

Consumer Guidelines For Masah (Wiping Over Socks)

Dexshell guarantees quality and durability of the highest level in each pair of socks that is sold. Based on this, after physical examination and rigorous testing, the following models of DexShell socks have been approved by *Mufti Ebrahim Desai* of *DarulIftaaMahmudiyyah* (South Africa) and www.askimam.org as being suitable for *Masah* (wiping over) in *Wudhu*:

1. Dexshell Wudhu
2. Dexshell Coolvent
3. Dexshell Coolvent Lite
4. Dexshell Ultra Lite

The permissibility of *Masah* (wiping) on socks, according to the *Hanafi Madhab* is based on 5 conditions:

1. The socks should cover both ankles entirely.
2. They should be durable enough that a person can walk with the socks(without shoes) for three miles without tearing to the extent of three small toes.
3. Water should not seep through them when it is poured over them.
4. The socks should remain on the leg without being tied or fastened.
5. Both socks should be independently free of holes to the extent of three small toes.

Dexshell's quality meets all these conditions. However, due to wear and tear, the socks may gradually lose one or more of the above mentioned features, rendering them unsuitable for *Masah* (wiping over). The rate of wear and tear differs from model to model, person to person and according to different climates, terrains and conditions that they are subjected to. Hence, it is impossible to stipulate an exact or approximate period after which the socks may not be suitable for *Masah* (wiping over). Accordingly, it is the responsibility of the consumer to decide whether his/her socks meet the required *Shar'iah* standards or not. Hereunder are guidelines on how to tell when your socks are unsuitable for *Masah*(wiping over):

- Any of the socks tear, rip or develop holes to the extent of three small toes in the foot area. This amount is determined by checking the socks whilst they are on the feet.
- The fabric of the socks thin to such an extent that the skin of the foot is easily visible through the sock.
- The socks lose their firmness and do not hold onto the foot or leg. If the socks are slightly loose, this will not affect the permissibility of *Masah* (wiping over).
- The socks lose their general and collective quality of water resistance to such an extent that water easily reaches the skin. If water reaches the skin due to a small rip or hole(s), the permissibility of *Masah*(wiping over) will not be affected.
- The socks, for some reason, are unable to conceal the ankles.
- If the consumer at any time – after substantial wear and tear - has doubts with regards to the durability of the socks, he should discontinue *Masah* (wiping) over them as a precaution.

Note: Some of the above mentioned guidelines have been outlined as precautionary measures in order to safeguard the consumer's Salaah. Since *Shar'iah* advocates great precaution in matters of *'Ibaadah* (worship), it is preferable to avoid the usage of the socks where one is in doubt.

N.B.: Consumers are advised to purchase the correct size of socks. Incorrect sizes may greatly affect the durability of the socks and lead to them wearing out quicker.

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