



WASHING THE DECEASED

GUSAL -AL-MAYYIT



Preparation Checklist

Gusal should be performed by individuals in a state of wudu.

For your own protection, wear gloves, aprons & any other protective clothing as provided.

Secure complete privacy.

*Once all persons carrying out the gusal are in the room, **close** the main doors & refrain people from arriving or leaving freely & casually. Privacy & dignity of the deceased is to be upheld at all times.*

Place the deceased on the table.

Ensure that a covering cloth or sheet is placed over the aurah of the deceased before taking up the removal of all the attire.

The head & upperbody of the deceased should be elevated slightly.

Ensure water & all additional fluids are always washed away from the body & not back towards.

Remove any items or objects that may be on the deceased.

If there are any open wounds with seeping blood or other fluids then this must be padded or dressed adequately.

Ensure the water is ready & warm.

Check & make sure the water is to temperture & all other items are ready so to ensure a smooth & dignified gusal process.

ORDER OF MALE KAFN

Qamis
Izar
Lifafah

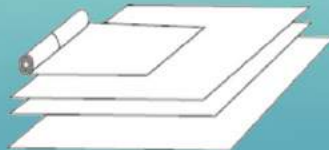


How the Qamis should be cut & folded



ORDER OF FEMALE KAFN

Orhni (not shown)
Qamis
Izar
Sina'band
Lifafah



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START WITH BISMILLAH



PRIVACY & CLEAN PRIVATE PARTS



PERFORM WUDU



WASH THE BODY ODD NUMBER OF TIMES



DRY THE BODY AND SHROUD

GUSAL KEY POINTS

1. Clean away any impurities from the body using warm water. Mainly around the aurah area but can be elsewhere on the body.

2. Press lightly on the stomach of the deceased to expel any impurities. Now wash the body of all impurities using water and then wash the (covered) private parts (change of gloves is recommended).

3. Perform wudu for the deceased with the exception of inserting the water in the nose and in the mouth. (You may use a piece of wet cotton wool to clean nose and front teeth).

4. Wash the body with water and soap starting from the head (hair, face and beard for men); then the upper right side of the body, then the left side; after that the lower right side then the lower left. In the case of a female, her hair should be loosened, washed, combed, and be braided in three braids, and placed behind her back this-wash should be done an odd number of times - with 3 being the minimum.

5. In the last wash, the washer may use camphor in water, to pour over the body and ittar/perfume to be placed on the forehead, nose, hands. The body should now be dried and covered with a clean sheet. (The aurah must be kept covered at all times).