## 235 - Islamic Dress Code for Females

## the question

Being a Muslim woman, how must they wear their attire to say that she is a Muslim woman?

## Summary of answer

Some of the requirements of the Islamic dress code for females are: 1- It should cover the whole body; 2- It should be thick enough (to conceal the skin); 3- It should be loose and not tight; 4- It should not be decorated; 5- It should not be perfumed.

## **Detailed answer**

Praise be to Allah.

Scholars have specified the requirements of the Muslim-woman's proper dress before al-ajanib (lit. foreigners, i.e., those to whom marriage is permissible) from both the Glorious Quran and the Sunnah.

Once a woman adheres to such conditions, she can wear whatever she likes and go out into public places so long as her hijab complies with the Islamic law.

A summary of the requirements of the Islamic dress code for females is as follows:

- 1. It should cover the whole body.
- 2. It should be thick enough, i.e. non-transparent or translucent.
- 3. It should be loose and not tight on her body.
- 4. It should not be decorated or ornate such as to attract onlookers.
- 5. It should not be perfumed.
- 6. It should not be considered libas al-shuhrah.
- 7. It should not resemble the dress of men.

- 8. It should not resemble the dress of the unbelievers.
- 9. It should not bear crosses or depictions of anything with a soul (humans, animals, etc.)

This is a summary of the requirements of the Islamic dress code for women according to the Islamic Shari'ah.

For more, please see these answers: 7436, 13245, 114050, and 20475.

And Allah knows best.

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