



Barakah Rating System - a quantifiable Ibadah for a Green Ramadan

*Certificate: Barakah Rating + a tree planted = Gratitude

This is an excellent opportunity to green our Masjids (and homes), as part of your Ramadan Ibadah.

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*This year ISNA has collaborated with the EPA, Khaleefa, ChicagoMuslimGreenTeam and WisconsinGreenMuslims, by highlighting their green works as a valuable learning resource, in achieving points in the rubric, for greening your Ramadan.

SECTION	Achievable Points	ACTIVITY							Total Achieved Points in 30 days of Ramadan	Comments	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
1	WATER	44 pts	Reduce water use for Ablution (15 pts) - all wudu's for 30 days	Use dishwasher or don't run water while cleaning dishes (5pt)	Use low-flow plumbing fixtures for all faucets, toilets, shower heads. (5pt)	Reduce use of lawn irrigation [if applicable]. (2pt)	Limit water use to brush teeth (2pt)	Collect roof runoff or rainwater in cistern & use for garden (10pts)	Use 'Self watering pots'-Indoor Plants & 'aerated fiber containers/smart pots' for outdoor plants (5pts)	_____PTS	Points for activity per day for 30 days... or try your best.
2	ENERGY	52 pts	Replace light bulbs with LED bulbs. Reduce energy Use light sensors. (5pts)	Checkout the Chicago Muslims Green Team's Green Mosque Project: https://chicagomuslimsgreenteam.org/green-mosque-program 5pts	Use ENERGY STAR Rated Appliances and HVAC units and light fixtures OR achieve a ENERGY STAR rating for Masjid's as established by ISNA's Green Team with the EPA - (10pt)	Initiative: https://wisconsinreenmuslims.org/faithsolar/ 5pt	Switch off lights in unoccupied spaces; use daylighting (2pts)	Unplug TV, appliances, before bed. Reduce use of microwave for cooking - use stovetop. (5pts)	Use solar electricity; PV solar panels installation (20pts)	_____PTS	Points for activity per day for 30 days... or try your best.
3	EARTH	67 pts	Plant a tree(s) or a Plant (15pts)	Build a vegetable Garden: Soil or hydroponics. Three types of soil gardens: Ground, Raised or Container Garden. Use permaculture techniques for a sustainable garden. (20 pts)	Check out the CMGT's YouTube (Green@Home Series) videos at: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZTxbVXHwpPqespE_MNdILuc8oA9twG 10pts	Plant a Rain Garden (and other green infrastructure mechanisms): Faithful Rainwater Harvesting: https://wisconsinreenmuslims.org/farah/ . 10pts	Read herbal qualities of plants and prophetic medicine. i.e. Dandelions - their healing value vs weed (2pt)	Masjid and or city clean programs. (5pts)	Course or lectures on Natural ecosystems, zoonotic diseases, our responsibility. (5pts)	_____PTS	Points for activity per day for 30 days... or try your best.
4	WASTE	65 pts	Use real utensils, cutlery, cups for beverages-Reuse (30pts for 30 days - 1pt daily)	Reduce foods in plastic containers when giving. (5pts)	Recycle all plastics, cans, cardboard, batteries, milk jugs, toilet paper use etc. (5pts)	For bringing own bags for groceries (5pts)	No water bottles. No Styrofoam, no paper towels (10pts)	CMGT's Plan Sleeping Mat Project 10pts https://youtu.be/3uLdsPJYsvA https://chicagomuslimsgreenteam.org/plan-project 5pts	Use natural cleaning products & biodegradable garbage bags (5pts)	_____PTS	Points for activity per day for 30 days... or try your best.
5	HEALTH Mind, Body, Soul	65 pts	Get daily daylight - vitamin D. (1 pt for each walk /Can achieve 30 pts)	Eat healthy as (Sunnah); eat less; eat nutritious Suhur & Iftar foods - 5pts	Buy organic/sustainable or fair-trade products. Eat less meat and more veggies - (5pts)	Kids Activities: https://wisconsinreenmuslims.org/interfaith-poster-contest/ 5pts	Buy preservative & chemical-free products and foods. (5pts)	Read on prophetic medicine, hadith related to Environmental & herbal remedies. (10pts)	Check out the CMGT's YouTube videos (Green Ramadan Series) at: https://youtu.be/eQoqHEA6KpA 5pts	_____PTS	Points for activity per day for 30 days... or try your best.
6	SOCIAL GOOD	57 pts	Take nature walks; breathe in oxygen. Maintain home cleanliness and family. (2 pt for daily/30 days)	Plant a potted plan, tree; make a garden. (5 pts)	Discuss Quranic signs and nature with family? (5pts)	Islamic Board games related to the Environment. (5 pts)	Wudu challenge to use less water. 30 days x 5 prayers= .5pt for each wudu	Teach kids Values of Charity, empathy and giving; and various kinds of Sadaqah i.e. smile, praying for others, removing harm from another's path, kindness, etc....discuss kinds of sadaqah in Islam 10pts	Check out the CMGT's YouTube videos (Green Ayat & Hadith Series) at: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZTxbVXHwpNIfyXSnbRX88I3mXfS6F 5pts	_____PTS	Points for activity per day for 30 days... or try your best.
7	GREEN KUTBAH	30pts	http://www.khaleefa.com/green-khutbah-campaign							_____PTS	ISNA Green initiatives is working with khaleefa for the green khutbah requirements for the rubric. See their link daily for green kutbah's. 1pt for each kutbah.

Barakah Rating System - Point system indicating greenness of activities [Rooted in Quran & Sunnah] through a Praising/Barakah of God as Ibadah. Each point relates to the activity and helps achieve a barakah level. There are 4 Barakah levels. Each level has a certain number of points to achieve in order for that Barakah to be praised.

Barakah Point System:
 30 points = Tasbih (minimum)
 31 - 57 points = Tasbih, Tahmid
 58 - 75 points = Tasbih, Tahmid, Tahlil
 76 - 99 points = Tasbih, Tahmid, Tahlil, Takbir

Barakah's:
 Tasbih - Subhan'Allah
 Tahmid - Alhumdulillah
 Tahlil - La ilaha illa Allah
 Takbir - AllahuAkbar

TOTAL= ___/99