

Summary of Time Limits

Adjournment debate (SO 33)

Maximum time for raising matters is 10 speakers or 30 minutes — which is shorter

Raising matters, any member	3 minutes
Total time for responses by ministers	30 minutes

Consideration in detail — all bills (SO 131)

Mover	Unlimited
Any other member	Twice on each question, 5 minutes each

Government bills (excluding appropriation bills) — second reading (SO 131)

Mover	Unlimited
Lead speaker in response from opposition	30 minutes
Lead speaker in response from any other party, each	20 minutes*
Any other member	10 minutes
Reply by mover (SO 132)	15 minutes

Grievance debate (SO 38)

Maximum of 8 speakers or 2 hours total debating time — whichever is shorter

Any member	15 minutes
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Matter of public importance (SO 39) Overall time for discussion, maximum of 2 hours

First government and non-government speakers, each	15 minutes
Any other member	10 minutes

Motions other than procedural motions (SO 131)

Mover	30 minutes
Lead speakers in response from government and/or opposition, each	30 minutes
Lead speaker in response from any other party, each	20 minutes*
Any other member	10 minutes
Reply by mover (SO 132)	15 minutes

Private members' bills — second reading (SO 131)

Mover	30 minutes
Lead speakers in response from government and/or opposition, each	30 minutes
Lead speaker in response from any other party, each	20 minutes*
Any other member	10 minutes

Procedural motions (SO 131)

Maximum of 6 speakers or 30 minutes total debating time — whichever is shorter

All members	5 minutes
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Statements by members (SO 41)

Maximum of 30 minutes

Any member	90 seconds
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Statements on parliamentary committee reports (SO 41)

Maximum of 6 speakers or 30 minutes total debating time — whichever is shorter

Any member	5 minutes
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*Does not apply where the party is in coalition with another party.