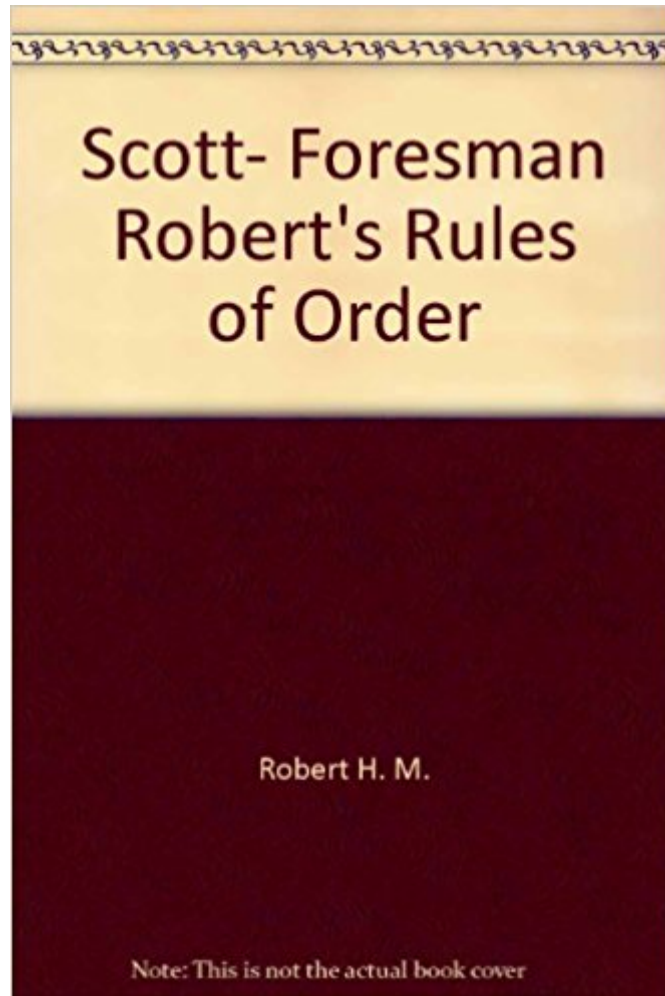




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# Roberts Rule Of Order



## Synopsis

There appears to be much needed a work on parliamentary law, based, in its general principles, upon the rules and practice of Congress, and adapted, in its details, to the use of ordinary societies. Such a work should give, not only the methods of organizing and conducting the meetings, the duties of the officers and the names of the ordinary motions, but in addition, should state in a systematic manner, in reference to each motion, its object and effect; whether it can be amended or debated; if debatable, the extent to which it opens the main question to debate; the circumstances under which it can be made, and what other motions can be made while it is pending. This Manual has been prepared with a view to supplying the above information in a condensed and systematic manner, each rule being either complete in itself, or giving references to every section that in any way qualifies it, so that a stranger to the work can refer to any special subject with safety. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## Customer Reviews

Henry M. Robert (1837–1923) was a military engineer. His book Robert's Rules of Order (also known as Pocket Manual of Rules of Order for Deliberative Assemblies) became the most widely used manual of parliamentary procedure to this day in the United States. During the Civil War, Robert worked on the defenses of Washington, DC, Philadelphia, and several ports in New England. He served as the president of the Board of Engineers from 1895 to 1901. Upon his retirement he was appointed chief of engineers. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I downloaded this so that I could have a copy of Robert's Rules of Order in our school board meetings but it is practically useless. This is NOT the most recent 11th edition. It is the ninth and the contents, format, pages, etc. are completely different. So when you are in a meeting with that one snotty person that likes to quote Roberts and has the paperback edition, they will be able to find stuff faster than you AND they will say that their version rules because it is the most recent. Really puts you at a disadvantage to have this Kindle version.

Don't buy this version. Worst product I have ever bought from , and worst book I have ever bought anywhere. Looks like something produced by a kid and never proofed before printing. It does a disservice to a revered resource. Pretty cover, but you know what they say. I'll have to find another version somewhere.....

This book was not at all what I expected. From previous reviews, it appears that different versions of the book are available under the same heading. When I first opened the book, I thought the initial pages were errata for what followed but the entire book seemed to be some kind of annotation or perhaps abbreviation. This book does not have a table of contents or index, so trying to find something in the book is practically impossible. Unfortunately, I did not look at the book as soon as I got it nor did I need the reference within the first 30 days of ordering it so cannot return it. If you decide to order this book, be sure to look at it as soon as you get it so you can return it if you got the same version I did. I have learned my lesson and hope I can prevent someone else from making the same mistake. Now I will have to spend more money getting the right text but, this time I will go locally so I can be sure I am getting what I need. This one will go in the trash because that it all it is good for.

I've been struggling with our HOA meetings: they are unmitigated disasters where everyone does what they want and there is zero order. It's also a place where some take advantage of others because nobody knows any better. We're all fortunately bound by Robert's Rules. I read our bylaws and covenants but there were quite a few unanswered questions but I did notice the tagline reading that they bylaws adopted Robert's Rules of Order. I ordered it from , got it in a day and within 5 minutes of getting this book, quite a few of my questions were answered on the problems that ail our HOA. Within an hour, my perspective on the world had changed. I've come to realize that we all live in a tyranny of ignorance. Jefferson perhaps said it best: "If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be." --Thomas Jefferson This book

is simply the best, get it, study it....I recommend a package of sticky bookmarks and use it to mark what you're looking for. THE BOOK- it's thick, maybe 2-3 inches- it's hardbound- high quality- comes with dustjacket- the hardcover under the dustjacket is clearly marked with the RR of Robert's Rules- it's much smaller than a regular book (like a small bible) but thick.- it has it's own set of references in it, with an index, and some charts- it's modern and covers teleconferencing and other new technological venues- it's a powerful toolCONS- It's not a lay open book, so if you want to study it, you need a bookmark of some kind- The margins aren't that big but that's ok (I prefer the smaller size)- It's dense, if you don't have a problem or don't participate in assemblies - this will seem like a bunch of jargonOverall, I HIGHLY recommend this book if you have to deal with parliamentary proceedings. Buy it, study it, use it.RECOMMENDATION- Study this BEFORE you start going to meetings. If you try to look something up during the meeting the motion will pass before you ever figure out that you had a right to object, or a point of order, or some other privileged motion.Good luck!

Compared to my old copy (which was falling apart and had the corner chewed by a puppy), the new version is totally disorganized, the so called index is a mess and practically unreadable. It seems as if someone had the bright idea of "modernizing" it to make it more readable by attempting to clump like subjects together. Instead of moving in an organized systematic method all they did was make a mess.

It's all there, but with two problems:(1) It's difficult or impossible to tell which edition of Robert's this is - I haven't found out yet. No title page, no back of title page with publication details. This is important because many organizations specify which edition of Robert's their procedures are based on.(2) The original had tables of contents and references nicely lined up with headings on the left and pages and/or section numbers on the right. The digitization process totally missed that fact that these were tables, and treated them as paragraphs. Everything is jumbled up, making it very hard to find what you're looking for! This is important because most of the time the book is used as a reference, not as a sequential narrative.I recommend getting a printed version, or using an on-line version with proper links to sections.

Anyone having responsibility to preside over meetings in a variety of settings should have a copy of this book. In it you will find the help and advice needed to prepare properly, and officiate properly. The result will be a well-run meeting that actually accomplishes something in a reasonable time. I

give 5 stars also to the seller for fair price, fast delivery, and a book in very good used condition as advertised. Can't ask for much more. ps: It's also a good idea for meeting attendees to be familiar with Roberts Rules, so as to be enabled to offer corrections/suggestions when meetings begin to get out of control and "off-topic".

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