

RULES FOR THE PRESERVATION OF ORDER.

1. When the Bishop or other person presiding has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing.
2. When any member is about to speak for the information of the Synod, he shall rise and address himself to the Chair.
3. No motion or amendment shall be considered as before the Synod, unless seconded and reduced to writing.
4. No Member, save the mover of a motion, who is entitled to reply, shall speak more than once on the same question without leave of the Synod, except in explanation of a material part of his speech, which may have been misunderstood, and then he is not to introduce new matter.
5. When a question is under consideration, no other motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to lay it on the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide upon it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order here named.
6. Motions to adjourn, to adjourn the debate, or to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.
7. When a motion shall be before the Synod, it cannot be withdrawn by the mover without the consent of the Synod.
8. Each member shall have the right to require at any period of the debate that a question in discussion be read for his information.
9. A member called to order whilst speaking shall sit down, unless permitted to explain.
10. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair.
11. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made, but no after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order; yet a substitute to the whole matter may be proposed and received, provided it deals directly with the subject in hand.
12. All amendments to any question or amendment shall be decided on before the question or motion on which they arise is proposed for decision.
13. Whilst any question is being put from the Chair, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse; and when a motion is so put, no member shall retire until such motion is disposed of.