

## 2069 - You have to wash the hands when washing the arms in wudoo'

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### the question

What is the ruling on a person who washes his arm from the wrist to the elbow, without washing his hand, thinking that washing it at the beginning of wudoo' is sufficient? Does he have to repeat his wudoo'?

### Detailed answer

Praise be to Allaah.

It is not sufficient in wudoo' to limit oneself to washing the forearm only, without washing the palm. When you have finished washing the face, you start by washing the two hands, then wash each arm from the fingertips to the elbows. If you washed them before you washed your face, the first washing is Sunnah, but washing them after washing the face is fard (obligatory). Whoever only washes the arms between the wrists and elbows has not completed the obligatory action that is required of him, so he has to repeat his wudoo' after he finishes it, or he has to wash the parts he has omitted, if he did wudoo' recently, so he has to wash his two hands and what comes after that.