

## **3494 - A person was not sure whether he was in front of the imaam. What is the ruling?**

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### **the question**

If a member of the congregation is not sure whether the place where he was standing was in front of the imaam or not, what is the ruling in this case?

### **Detailed answer**

His prayer is valid, as was stated by al-Shaafa'i. This applies whether he was further ahead of the imaam or behind him.

From Fatawa al-Imam al-Nawawi, p. 58.

But it is not permissible to deliberately stand in a place in front of the imaam. And Allaah knows best.