

This is a summary of the most common motions you might see at an AGM or similar meeting.

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Robert's Rules (parliamentary procedure)				
Motion	Secunder required?	Example or note	Majority required	Interrupt current speaker?
Normal	Yes	Move to hold next year's AGM at the Lycée Claudel	Simple	No
Amendment	Yes	Move to set AGM start time at 6:30	Simple, must be debated before main motion	No
Improper amendment		Move to hold next year's AGM at the NAC	Out of order because it changes intent of original motion	No
Personal privilege	No	I cannot hear the speaker	Chair rules	Yes
Point of order	No	The current speaker is not on topic	Chair rules	Yes
Point of information		There is no such thing but inexperienced persons or those wishing to jump the speaking queue may try to raise this improperly		
To end debate (call the question)	Yes	Made when a member believes there has been sufficient debate	2/3, not debatable	No
Objection to consideration	No	On any matter that is considered irrelevant, contentious or unprofitable, or that, for any reason, is thought not advisable to discuss	2/3, not debatable	Must be moved before debate begins

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Motion to divide	Yes	Motion to install vehicle washing facilities on P1 and allow bicycles to use them - divide motion could be to have the P1 installation and the bicycle access as two separate motions	Simple	No
Adjourn	Yes		Simple, not debatable	No