

Dear Community Members,

Assalamu alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuhu,

We like to thank everyone for their cooperation and support throughout the temporary suspension of congregational prayers due to the Covid19 pandemic that leads to the closure of the Masjid. The health and safety of every member of our community and society at large are our individual and collective responsibilities. The board members take the responsibility of reopening the masjid for salat seriously and request members to reciprocate in a similar manner. The prophet (s.a.w) instructed that “every one of you is a shepherd and will be asked about those in your flock... Sahih”

The reopening of the masjid will be done in stages, the first stage is establishing the regular daily prayers, followed with Jummah prayer at a later date.

#### Akron Masjid Policy:

- Masjid board will communicate and share information on re-opening to the community using all accessible platforms at least 48h before reopening.
- **At every salat time**, there **must** be a **health safety coordinator** responsible for ensuring compliance with approved safety guidelines
- The **wudu (ablution) area** will be **closed**
- **No children allowed** who are less than 14 years.
- Everyone coming to the Masjid for salat **must** wear the mask at all time when in the Masjid and may put on gloves
- **Maintain social distance**, prayed **on the marked spot**
- All other **programs remained canceled** except salat
- Masjid **remains closed except** for the designated salat times.
- **Bring your praying mat** when coming for salat
- You are responsible for your prayer mat to be regularly washed, cleaned, and disinfected.
- Sick person, elders with underlining health issues or under-aged children **Should NOT come** to the Masjid for salat
- A maximum of **30 people** will be allowed at every daily salat time other than Jummah prayer. A signup sheet will be available for those interested in attending the daily prayer, details will be posted on the website and Facebook.
- Name and phone number are required for signup to participate in the daily salat prayer.
- signup can be done by sending an email to [Info@akronmasjid.com](mailto:Info@akronmasjid.com)

Other additional guidelines for reopening the Masjid for the daily prayers only includes

- The Masjid carpet will be cleaned, disinfected & deodorized before reopening.
- The Masjid door will be unlocked, 20 mins before Iqama time and locked at the start of the prayer
- Make wudu (ablution) at your home/residence before coming to the Masjid

- On **entering** the Masjid, you will be **scan with a non-contact temperature monitor device** before proceeding to the salat area
- No unnecessary gathering /socializing after every salat in the Masjid.
- A random selection method will be deployed if the number of people who signup for salat exceed 30 and the board decision is will be final.
  
- Additional steps may be considered and implemented if it will help with the safety of everyone.

We strongly recommend every member respectfully adhere to the rules and guidelines to help our community continue to remain safe and healthy. Cooperate with designated volunteers to allow a smooth transition and complete resumption of the Masjid programs over time. Your patience, support, and dua as always will be needed to help overcome this difficult situation.

Sincerely,

Yours in Islam

Akron Masjid Board