

Late joiners Salat al-Jama'at

- 1- If a person joins the Imam from the beginning of the Prayers or during the time of Surah Al-Fatiha and the other Surah and if it so happens that before he goes into Rukoo (bowing), Imam raises his head from Rukoo, his Prayers will be in order.
 - 2- If a person joins Salah when Imam in his second Raka'at then you follow the Imam in his last Raka'at, you will wait until the Imam has finished reciting the Salam and then you stand up to complete the remaining Raka'at alone.
 - 3- If a person joins Salah when Imam in his third Raka'at then you follow the Imam in his last Raka'at, you will wait until the Imam has finished reciting the Salam and then you stand up to complete the remaining Raka'at alone.
 - 4- When a person joins so late that he finds the Imam is in his last Tashahhud, he would still be able to obtain the reward of Salah al-Jama'at. He should make the intention and say "Allahu-Akbar" (First Takbeer) and sit to join the Tashahhud with the Imam and when the Imam has completed his Salah with the Salam. Then he should stand up and begin to recite Surah Al-Fatiha and the other Surah treating it as the first Raka'at of his Prayers.
- However, if due to some unavoidable circumstance you joins late, then you will read as any Raka'at of al-Jama'at as available and complete the balance on your own.

Note: If a person joins Salah in any Raka'at when Imam raises his head from Rukoo, That Raka'at is not account in your Salah as a Raka'at.