



Birmingham Council of Mosques (BCM) guidance for conducting funerals during the Covid-19 pandemic.

BCM has outlined key steps for mosques to follow when conducting funerals on their premises – which includes prayer halls, car parks or any other part of the mosque building/grounds.

- 1- Mourners will be required to perform ablution (wudu) at home, as ablution facilities will NOT be accessible at the mosque
- 2- Mosques will need to put in place a one-way system guided by tape markings and signs in order to maintain social distancing. All individuals will have to adhere to the one-way system in order to enter/exit prayers halls and the mosque
- 3- Mosques will need to have in place markings where mourners will stand for the Janazah prayer. This can be done marking an “X” on the floor using tape; there must be a 2m distance between the “X” marking from left, right, in front and behind
- 4- Mosques will keep all windows and doors open for ventilation purposes
- 5- All mourners will be required to place their shoes in a bag and place them in close proximity to themselves when reading the Janazah prayer. Mosques will be required to provide the bags
- 6- The mosque will be required to have “hand cleansing stations” upon the entrance and exit of the mosque and prayer halls
- 7- Mourners will be encouraged to wear face masks during the duration of the Janazah prayer
- 8- Mosques will be required to clean and disinfect all areas where the Janazah prayer took place
- 9- Any individuals with symptoms of Covid-19 should be self-isolating and MUST NOT attend the mosque for the Janazah prayers