

Factsheet on Fidyah and Kafarah

Fidyah

Fidyah is a religious obligation that involves providing compensation, usually in the form of feeding the poor or needy, for missed fast during Ramadan.

It applies to those who are unable to fast due to valid reasons such as chronic illness, advanced age, or prolonged medical conditions, and who are unlikely to be able to make up the missed fasts (qadha').

For more information on fidyah, go to go.gov.sg/pay-fidyah.

Kafarah

Kafarah is a charitable compensation for intentionally violating obligations or oaths in Islam. It serves as a means of purifying oneself from mistakes or transgressions committed.

There are different types of kafarah, including kafarah *jimak* (expiation for sexual relations during fasting in Ramadan) and kafarah *yamin* (expiation for breaking an oath or vow/nazar). Please refer here for more information: <https://www.zakat.sg/kaffarah/>. Each type of kafarah has specific requirements and amounts as prescribed by Islamic law. For kafarah *jimak*, the payment is equivalent to feeding 60 people, and for kafarah *yamin* (nazar) the payment is equivalent to feeding 10 people.

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