

Wudhu

KEY TERMS

Fard: An act that is obligatory, so it must be performed.

Wajib: An act that is necessary and is as important as a fard act.

Sunnah: An act which our Prophet Mohammed (Sallallahu Alyahi Wasalam) has done or liked.

Haram: An act which is forbidden.

Makrooh: An act which is disliked.

Faraidh of Wudhu

There are 4 faraidh of wudhu, which we must perform. If any of these 4 actions are left out, then wudhu will not count. Salah will **NOT** be accepted by Allah (Subhana Watala) if wudhu is not complete.

The Four Faraid of Wudhu

1. To wash the entire face from the top of the forehead to the bottom of the chin and from one earlobe to the other earlobe.

2. To wash both of the arms from the finger tips up to and including the elbows.

3. To perform Masah. This means to wet both hands and wipe at least a quarter of the head.

4. To wash both feet including the ankles and up to the toes.

Sunnah Acts of Wudhu

There are many Sunnah acts in wudhu and if one performs them, they will be rewarded. If one leaves out a sunnah, their wudhu will be complete but they will not receive complete reward. The Prophet (Sallallahu Alyahi Wasalam) said that:

“The one who performs wudhu thoroughly, their sins are removed by Allah (Subhana Watala).”

What are the Sunnah acts of Wudhu?

1. To make Niyyah (Intention).
2. To say the Tasmiyah.
3. To wash both of the hands, including the wrists, three times.
4. To clean the teeth using Miswak.
5. To gargle and wash the mouth three times.
6. To clean the inside of the nose three times using water.
7. To wash each limb three times.
8. To make Masah of the whole head once.
9. To make Khilaal of the beard. Meaning to pass wet fingers through the beard.
10. To make Masah of both ears once.
11. To wash the parts included in Wudhu in the correct order.
12. To make Khilaal of the fingers and toes.
13. To begin washing each part with the right side.

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Benefits

The Prophet (Sallallahu Alayhi Wasalam) has said...

- 'Whoever makes perfect Wudu his/her past and future sins will be forgiven.'
- 'The one who recites 'Bismillahi Walhamdulillah' **before Wudu**, angels will write good deeds for that person.'
- 'Whoever makes Wudu properly and then recites the second Kalimah **after Wudu** all 8 doors of heaven are opened for him/her.'
- 'The person who begins Wudu by saying 'Bismillah,' his whole body from head to toe gets cleansed and the person who does not begin their Wudu by saying 'Bismillah' only the portion of his body gets cleansed.'
- 'When a person performs Wudu and washes his hands, the sins of his hands are washed away; when he washes his face, the sins of his face are washed away, when he wipes his head, the sins of his head are washed away and when he washes his feet, the sins of his feet are washed away.'

What breaks Wudhu?

1. The passing of urine, stool or the passing of the wind.
2. Vomiting a mouthful.
3. Following blood or pus from the body.
4. Sleeping.
5. Fainting.
6. Laughing loudly in Salah.

Activity 1

Can you tell the method of Wudhu to somebody in your family?

Activity 2

1. Aisha was playing outside on her bike. She fell down and broke her arm. She now has a cast on her arm.

How should she do Wudhu?

2. Adam has a cut on his arm. He could see blood, but it is not flowing.

Does his Wudhu count?