

How to Make a Motion

- 1. Member addresses chairperson to be recognized before speaking.
- 2. State the motion, "I move..."
- 3. Second the motion, "I second..."
- 4. The Chair states, "It has been moved by (name) and seconded that..."
- 5. Ask for discussion. Every member has the right to talk.
- 6. In taking the vote, the league has the following options:
 - a. voice vote
 - b. show of hand
 - c. ballot vote
- 7. Except where USBC Rules state otherwise, a majority must be reached to approve a motion. A majority is one more than half of the votes cast. For example: 25 people are present, 21 people cast votes, 11 votes are needed to pass the motion.
- 8. Upon completion of the vote count, the chair rules on the vote and states the result.
- 9. The person making the motion may vote against it, but cannot speak against it.
- 10. Officers may vote on all issues.
- 11. A motion is lost on a tie vote.

