

### If Urine Drips when in Sajdah

Q: Salaah-569: A woman is sixty years old and a few drops of urine drip when she is in Sajdah. The urine however does not drip when she sits and performs salaah. What is she to do?

Answer: If in the stated case urine does not drip when she is in Qiyaam and perform should start the salaah standing, perform Ruku and then perform the Sajdah by indications while standing. She may also sit and perform Sajdah by indications while sitting. The Fuqaha prefer making Sajdah by indications while sitting rather than when standing. The Sajdah by indications will be to bend more than when indicating for Ruku.

Ghaayatul Awtaar states that Qiyaam is Fardh (obligatory) for the person who can stand. When a person can stand but is unable to perform Sajdah, it is preferable for him to sit and to perform the Sajdah by indications while sitting because Qiyaam is a means to the Sajdah and when the object cannot be carried out, the means may also be left out. Imaam Tahtaawi RAH. concludes from this that it is also permissible to perform by indications while standing. Similarly, it is permissible for a person to perform Sajdah by indications while standing when his wound will flow in Sajdah. Such a person is incapable of performing Sajdah because the Sajdah will cause his wudhu to be nullified. Therefore, since the Sajdah is waived, so too will the Qiyaam be waived.

Ghaayatul Awtaar further states that if both Ruku and Sajdah are impossible, then it is best to perform the Ruku and Sajdah by indications while sitting rather than while standing because the seated person is closer to the ground and therefore closer to the Sajdah posture. The Sajdah in this case will not be valid if the indication is not more pronounced than the indication of Ruku. The commentator of the text explains that not being able to perform the Ruku and Sajdah is not a condition, but the inability to perform even the Sajdah is a condition and not the inability to stand. And Allaah knows best what is most correct.

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