



Fatwa No. 1460

Q: If a woman performs Salah (prayer) in congregation with men, is it obligatory for the Imam who leads the Salah to have a special intention for leading them? Will the general intention of the Imam be sufficient for men and women without any details in this regard?

A: The Imam's intention to lead people in Salah is sufficient for those performing Salah behind him. There is no need to have a special intention for women as there is no evidence for doing so. Women used to perform Salah behind the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) and it was not reported that he had a special intention for leading them.

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