

# Zakat al-Fitr

## Application Process

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### PREPARE

Gather your documents (see Document Checklist below).

**QUICK FACT:** Applications submitted with all supporting documents get approved quickly.

- ☐ Unexpired Driver's License, Passport, or Non-Driver Identification Card
- ☐ The amount of your total monthly income
- ☐ The amount of your total monthly expenses

**If you have 3 or more family members, you will also need to bring the following:**

- ☐ Birth Certificates or Social Security Cards to prove family relationship

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### APPLY

Visit the ISB office and fill your application out on a Zakat application tablet.

**QUICK FACT:** If you have all your documents, the digital application takes only 10-15 minutes to complete.

#### ISB Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday and Sunday from 9am-1pm

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3-5 Days

### PAYMENT

If approved, you will receive your Zakat al-Fitr in one of the following ways subject to availability. 1) virtual gift card or 2) direct deposit to your bank account within 3-5 business days.

**QUICK FACT:** Zakat decisions are sent to recipients via email, so be sure to provide a valid email on your application.

# FAQ's

## **Can I submit a paper application?**

ISB no longer accepts paper applications.

## **Can I receive Zakat al-Fitr funds on the same day I submit my application?**

No. The Zakat al-Fitr decision and payment processing time is 3-5 business days.

## **What is the difference between Zakat al-Fitr and Zakat al-Maal?**

Zakat al-Fitr is only given during Ramadaan, is a set amount per person in a family, and requires less documentation and time to apply for. Zakat al-Maal is given throughout the year and can be provided in larger amounts to cover expenses like rent or medical bills, but it requires more documentation and time to qualify.

## **How will I submit my documents with my applications?**

You will use the Zakat Application tablet in the ISB office to photograph all your documents. No pictures of your documents will be stored on the tablet, and ISB will not keep any of your original documents.

## **Do I have to have an interview with a Zakat coordinator?**

No interview is required for Zakat al-Fitr applications.

## **Do I have to come into the ISB office to submit my application?**

All applicants must submit their applications in person.

## **Can I submit my application and bring my documentation in at a later date?**

We cannot accept or process any application that does not have the required documents included at the time of submission.

## **What are the ISB office hours?**

Monday through Friday, 9am-5pm, and Saturday and Sunday, 9am-1pm.

## **Can non-Muslims apply for Zakat?**

Zakat funds are only disbursed to Muslims.

## **Can I appeal the Zakat committee's decision on my application?**

The Zakat committee's decision is final. However, if your situation changes in the future, you are welcome to submit a new application.