

The conditions of Hijab in Islam

ACCORDING TO THE QURAN AND SUNNAH

A QUICK SNIPPET



1. It should cover all the body apart from whatever has been exempted.

"O Prophet! Tell your wives and your daughters and the women of the believers to draw their cloaks (veils) all over their bodies (i.e. screen themselves completely except the eyes or one eye to see the way). That will be better, that they should be known (as free respectable women) so as not to be annoyed. And Allah is Ever Oft-Forgiving, Most Merciful."



2. It should not be an adornment in and of itself.

"During the last days of my ummah, there will be women who are clothed but naked,.." (Narrated by Muslim from the report of Abu Hurayrah)



3. It should be thick and not transparent or see-through

"During the last days of my ummah, there will be women who are clothed but naked, with something on their heads like the humps of camels. Curse them, for they are cursed. Another hadith adds: They will not enter Paradise or even smell its fragrance, although its fragrance can be detected from such and such a distance." (Narrated by Muslim from the report of Abu Hurayrah)



4. It should not be perfumed with fragrance.

Abu Musa al-Ash'ari said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: Any woman who puts on perfume then passes by people so that they can smell her fragrance, is an adulteress.

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5. It should be loose, not tight so that it describes any part of the body.

Usamah ibn Zayd said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) gave me a thick Egyptian garment that was one of the gifts given to him by Dihyah al-Kalbi, and I gave it to my wife to wear. He said, Why do I not see you wearing that Egyptian garment? I said, I gave it to my wife to wear. He said, Tell her to wear a gown underneath it, for I am afraid that it may describe the size of her bones." (Narrated by al-Diya al-Maqdisi in al-Ahadith al-Mukhtarah, 1/442, and by Ahmad and al-Bayhaqi, with a hasan isnad)



6. It should not resemble the dress of men.

Abu Hurayrah said: The Messenger of Allah (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) cursed the man who wears women's clothes, and the woman who wears men's clothes.



7& 8 . It should not resemble the dress of kaafir women It should not be a garment of fame and vanity.

"And not to show off their adornment." [al-Nur 24:31]

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