

Chair. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Chairman shall name the member who is first to speak.

6. When the Chairman is putting a question, no member shall walk out of or across the house; nor, when a member is speaking, shall any member hold discourse to interrupt him, except to order, nor pass between him and the Chair; and every member present when a question is put shall be required to vote on the same. In voting, those who vote in the affirmative shall first rise, and then those who vote in the negative.

7. 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.

8. A member may, of right, require the motion in discussion to be read for his information, at any time during the debate, but not so as to interrupt a member speaking.

9. A member called to order shall sit down, unless permitted to explain; and the Synod, if appealed to, shall decide the case, but without debate; if there be no appeal, the decision of the Chair shall be submitted to.

10. No member shall speak disrespectfully of the Queen or any of the Royal Family, nor use improper language against the proceedings of the Synod, or against particular members thereof, nor speak beside the question in debate.

11. The Chairman may at any time desire the Synod to be cleared of strangers, and may suspend the debate then in progress until the Synod be so cleared.

12. No motion shall be put or debated unless the same be in writing and seconded; nor shall any motion prefaced by a written preamble be received by the Chair.

13. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order; but such motions, as well as motions to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate.

14. All questions shall be put to the Synod in the order in which they are moved.

15. After a motion has been read from the Chair it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Synod, but it may be withdrawn at any time before decision or amendment, with the permission of the Synod.