

Islam Question & Answer

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2 - Wudu while wounded

the question

What should a person do if one of the areas normally washed during wudu' is wounded?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If a person is wounded in one of the areas of wudu' and is not able to cover the wound with a bandage, he should perform wudu' except for the wounded body part, for which he should then perform ablution with sand (tayammum).¹ (Note that this means one performs normal tayammum, not actually placing the sand on the wound itself.)

¹ Al-Mughni ma'a al-Sharh il-Kabeer 1/282.