

# Etiquette of using the mosque

## *Etiquette of using a mosque for Muslims*

1. Wear clean and modest clothes. Clean does not mean new but washed and fresh clothes.
2. Wear perfume that gives gentle fragrance. Some fragrance can be too strong for some people so it's best to wear a moderate type and level of perfume.
3. Brush your teeth before you make wudu, especially if you have smoked cigarettes (you shouldn't be smoking in the first place) or eaten strong smelling food.
4. Enter the mosque with wudu (ablution). It's best to make wudu at home.
5. Walk or cycle to the mosque where possible but if you drive to the mosque please park your car responsibly. Do not obstruct other vehicles and/or gates.
6. Be respectful and mindful of the neighbours, especially the school. Our place of worship does not have to be a place of inconvenience for others.
7. Always keep children below the age of fourteen under the supervision of parents or a designated adult. Children should not be left to play outside on the grounds by themselves. Children should stand with their family members when standing for prayers in rows.
8. This mosque will always offer equal access to male and female members of the community and will never prevent anyone from attending the mosque.
9. When you enter the mosque please make du'a of entry to the mosque

اللَّهُمَّ افْتَحْ لِي أَبْوَابَ رَحْمَتِكَ

"Allahumma iftah li abwaab rahmatika"

"O Allah, open to me the gates of Your mercy."

10. Place your shoes on the shoe rack and not on the floor. Shoes left on the floor at the entrance is trip hazard.

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- 11.** Perform two rak'ah of tahiyyat Al-Masjid - a voluntary prayer that the Prophet (SAW) recommended but only to be performed if no obligatory congregational prayer or Friday sermon is taking place.
- 12.** Keep the mosque clean, including taking your rubbish with you. It's the house of Allah so please treat it with respect.
- 13.** If you are using the mosque bathroom (toilet/wudu space) please leave it like you would like to find it in the first place.
- 14.** Lower your voice and keep it low all the time. You are allowed to greet each other or shake hands and give hugs. You are allowed to speak inside the mosque but not so loudly that it disturbs others around you.
- 15.** Inside the mosque you can engage in beneficial conversation as long as it is done quietly.
- 16.** Remember the Prophet (SAW) prayed obligatory prayer (fard) at the mosque and optional prayer (sunnah and nawafil) at home.
- 17.** While you are inside the mosque you should focus on adhkar (remembrance of Allah), recitation of the Quran, reflection and seeking knowledge.
- 18.** When leaving the mosque make the du'a of leaving the mosque

اللَّهُمَّ إِنِّي أَسْأَلُكَ مِنْ فَضْلِكَ

"Allahumma inni asaluka min fadlik"  
"O Allah, I ask you for your favor."