

Question 31) - Sometimes a rat is found and it was not known when it died. People have used its water for Wudu for Salah, washing clothing, vessels and other items. What should they now do?

If the rat has not become puffed or disintegrated they should repeat the Salah of a day and night and rewash anything which was washed with that water. If the rat has puffed or disintegrated, then according to Imaam Abu Hanifa RA they should repeat the Salah of three days and nights. Imaam Abu Yusuf ~ and Imaam Muhammed RA say that they do not have to repeat anything until it is established when the rat fell. This is easier. Imaam Abu Hanifa's opinion is safer, Allah's mercy be on them all.

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