

1167 - The wudoo' of one who has something impermeable on his hand etc.

the question

If a person performs wudoo' then finds that

part of his hands etc. is covered with something impermeable, such as paint, that prevents water from reaching his skin, can he go ahead and pray, or does he have to remove it for every obligatory prayer, even though that involves hardship for him?

Detailed answer

The Muslim should make sure that water reaches his skin every time he does wudoo', and he has to remove anything that prevents this. People whose work involves painting and so on can wear something on their hands to prevent them from getting covered with paint.