Regulations for Visitors Staying at the Islamic Center of Kingston.

Preamble

So many Muslim travelers from Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal, among other locations, stop at The Islamic Center of Kingston (ICK) to perform prayers and rest before resuming their travel. The Islamic Society of Kingston (ISK) feels blessed for being given the opportunity to attend to the comfort of their Muslim brothers and sisters passing by the City of Kingston and wholeheartedly welcome them. Most of these travelers spend only few hours at most at ICK. A few traveler groups, however, come with the intention of staying and sleeping in ICK for a number of days, for *Da'wa* purposes. The Executive Committee of the Islamic Society of Kingston at its meeting of June 10, 2000 approved certain regulations for the usage of ICK by these groups. These regulations are deemed necessary because the design plan of ICK, at the time of its construction, did not include any provision for sleeping accommodations or unrestricted cooking facilities. These regulations have to be strictly observed by those who are granted permission to stay in ICK. Their violation shall result in denying such permission.

Rules and Regulations

- 1. Permission to stay in ICK must be requested no later than three days in advance of the proposed arrival. The request must be sent by e-mail or Fax to both the President of ISK and the ICK Management Coordinator. The request shall include: (i) the name of the group leader, (ii) his address, (iii) his telephone number, (iv) his e-mail address or Fax number, (v) the number of the members of the group, and (vi) the date of arrival and period of stay. If permission is granted, all individuals staying in ICK must, on arrival, register giving their names, addresses and telephone numbers.
- 2. No group shall be permitted to sleep more than three nights.
- 3. Sleeping is absolutely prohibited in the Prayer Hall (Masjid), the Community Hall, or the Office. Sleeping is only permitted in the Children Playroom. Due to the limited capacity of the room and for health reasons, the number of people permitted to sleep in the Playroom is restricted to be no more than SIX.
- 4. The women's area in the Prayer Hall (Masjid) and the women's washrooms are strictly off-limits for males.
- 5. Use of showers is prohibited except for religious obligations (*Ghus*l from *Janabah*).
- 6. No cooking is permitted in the Kitchen. Stoves in the kitchen are to be used **only** for warming up precooked meals and should be cleaned immediately after use.
- 7. Eating is restricted to the kitchen.

Staying in the ICK constitutes an agreement to abide by the above regulations with Allah Subhanahu Wata'aala being The Witness.