

As per CIVL Internal Regulation

1.8 Voting procedures

1.8.1 Plenary meeting

Except when specified in these Internal Regulations, decisions are taken on a simple majority vote. In the event of a tie in two successive votes, the President casts a deciding vote without appeal. Decisions shall be made via the following procedures, according to Robert's Rules of Order:

1.8.1.1 Show of hands

Vote is cast by raising a hand.

- Absolute majority vote: more than half of the vote cast (votes for, against and abstentions are counted).
- Simple majority vote: more than half of the votes cast (votes for and against are counted).
- Plural majority vote: the decision is in favour of the option receiving the largest number of the votes cast.
- 2/3 qualified majority vote: at least 2/3 of the votes cast (votes for and against are counted).

1.8.1.2 Secret ballot

A vote must be secret if requested by a Delegate, Alternate Delegate or national representative. All ballot papers are counted. The following are considered invalid: blank ballot papers; ballot papers marked so that the source can be identified; ballot papers that are illegible; ballot papers that have more names than positions available.

- Absolute majority vote: more than half of the votes cast (invalid ballots are counted).
- Simple majority vote: more than half of the valid votes cast.
- Plural majority vote: the decision is in favour of the option receiving the largest number of valid votes cast.
- 2/3 qualified majority vote: at least 2/3 of the valid votes actually cast.

1.8.1.3 General consent

This may be used in the election of Officers when positions are not contested.

1.8.1.4 Examples

On the roll call, 30 persons are present or represented.

When the vote is called 5 persons are absent and 4 ballots are blank or invalid.

- Absolute majority: 13 (more than 25 divided by 2).
- Simple majority: 11 (more than 21 divided by 2).
- 2/3 majority: 14 (at least 21 divided by 2/3).