

Salah performed individually

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The fourth question of Fatwa no. 2601:

Q 4: It is claimed that it is impermissible for a latecomer to Salah (prayer) who finds rows complete to pull someone out of the last row to stand beside him. In such case, being not permitted to stand alone in a row, such a person will have to wait for another latecomer which may cause him to miss the congregational Salah and offer Salah individually.

A: If someone enters a Masjid (mosque) after the Iqamah has been announced to find rows complete, he should do his best to join one row. If it is not feasible, he should stand contiguous to the Imam to the right. If it is also unfeasible, he should wait until another latecomer comes and form a new row together. If this is unfeasible too, he should offer the Salah individually after the congregational Salah has ended.

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

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