

Sitting in Masjids with feet stretched towards Qiblah

The fourth question of Fatwa No. 5795

Q: What is the ruling on a person who stretches out his feet in the direction of the Qiblah (direction faced for Prayer towards the Ka`bah)

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in a Masjid (Mosque)? Also, is it permissible to eat and sleep in a Masjid?

A: There is no harm if a Muslim stretches out his feet in the direction of the Qiblah whether in a Masjid or any other place. Likewise, there is no harm to eat or sleep in a Masjid when necessary but the Masjid should be kept clean. However, if a Muslim experiences a wet dream while sleeping inside a Masjid, he should leave it to perform Ghusl (ritual bath following major ritual impurity).

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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