

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER REFERENCE TABLE

OBJECTIVE	APPROPRIATE MOTION				
Present an idea for consideration	Main motion or Resolution; Consider subject informally				
Improve a pending motion	Amend; Division of the question				
Regulate or cut-off debate	Limit or extend debate; Previous question (vote immediately)				
Delay a decision	Refer to committee; Postpone definitely; Postpone indefinitely (kills motion)				
Suppress a proposal	Object to consideration; Postpone indefinitely; Withdraw of motion				
Meet an emergency	Question of privilege; Suspend rules; Lay on the table				
Gain information on a pending motion	Parliamentary inquiry; Request information; Question of privilege; Request to ask question				
Question the decision of the chair	Point of order; Appeal from decision of chair				
Enforce rights and privileges	Division of assembly; Division of question; Parliamentary inquiry; Point of order; Appeal from decision of chair				
Consider a question again	Resume consideration; Reconsider; Rescind				
Change an action already taken	Reconsider; Rescind; Amend motion previously adopted				
Terminate a meeting	Adjourn; Recess				
MOTION	INTERRUPT	SECOND	DEBATABLE	AMENDABLE	VOTE
Adjourn	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Recess	No	Yes	Sometimes	Yes	Majority
Point of information	Yes	No	No	No	Chair
Orders of the Day	No	No	No	No	Chair
Lay on the table	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
Previous question	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
Limit or extend debate	No	Yes	No	Yes	2/3
Postpone to a certain time	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Refer to committee	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Amend	No	Yes	If motion is	Yes	Majority
Postpone indefinitely	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
MAIN MOTION	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
RECONSIDER	Yes	Yes	If motion is	No	Majority
RESCIND	No	Yes	Yes	No	2/3
AMEND MOTION PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	2/3

