

1163 - Ruling concerning circumcision for a man who becomes Muslim at a mature age

the question

If a man converts to Islam and is quite mature in age – i.e., over forty – it is very difficult for him to be circumcised. Is it OK if he does not follow this particular practice?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If circumcision after converting is too difficult, because of his age, then it is OK if he does not get circumcised. Circumcision should not be insisted on, lest it turns him away from Islam.