

Taraweeh Etiquette

Personal Hygiene

Among the etiquette of the Masjid, Rasulullah ﷺ was most particular about personal hygiene. It was the standing command of Rasulullah ﷺ that anyone who ate from an offensive, odour-producing vegetable like onions or garlic must not enter the Masjid at the time of Salaah.

Rasulullah ﷺ states: **Whoever eats from this foul smelling vegetable must not come near our Masjid.**

(Muslim)

Many Masaajid are faced with the following issues:

- × **Individuals who continuously burp throughout the Taraweeh Salaah thereby producing foul odours and offending their fellow Musallees.**
- × **Individuals who smoke and do not take measures to eliminate the smell from their mouths and bodies.**
- × **Individuals with poor hygiene who fail to cleanse themselves thoroughly before Salaah.**

Generally, people shy away from pointing out issues of hygiene, thus we should each introspect and adopt corrective measures if necessary.

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