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**Question: What is the ruling with regards to wearing different colors of the lawful hijab such as [blue or grey]?**

Answer: Some Hadiths indicated a few of the female companions of the Prophet used to wear black hijabs [headscarves], but these Hadiths do not necessarily require wearing black only. A couple of Hadiths by Um-Salmah and 'A'ishah also supported the legality of wearing the hijab in this regard. The Islamic law proposed a great rule, which is considered one of the significant Islamic law sources. It is called the principle of blocking the excuse. There was consensus in the Nation on blocking the excuses that may lead to the forbidden things as well as what was suspected to lead to the forbidden based on faith. Ibn-Taymiyyah concluded that the principle of blocking the excuse was viable using 24 reasons [the Greater Fatwas 3/256]. His student Ibn-al-Qayyim produced 99 proofs . [A'lam Al Muwaq'in (V3/P171,147)]

The agreement on the fundament has been conveyed by imam Al-Shatibi as in [the agreements (4/201,194)] as well as other scholars.

**In the words of Sahib Maraqi Al Su'ud in his poem about blocking the excuse.**

The goal of wearing the hijab is to avoid shame, to be covered and to avoid tempting others. Therefore, wearing the colored Abayahs [TC: traditional clothes] especially those of tempting colors, shiny, velvet, or the stretch abayah are prohibited because that goes against the intent behind wearing and legalizing the hijab.



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