

Important Ahkams (Legal Rulings) of Ramadan Mubarak and Eid-UI –Fitr

The Ahkams of Ramadan

The Obligation of Fasting

Fasting is obligatory on every sane Muslim male and female who has reached the age of puberty. When the month of Ramadan begins, we should fast thinking that Allah has made the fast of this month *fardh* (obligatory) on us and by fulfilling this obligation we will be able to obtain the pleasure of Allah (insha'Allah).

Some Rulings Related to Fasting

It is better to make the intention of fasting at night, but if one does not do so then he or she should make the intention before zawaal (midday). If someone makes the intention of fasting within his or her heart, it is sufficient, but one can also verbally recite the following:

If the intention is being pronounced at night: "*I make an intention of fasting tomorrow for the sake of Allah*".

If the intention is being pronounced in the morning: "*I make intention of fasting today for Allah*".

Physical hardship, job occupation, etc. are *not* acceptable excuses for not fasting. If someone is sick or traveling, that person has the option of not fasting during the sickness or travel. That fast, however, has to be made up after Ramadan. It is better for a traveler to fast but if he/she does not, there is no sin or fault in it. When a sick person regains his/her health, or a traveler reaches his/her destination, fasting becomes obligatory.

When someone is making up a fast after Ramadan, the intention has to be made at night.

Things That Break the Fast and Only Qadha (make-up fast) Has to Be Made, Without Kaffarah (penalty)

1. If someone was aware of his/her fast, and while gargling, accidentally swallowed water.
2. If someone vomits a little and intentionally swallows it.
3. If someone vomits a mouthful intentionally.
4. If someone swallows a small stone, pebble, a piece of paper, etc.
5. If someone had a piece of food stuck between the teeth the size of a pea or larger, and picked it with the tongue and swallowed it.
6. If someone puts oil in his ears or nose.
7. If someone swallows the blood that comes out of the gums. Provided the blood exceeds the saliva.
8. If someone ate *suhoor* and later found out that *fajr* time had already

begun.

9. If someone ate *iftar* early thinking it was time to do so but it wasn't.

Some Rulings of Qadha and Kaffarah

If someone intentionally breaks the fast in Ramadan after making *niyyah*, he/she must perform *Qadha* and pay the *Kaffarah*.

Kaffarah of Breaking a Ramadan Fast

1. To fast two months consecutively without missing a single day. If a single day is missed, one must start over.
2. If someone cannot do so due to old age or illness, then he/she should feed sixty poor people.

If someone ate forgetting that he was fasting, and then thinking that his/her fast had broken, ate intentionally, he/she only has to make *Qadha*.

The fast does not break if someone delays *fardh ghusl* (obligatory bath) into the time of fast, has a wet dream while fasting, puts oil in the hair or *kuhl* in the eyes, vomits, or eats or drinks forgetting that he/she is fasting.

Makrooh (undesirable) Acts During Fasting

1. To place anything inside the mouth.
2. To taste anything.
3. To chew on something that has no taste.
4. To be excessive in gargling and in sniffing water.
5. To backbite.
6. To gossip (i.e. To speak ill of anyone while they are not present, whether it is true or not true)
7. To lie.
8. To curse and use bad language.
9. To complain of hunger or thirst.
10. To use toothpaste, etc.

It is not *makrooh*: to use *kuhl*, oil or lotion for the body or hair, to use perfumes, to use the miswaak (unflavoured), to take a shower, or to take injections in case of severe illness.

Rulings of I'tikaf

It is *Sunnah-Muakkada Kifayah* to perform *I'tikaf* in the last ten days of Ramadan.

It is permissible to leave the masjid for religious necessity or natural necessity. Leaving the masjid without a necessity will nullify the *I'tikaf*.

Some Rulings of Taraweeh

It is *Sunnah-Muakkada* (emphasized *Sunnah*) to perform twenty *Raka'ats* of *Taraweeh* throughout the month of Ramadan. It is *Sunnah-Muakkada Kifayah* to make *Taraweeh* with jamaat. It is also *Sunnah-Muakkada* to complete the recitation of the entire Quran or to listen to its recitation in *Taraweeh*. If someone completes the recitation of the Quran in the early part of Ramadan and stops performing *Taraweeh*, that person is considered to have disregarded the *Sunnah*. *Taraweeh* should be performed every night of Ramadan, even if small *surahs* are being recited.

After every four *Raka'at*, *dua'a*, *zikr*, etc. should be recited.

EID-UL-FITR

Mustahabbat (Desirables) of Eid

It is *mustahab* on the day of Eid to:

1. Use a miswaak.
2. Perform a *ghusl* (bath).
3. Wear the best clothes in one's wardrobe.
4. Put on perfume.
5. Eat something sweet before going for Eid prayer is *Sunnah*.
6. Walk to the place of prayer (if possible).
7. Go to the Eid prayer location using one route and return via another.
8. Give *Sadaqah-tul-Fitr* before salaah.

Wajibaat of Eid

Salaah-ul-Eid is wajib on everyone upon whom *Jumah* is wajib. The Salaah is two *Rak'ats* without *Azaan* or *Iqamah*. There are six extra wajib Takbeers in this salaah. Three of them are in the first *Rak'at* and three are in the second.

Sadaqah-tul-Fitr

Sadaqah-tul-Fitr is wajib on every Muslim who has wealth equivalent to *nisab*. If one meets these requirements, that person must also give *Sadaqah-tul-Fitr* for his children who are under the age of puberty. The wife has to give her own as do the *baligh* (adult) children.

Zakaat

Zakaat is one of the most important obligations in Islam. It is the most important obligation after Salaah. Uthmaan (RA) used to call the month of Ramadan the month of zakaat. He encouraged people to give their zakaat in this month. Allah (SW) multiplies the rewards for completion of obligations by 70 in this month; therefore the reward for giving zakaat would be increased many times over in this month.



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Ramadan Prayer Timetable – 2023/1444 Saugeen Shores, ONTARIO

FINISH EATING 3 MINUTES BEFORE FAJR

DAY	Ramadhan	DATE (Mar - Apr)	FAJR/ SUHOOR	SUNRISE	ZUHR	ASR	MAGHRIB/ IFTAR	ISHA
Thu	1	23	5:46	7:25	1:33	5:50	7:41	9:02
Fri	2	24	5:44	7:23	1:33	5:51	7:42	9:03
Sat	3	25	5:42	7:21	1:32	5:52	7:43	9:05
Sun	4	26	5:40	7:19	1:32	5:53	7:45	9:06
Mon	5	27	5:38	7:17	1:32	5:54	7:46	9:07
Tue	6	28	5:36	7:16	1:31	5:55	7:47	9:09
Wed	7	29	5:34	7:14	1:31	5:56	7:48	9:10
Thu	8	30	5:32	7:12	1:31	5:56	7:49	9:12
Fri	9	31	5:30	7:10	1:31	5:57	7:51	9:13
Sat	10	1	5:28	7:08	1:30	5:58	7:52	9:14
Sun	11	2	5:25	7:06	1:30	5:59	7:53	9:16
Mon	12	3	5:23	7:05	1:30	6:00	7:54	9:17
Tue	13	4	5:21	7:03	1:29	6:01	7:56	9:19
Wed	14	5	5:19	7:01	1:29	6:02	7:57	9:20
Thu	15	6	5:17	6:59	1:29	6:03	7:58	9:22
Fri	16	7	5:15	6:57	1:28	6:03	7:59	9:23
Sat	17	8	5:10	6:56	1:28	6:04	8:01	9:25
Sun	18	9	5:08	6:54	1:28	6:05	8:02	9:26
Mon	19	10	5:06	6:52	1:28	6:06	8:03	9:28
Tue	20	11	5:04	6:50	1:27	6:07	8:04	9:29
Wed	21	12	5:02	6:48	1:27	6:07	8:06	9:31
Thu	22	13	4:59	6:47	1:27	6:08	8:07	9:32
Fri	23	14	4:57	6:45	1:27	6:09	8:08	9:34
Sat	24	15	4:55	6:43	1:26	6:10	8:09	9:36
Sun	25	16	4:53	6:42	1:26	6:11	8:10	9:37
Mon	26	17	4:51	6:40	1:26	6:11	8:12	9:39
Tue	27	18	4:48	6:38	1:26	6:12	8:13	9:40
Wed	28	19	4:46	6:36	1:25	6:13	8:14	9:42
Thu	29	20	4:44	6:35	1:25	6:14	8:15	9:44
Fri	30	21	4:46	6:33	1:25	6:15	8:17	9:45

*Tentative dates for the first and last days of Ramadan and Eid depending on SHAR'I verified moon sighting by Port Elgin Islamic Centre.

Date will be decided later for Khatam e Quran Taraweeh /Dinner/Iftaar in Port Elgin PLEX
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Du'aa when breaking the fast:

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي لَكَ صُمْتُ وَبِكَ آمَنْتُ وَعَلَيْكَ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَعَلَى رِزْقِكَ أَفْطَرْتُ

O Allah I have observed fasting only for your sake and with what you have provided me I have broken my fast

Laylatul Qadr

Allah has given Rasulallah (SAW) and his Ummah a night of immense value. The name of this night is Laylatul Qadr (the night of Majesty and Glory). The reward of performing worship in this night is more than one thousand months. Allah (SWT) showers his servants with mercy and many great blessings. This night can be in any of the odd nights in the last ten nights of Ramadan. The possibility of this night being on the twenty-seventh is the greatest. One should utilize this night according to one's maximum capability in worshipping Allah, reciting the Quran, making dhikr of Allah, glorifying Allah, making salawaat (durood) on our Prophet (SAW), begging Allah's favors, and in seeking forgiveness from Allah.

Du'aa upon Sighting the Crescent

اللَّهُمَّ أَهْلَهُ عَلَيْنَا بِالْيَمْنِ وَالْإِيمَانِ
وَالسَّلَامَةِ وَالْإِسْلَامِ وَالتَّوْفِيقِ لِمَا نَحِبُّ
وَتَرْضَى رَبِّي وَرَبَّكَ اللَّهُ

O Allah! Let this new moon (Hilaal) appear to us with good luck, faith, safety and Islam and with the guidance of performing deeds which you like and approve. Your Lord (O Moon!) and my Lord is Allah. (Tirmidhi)

Du'aa when starting the fast:

وَبِصَوْمِ غَدٍ نُوَيْتُ مِنْ شَهْرِ رَمَضَانَ

I intend to keep the fast for tomorrow in the month of Ramadan