X	X	X	X	X	maj.
Appeal the Chair	to try to change a decision the chairperson made	X	X		X	X	maj.
Call for Division	to have the chair count the votes individually when it is hard to tell which side won just by a voice vote or by raising hands	X					none
Delay	to postpone the discussion of the motion until a later time		X				maj.
Extend or Limit Debate	to set or change how much time will be spent on debate		X	X		X	2/3
Main Motion	to make a proposal (when there are no other matters being considered)		X	X	X	X	maj.
Nominate	used during elections to nominate someone for an office		X		X		maj.
Orders of the Day	to keep the meeting on the schedule written in the agenda	X					maj.
Point	interrupts business to ask a question or get clarification on what is going on	X					chair
Previous Question	to stop debating and vote on a motion		X			X	2/3
Table	to postpone deciding on a motion until later (can be until a definite time or day, or can be indefinitely)		X				maj.
Withdraw a Motion	when the person who made a motion changes his/her mind and says he/she doesn't want to make that motion anymore				X		maj.

## KEY

- A: Can interrupt the speaker
- B: Requires a second
- C: Can be amended
- D: Can be debated
- E: Can be reconsidered
- F: How many votes required to pass it

