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Assalaamu Alikum Warahmatullah Wabrakaatuh

The Eid Prayer was made Wajib to show the dignity and nobility of the Islam and that's why it is necessary for a communal gathering for Eid Prayer. But due to the deadly Coronavirus Pandemic the government has suspended all kinds of religious and any other types of gatherings. This suspension hasn't been made because it's against Islam, it's so that human lives could be saved. Due to this Shar'ee Excuse, it's not possible to gather Muslims to pray Eid Prayer at the Mosque or Eidgaah.

## **In the current situation, Muslims in Britain should follow these guidelines:-**

1. Muslims in Britain should follow the rules and regulations set by the government for Eid Prayer. These are that Muslims should avoid praying in public places like mosque, parks or halls.
2. Like in Jummah prayer, the Eid prayer should be prayed similarly at the Mosque with safety precautions taken by Imam and three other staff members.
3. If the Eid prayer can be arranged at home and ONLY the household members are sufficient to pray the Eid Prayer, then it should be performed at home.

### **\*How to perform Eid Prayer\***

- If praying Eid Prayer at home, then we should start by making intention of praying two Rakah wajib with six extra Takbeers.
- We will pray by performing three Takbeers in the first Rakah before Surah Fateha. In this instance, we will say Allahu Akbar and raise our hands to the ears and release our hands from tying. Second time we say Allahu Akbar and also raise and leave our hands by the side. Third time we say Allahu Akbar and raise our hands also but this time we fasten then like we do for Salaah. The rest of the prayer will be prayed normal similar to any prayer.

- However, the second set of three Takbeers will be performed in the second Rakah before the Ruku and after reciting the Surah. Similarly the hands will be raised once the Takbeer is said first time, and then the second time and the third time also. On the fourth occasion of saying Takbeer, instead of raising hands we will go into Ruku. The rest of the prayer will be performed normal.
4. Since there is no alternative prayer for Eid prayer, if there is no possibility of praying Eid Prayer at home, then we should pray four Rakah Nafal for the time of Chaasht(DhuHaa).  
This is also a great reward, as narrated by Hadhrat Ibn Masud RA from the Beloved Prophet SAW that “quality promise and great reward.”
  5. We should pray to Allah and seek forgiveness. We should pray our Mosques are reopen again and our gatherings could be possible again. We should pray and hope that this pandemic becomes a means of guidance onto the right path for us. Ameen

Wassalaam

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