

Islamic Organization of North America

Rules of Conduct

The Islamic Organization of North America (IONA) has established its center and masjid to assist Muslims in carrying out their religious obligations and duties. IONA is operated and maintained by its general members and board of directors. All events are planned and implemented by IONA's management team. We kindly ask you to observe of the following rules.

1. Please observe all the masjid's etiquettes in accordance with the Sunnah of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW).
2. The Prophet said cleanliness is half the faith. Therefore, it is your responsibility to keep the masjid, social hall, bathrooms, library, etc. clean and orderly.
3. Food and drink are only allowed outside the prayer halls.
4. Cell phones MUST be turned off in the prayer halls to ensure full concentration of others during salah and other acts of worship.
5. As ordained by the shariah, IONA prohibits mixing of the sexes on its premises.
6. Prayer halls are for worship only. We encourage socialization outside the prayer halls.
7. Proper attire (loose fitting clothes) for both men and women is required. Men are to cover from neck to ankles and are not allowed to enter with shorts. Women must observe Islamic dress code, including head covering. Non-Muslim guests shall also exercise modesty. Shorts or short skirts are not allowed. Covering the head is highly recommended.
8. To avoid disturbance of your fellow worshippers, avoid wearing shirts with pictures and/or writings on them.
9. In accordance with the Sunnah of the Prophet, Muslim women may not wear perfume to the masjid.
10. Menstruating women may stay in the back of the prayer hall for Jumu'ah prayer to listen to the sermon.
11. To avoid tripping and injury, shoes must be placed on the racks at all times.
12. Only authorized persons may call the Azan and lead the prayers.
13. In order to maintain the prophetic tradition, activities such as birthdays, Qur'an khawani, mawlid nabi, etc. are not allowed at IONA.
14. Solicitation (flyers, vendors, etc.) is allowed in the center only with the express permission of IONA's management.
15. Any person who falsely sets off the fire alarm will be fined \$500. Parents are responsible for false alarms caused by their children.
16. Parents are responsible for keeping their children under control to avoid the disturbance of others.
17. Permission is required to rent the social hall. You must apply at least a month prior to the event. Call management for rental fees. The kitchen may be used for catered food only.
18. The IONA offices in the back of the building are off limits to the public. Only authorized personnel may access the offices. Appointments may be made during office hours, 9 am to 5 pm.
19. Please observe the library rules as posted therein.
20. Keep your valuables and personal belongings with you at all times. IONA will not be responsible for any loss of personal property.
21. For your safety, IONA installed surveillance cameras in the building. Please report any suspicious activities immediately to the management by calling (586) 558-6900.
22. Be courteous to our neighbors while entering and exiting the parking lot. Park properly and in assigned parking spots only. No parking is allowed in the neighbors' lots or streets.
23. Car pooling is highly encouraged to lessen congestion, particularly during Jumu'ah, Ramadan, and Eid times.
24. Smoking is strictly prohibited in the building.
25. Occasionally the Isha salah may be delayed due to activities at the center and/or da'wah programs.