



# MOSQUE, ISLAMIC CENTRES & MADRASSAHS SECURITY AND SAFETY TIPS

## PREPARE AND PLAN

Assess the levels of risk for your buildings, congregation, neighbours and local community. Seek professional advice on protocols for emergencies.



## REPORT THREATS

Immediately document and report all threats, suspicious activities, packages or persons to the police. Remind the congregation to report Islamophobic abuse.

## INSTALL ALARMS & CAMERAS

Install fire (smoke & heat) and security alarm systems that are connected to local police and fire departments where possible.



## KEEP OUTSIDE AREAS CLEAN & VISIBLE

Remove potential fire hazards, such as rubbish and debris and trim shrubs and vines to reduce areas of concealment. Install perimeter floodlights to cover grounds and parking.

## HEALTH & SAFETY

Review all emergency exits, entry points and fire hydrants. All staff need to be aware of emergency protocols and their responsibilities.



## LONG TERM PLANNING

Work with the Police and develop long-term security plans, threat assessments, crisis plans, trainings and drills. Hold annual safety and evacuation drills for all staff and congregation.

## COMMUNICATION

Keep a direct channel of communication open between congregation, staff and management. Keep your website and all social media channels up to date.



## LOCKING UP & SECURING MOSQUE

Ensure the Mosque's exit and entry points are secure and all security equipment is activated. Be extra vigilant during Fajr and Isha prayer.

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

Think local. Police and Fire safety teams are ready to assist if you engage. Always remember to report suspicious activity, attacks and abuse.



## MOSQUE OPEN DAY

Invite the wider community and your non-Muslim neighbours to the Mosque. Be transparent and engaging. This will help foster good relations and remove suspicion.

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