

## Ruling Regarding Renting Clothes To Wear

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What do the scholars say about the issue that some shopkeepers rent out readymade ladies' suits for weddings? Is it permissible for us to rent readymade clothes according to Shariah?

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In the inquired case, it is permissible for you to rent a readymade ladies' suit for wearing in a wedding in exchange for an agreed-upon fee.

As stated in Fatawa Alamgiri:

“اذا استاجرت المرأة درعاً لتلبسه اياماً معلومة ببدل معلوم فهو جائز”

Translation: If a woman rents a shirt (specifically for female) to wear for a known number of days for a known fee, it is permissible.

(Fatawa Alamgiri, Vol. 4, Page 465, Published in Quetta)

It is stated in Bahr-ur-Raiq:

“صح استئجار الدابة والثوب لان المنفعة مقصودة معهودة معلومة”

Translation: It is valid to rent an animal or clothing because the benefit is (from the category of) Maqsoodah (meant in terms of Shariah), customary, and known.

(Al-Bahr-ur-Raiq Sharh Kanz-ud-Daqa'iq,  
Vol. 7, Page 307, Published in Beirut)

In Majallat al-Ahkam al-Adliyah:

”يجوز اجارة الالبسة“

Translation: It is permissible to rent clothes.

(Majallat-ul-Ahkam al-Adliyah, Page 100,  
Published in Karachi)

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Amjad Ali Azami رحمة الله عليه writes in Bahar-e-Shariat:

کپڑے کو پہننے کے لیے کرایہ پر لے سکتا ہے۔“

Translation: One may rent clothes to wear.

(Bahar-e-Shariat, Vol. 3, Page 128,  
Maktaba-tul-Madina Karachi)

**Note:** It is not permissible to lie by claiming these rented clothes as one's own.

والله اعلم عز وجل ورسوله اعلم صلى الله تعالى عليه وآله وسلم

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