

There are 13 things called the fard parts which have to be fulfilled for the Salah to be valid and proper.

Outside 7: Seven of these are prerequisites which must be fulfilled before the commencement of the Prayer.

- 1. **Cleanness of Body:** The body has to be cleaned of all sorts of impurities, whether these are impurities in effect or impurities in fact, and one must have obtained purity either Wudu or if needed be through Shower (Gosl).
- 2. Cleanness of Garments: All the garments even the cap, socks, gloves etc., that one is wearing or having on one's body must be clean and pure beyond any shadow of a doubt.
- 3. Cleanness of Place: The minimum requirement is that the place where one intends to stand and where one's knees and forehead would rest in Sizdah, must be clean, whether it is a piece of a plain ground or floor or a mat etc., but one should also avoid standing for the Prayer at a place which is stinking with filth and dirt around it.

- 4. **Covering of Satr:** For males it is the part of the body between the navel and the knee, and for females it's the whole body excluding the face, hands and feet. Women should see that the ankles do not uncovered.
- 5. Ascertaining the right time for a Prayer: Each Prayer has to be performed within the time limit prescribed for it. If a Prayer is performed before its time, it will be no Prayer at all. Three times performed Prayer is Haram: 1. The sun raising time, 2. The midday and 3. the sun setting time.
- 6. **Facing the Qiblah:** If a person perform his Prayer with his face turned towards a direction other than that of the Qiblah, unless there is genuine reason for that, his Prayer will not be deemed to have been performed.