

Model United Nations

Boulder High School

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Typical Model United Nations Parliamentary Procedure

Note that procedure varies a little at each MUN conference. If you use these procedures, though, you'll be clearly understood and the chair will usually be kind in helping you learn the details for the conference of the day. If you make a motion that the chairperson doesn't understand, they will usually help you clarify your point to fit into the system that they are using.

	Explanation	Second Required	Interrupt Speaker	Debate: pro/con	Vote Required
Point of Order	Enforce the rules because they are being broken	No	Yes	None	Chair
Point of Personal Privilege	Complain of speaker's volume, room temp, etc.	No	Yes	None	Chair
Point of Parliamentary Inquiry	Ask for info about parliamentary procedure	No	No	None	Chair
Point of Information	Ask a question to the speaker	No	No	None	Chair
Appeal the Decision of Chair	Have body vote on whether chair properly followed procedure	No	No	1-Chair	2/3
Motion to Adjourn	Quit the day's debate	Yes	No	None	Majority
Motion to Recess	Take a break	Yes	No	None	Majority
Motion for a Caucus	Provide time for informal discussions, either moderated or not moderated	Yes	No	None	Majority
Motion to Close Speaker's List	Cap list of speakers	Yes	No	None	2/3
Motion to Table	Temporarily put resolution or amendment to the side for more pressing matters	Yes	No	None	2/3
Motion to Postpone Debate	Postpone debate	Yes	No	1-1	Majority
Motion to Close Debate	Close debate (and likely move to vote)	Yes	No	1-2	2/3
Motion to Resume Debate	Continue debating a postponed or tabled resolution	Yes	No	1-1	Majority
Motion to Divide the Question	Separate the resolution into parts for separate votes	Yes	No	1-1	Majority
Previous Question	Vote on resolution	Yes	No	Yes	2/3
Amendment	Introduce amendment	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
Motion to Alter the Agenda	Change already agreed upon agenda	Yes	No	1-1	Majority