



In the name of Allah, The Beneficent, The Merciful

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Selden Masjid Policy (During the Covid-19 pandemic -- Updated March 2021)

AsalamuAlaikum,

Our policy below is to ensure the safety of our community and compliance with rules and regulations imposed by New York State for places of worship.

Please note that we will require **strict adherence to the policy below** in order to comply with the law. You will be denied admission or will be asked to leave if you are not in strict compliance - **PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:**

General:

- 5 times daily prayers with a maximum limit of 145 for men, women and children combined.
- There will be **NO wudu facilities** provided. Please perform wudu before coming to the Masjid.
- Praying sunnah at the Masjid is allowed for 5 daily prayers, **except for the Friday prayer.**
- **Face covering (mask, etc.) is required.** You must bring your own “clean” prayer rug.
- Everyone must sign-in before entering the prayer hall. This is per contact tracing guidelines from NYS.
- Doors will open few minutes before each prayer time. You should use the hand sanitizer after **you sign-in** and when you leave the Masjid. We have installed several hand sanitizers throughout the Masjid.
- We have marked spots where you need to lay down your prayer rug. **This is important to observe necessary social distancing.**
- Social distancing of 6 feet must always be maintained, including when entering/exiting the building and while inside the Masjid. No socializing within the building or in the parking lot. No handshakes/hugs.
- Women and children under 13 are allowed for 5 times daily prayers **only, no Friday prayer** at this time.
- **DO NOT come to the Masjid if you have or had any Covid-19 or flu type symptoms in the past 14 days OR if you have been in contact with a Covid-19 positive or suspect patient.**

Jumu’ah (Friday) & Eid Prayer (*in addition to above mentioned “General” rules*):

- There will be three Friday prayers – Please check the website section for Jumu’ah prayer timings.
- There will be a limit of 145 individuals inside the Masjid. We will try to accommodate as many as we can outside – **PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN PRAYER RUG.**
- Volunteers will take the temperature reading using a no-contact temporal thermometer. Anyone above 99 degrees Fahrenheit will not be admitted for the safety of other musalleen.
- **NO sunnah prayer** before or after the Friday prayer inside the Masjid, except for the last Jumu’ah prayer. You must leave premises right after the end of the Jumu’ah (Friday) prayer. As per the Prophet Muhammad’ (PBUH) recommendation, the best place for a person to do their Sunnah is at home.
- **Women and children under 13** are **NOT** allowed at this time due to the limit for the capacity while observing social distancing. In addition, Jumu’ah and Eid prayers are not obligatory for women.
- **You must follow directions from security guards, parking attendants and designated volunteers.**

IALI (Selden Masjid) Administration reserves the right to amend above mentioned policy (requirements/restrictions) without any advance notice. These measures are needed not only for the compliance with the law but also for the safety and wellbeing of our community.