Summary of How to Perform Umrah (for Qiraan Hajj)

1. Wearing the Ihraam

Before wearing the ihraam a person should cleanse them self's. This involves clipping the finger and toe nails, shaving off the hair from under the armpits & pubic hair. Then make ablution (wudu) or preferably taking a complete bath (ghusl), to comb their beard and hair. Now we can wear the Ihraam. This has to be done before The Meeqaat (boundary Zones) for Umrah and Hajj. It's best for men to wear the Ihraam at the airport and the women to be prepared in the house. Avoid doing this on the plane as it's very uncomfortable. Ihraam must be put on well before reaching Jeddah.

Men should wear **two white sheets**, keep their **head uncovered** and walk in flip-flops that should not cover majority of the feet especially the raised bone of your foot. Men should keep both shoulders covered at present. Women can wear any type of permissible clothes and shoes but must ensure their feet are covered. They must also ensure their head is covered. If women want to cover their face they must ensure the cloth does not touch the face.

2. Perform 2 Rakats after Wearing Ihraam (SUNNATUL-IHRAAM), Niyyah & Talbiyyah

Then we should pray **2 rakats prayer** (Namaz) **for the Ihraam**. Make sure you are not reading this prayer in a makrooh time. After this whilst sitting just after saying Salaam make the Niyyah (intention) for Umrah and Hajj

'Oh Allah, I intent to perform umrah and hajj, render it easy for me, and accept it from me'

Then Read TALBIYYAH 3 times, Durood Shareef 3 times and then make dua (supplication). TALBIYYAH is

('Labbayk Allahumma labbayk, labbayka laa shareeka laka labbayk, innal hamda wan-ni'matah laka wal-mulk, laa shareeka lak")

Then go to Makkah and read Talbiyyah constantly until you enter the Masjid Al Haram.

All the **RESTRICTIONS OF IHRAAM** now **apply** (not wearing perfume, clipping nails or hair, hunting etc)

3. Perform Tawaaf - with Idh-Tibaa and Ramal for Men Only

Before starting the tawaaf the MEN should make **IDH-TIBAA**. This is done by taking one end of the Ihraam to the left in such a way that the back left shoulder and left arm are completely covered and so the right arm is entirely exposed. **THEN BEFORE** starting **TAWAAF** say the **NIYYAH** for the tawaaf standing aligned to the **Hajarul – Aswad (black stone)**. This is **obligatory**. The Niyyah is:

'Oh Allah, I intent performing tawaaf around your sacred house with 7 circuits for you, render this easy for me & accept it from me'

After saying the Niyyah then raise both hands to the lobe of the ears toward the black stone and say 'bismillahi Allahu Akbar wa-lillaahil hamd' kiss your hands and drop them. This is known as Istillam and will be done 8 times during a tawaaf which consists of 7 circuits. Then make a right turn and begin the tawaaf. Each circuit begins at the black stone and ends at the black stone. This has to be done 7 times. In the first 3 circuits men have to perform RAMAL which is walking fast in a hurry. In the other 4 circuits walk normally. AFTER PERFORMING TAWAAF COVER THE BOTH SHOULDERS AGAIN.

4. Praying 2 Rakats behind Makam Ibrahim

Once you have finished your tawaaf you should read 2 rakats salaah (prayer) of the tawaaf. This can be done anywhere but is more rewarding if done behind Makam Ibrahim. This salaah is waajib and must be read. You must read 2 rakats salaah for the tawaaf after any tawaaf you perform as its waajib. Make sure you are not reading this prayer in a makrooh time.

5. Perform Sa'ee between Safa and Marwah (7 circuits) & Shave Hair of Head

This starts at Safa and eventually ends at Marwah. At the safa rock say the nivyah for sa'ee which is:

'Oh Allah I intend performing sa'ee between Safa & Marwah, 7 circuits for you, therefore make it easy for me and accept it:

Between the green pillars men should run with medium pace. Stop to make dua each time at Safa and Marwah (from Safa to Marwah is 1 circuit). Once the sa'ee is complete please DO NOT TAKE YOUR IHRAAM OFF. Also DO NOT SHAVE OR TRIM YOU HAIR as you have to remain in a state of Ihraam till 10th Zul Hijja after your animal has been slaughtered (Qurbani).

Only after the **Qurbani** on **10th Zul Hijja** should men should shave their head and women should cut a portion of their hair as much as the first joint of the forefinger (little more than 2.5cm). Then you can also take off your Iharam. So for the moment please keep on the same Ihraam till after the Qurbani on 10th Zul Hijja.

Summary of How to Perform Hajj Qiraan Over 5 Days'

In this Hajj we perform an Umrah and Hajj in **THE ONE SAME IHRAAM**. We first perform Umrah & then keep on that Ihraam until Hajj ends. The only difference will be that when making intention for Umrah you will also make intention for hajj. So Wear Ihraam and read 2 rakats for Ihraam. Then after salaam whilst sitting we must **make the intention for Hajj and umrah**. (Oh Allah I intend to perform **HAJJ AND UMRAH**, make it easy for me and accept it from me). Read **TALBIYYAH 3 times**, **Durood Shareef 3 times** and then make dua (supplication). Now all the Ihraam restrictions apply till the end of Hajj. Everything else in performing the umrah will be same. To find out how to perform Umrah refer to the other side. Below is how to read the **TALBIYYAH**:

('Labbayk Allahumma labbayk, labbayka laa shareeka laka labbayk, innal hamda wan-ni'matah laka wal-mulk, laa shareeka lak")

It's also more rewarding for the person doing Qiraan Hajj to perform the Hajj sa,ee before Hajj starts on 8th Zul Hijjah. So anytime after doing your umrah you would go and perform a tawaaful – qudoom. Read 2 rakats for the tawaaf and then perform the **Sa'ee for Hajj** between Safaa and Marwah. You will then not have to do this sa'ee on 10th Zul Hijjah.

Day 1 8th Zul Hijjah Go To Mina

After the Isha prayer you will go to MINA and read 5 PRAYERS in MINA (Zhur, Asr, Magrib, Isha & Fajir)

Day 2 9th Zul Hijjah Go To Arafah

From MINA BEFORE the ZHUR prayer time we must reach ARAFAH. At the latest we must reach ARAFAH before the MAGRIB prayer. If this is not done then Hajj cannot be completed and will have to be done again next year.

Read 2 Prayers in ARAFAH (ZHUR and ASR). MAGRIB PRAYER IS NOT READ IN ARAFAH

At Magrib time leave Arafah and go to MUZDALIFAH. The MAGRIB and ISHA prayers will be read at MUZDALIFAH together. Read each prayer individually. First read Magrib prayer separately & then read the Isha prayer separately. However there will only be one Azan and one Takbeer. There will be no takbeer or Azaan for Isha. There is no sunnat or nafil read here.

MAGRIB prayer is NOT READ AS KAZA no matter how long it takes to reach MUZDALIFAH. All these issues apply whether reading Namaz individually or with jamaat.

We must stay in MUZDALIFAH till the beginning of Fajir time. DO NOT leave MUZDALIFAH before Fajir time starts (Subah Sadiq) or our stay will not be completed or recognized. Read Fajir prayer in Muzdalifah so it's been prayed

Leave MUZDALIFAH to HEAD FOR MINA again ONLY AFTER FAJIR TIME STARTS.

Day 3 10th Zul Hijjah Busiest Day of Hajj

From MUZDALIFAH go to MINA and 4 things have to be done in the following order (must be done in order)

1. RUMI JAMRAH AL AQABAH STONING THE FIRST JAMRAH

You have to stone the "Big" Shatan (devil) known as Jamarah Al Aqabah. Stone the Jamrah with 7 stones saying "Allahu Akbar" each time. Ensure the stones actually hit the Jamrah, preferably going into the hole/funnel. It's rewarding to do this before Zhur Prayer but can be done up till **Magrib time**. Now we go back to Makkah and do the following things:

2. **SLAUGHTER AN OFFERING (QURBANI)**

Your group leader will let you know when your animal has been slaughtered.

3. **SHAVE HAIR AND TAKE OFF IHRAAM**

ONLY once your animal is slaughtered can you shave or trim the hair and take off your Ihraam You can take off the Ihraam at the hotel in Makkah and wear fresh clothes. Now all prohibitions are removed except having intercourse with your wife. This is only allowed after performing Tawaaf-e-Ziyarat

4. PERFORM TAWAAF-E-ZIYARAT AND SA'EE FOR HAJJ

- Go to Masjidul Haram & make tawaaf of the Kabah (7 circuits). Make Intention before Tawaaf & read 2 rakats for the tawaaf & then perform the **Sa'ee for Hajj** if not done already. **Then Leave Makkah** to **go back to Mina**
- Tawaaf-E-Ziyarat must be performed AT THE LATEST before 12th ZUL HIJJA MAGRIB TIME.

Day 4 & 5 11th & 12th Zul Hijjah Rumi (Stoning) Done for 2 Days

Now you are back in MINA and all you have to do on 11th & 12th Zul Hijjah is pebble all the 3 Jamarah (satan) starting from the small, then middle and then the biggest; using 7 stones for each Jamarah. The most rewarding time to do this is between Zhur & Magrib Prayer each day. However Between Zhur & before Fajir is also ok. After your hajj and days at Mina tawaaful wadaa'— (farewell tawaaf) must be done any time before leaving Makkah. There is no Sa'ee in this tawaaf but you should read 2 rakats for the tawaaf after completing tawaaf. This tawaaf is done in normal clothes. You can still stay in Makkah after doing this tawaaf and perform other tawaafs in normal clothes.