

## Parliamentary Acronyms

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**Use the acronyms below to help fill in the missing information (see answers on the next page) for the following:**

- Usual Order of Business for Ordinary Situations RONR (12<sup>th</sup>ed.) 41:5
- Subsidiary motions (in order of rank) RONR (12<sup>th</sup>ed.) 6:5)
- Privileged motions (in order of rank) RONR (12<sup>th</sup>ed.) 6:12)
- Basic Bylaw Articles RONR (12<sup>th</sup>ed.) 56:16-50)
- What action can be taken at a meeting if there is no quorum? RONR (12<sup>th</sup>ed.) 40:7-8)

Usual Order of Business in Ordinary Societies <i>{Mrs Sun}</i>		Basic Bylaw Articles <i>{no mommy see pa}</i>	
<b>M</b>		<b>N</b>	
<b>R</b>		<b>O</b>	
<b>S</b>		<b>M</b>	
<b>S</b>		<b>O</b>	
<b>U</b>		<b>M</b>	
<b>N</b>		<b>E</b>	
		<b>C</b>	
<b>Subsidiary Motions</b>		<b>P</b>	
<b>P</b>	Pearls	<b>A</b>	
<b>A</b>	Are		
<b>C</b>	Classy	<b>Convention Reports</b>	
<b>P</b>	Pretty	<b>C</b>	
<b>L</b>	Lady	<b>R</b>	
<b>P</b>	Pretty	<b>a</b>	and
<b>L</b>	Lady	<b>P</b>	
<b>Privileged Motions</b>		<b>What action can be taken at a meeting if there is no quorum?</b>	
<b>C</b>	Can	<b>F</b>	
<b>R</b>	Ryan	<b>A</b>	
<b>R</b>	Race	<b>R</b>	
<b>A</b>	A	<b>M</b>	
<b>F</b>	Ferrari		

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<b>Usual Order of Business in Ordinary Societies</b> <i>{Mrs Sun}</i>			<b>Basic Bylaw Articles</b> <i>{no mommy see pa}</i>	
<b>M</b>	Minutes approval - earliest to latest		<b>N</b>	Name
<b>R</b>	Reports of Officers, Boards, and Standing Committees		<b>O</b>	Object
<b>S</b>	Special Committee Reports		<b>M</b>	Members
<b>S</b>	Special Orders		<b>O</b>	Officers
<b>U</b>	Unfinished Business and General Orders		<b>M</b>	Meetings
<b>N</b>	New Business		<b>E</b>	Executive Board (Board of Directors)
			<b>C</b>	Committees
<b>Subsidiary Motions</b>			<b>P</b>	Parliamentary Authority
<b>P</b>	Pearls	Postpone Indefinitely	<b>A</b>	Amendment
<b>A</b>	Are	Amend		
<b>C</b>	Classy	Commit or Refer	<b>Convention Reports</b>	
<b>P</b>	Pretty	Postpone Definitely	<b>C</b>	Credentials
<b>L</b>	Lady	Limit or Extend Debate	<b>R</b>	Rules
<b>P</b>	Pretty	Previous Question	<b>a</b>	<i>And</i>
<b>L</b>	Lady	Lay on the Table	<b>P</b>	Program
<b>Privileged Motions</b>			<b>What action can be taken at a meeting if there is no quorum?</b>	
<b>C</b>	Can	Call for the Orders of the Day	<b>F</b>	Fix the Time to Which to Adjourn
<b>R</b>	Ryan	Raise a Question of Privilege	<b>A</b>	Adjourn
<b>R</b>	Race	Recess	<b>R</b>	Recess
<b>A</b>	A	Adjourn	<b>M</b>	[take] Measures to obtain a quorum
<b>F</b>	Ferrari	Fix the Time to Which to Adjourn		