

STANDING RULES AND ORDERS

OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

GENERAL CONDUCT OF BUSINESS.

1. That in all cases not hereinafter provided for, the Speaker shall decide, taking for his guide the rules, forms, and usages of the House of Commons, so far as the same can be applied to the proceedings of this House.

2. That the sitting days of this House be Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, and that Government business take precedence on Tuesdays and Fridays, subject to alteration by resolution of the House.

3. That the Speaker shall take the Chair at 12 o'clock, noon, except on Wednesdays, when he shall take the Chair at 5 o'clock p.m., unless otherwise appointed, and if, at the hour appointed, there be not present fifteen Members, inclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker shall adjourn the House until the next sitting day.

4. That if at any time after the commencement of the business of the day, notice be taken that there are not present fifteen members inclusive of the Speaker, the Speaker shall by his own authority, adjourn the House until the next day of meeting.

5. That whenever the Speaker is obliged to adjourn the House for want of a quorum, the hour at which such adjournment is made, and the names of the Members then present shall be inserted in the journals of the House.

6. That no Order for a Call of the House shall be made for any day earlier than seven days from the date of such Order.