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Question: What is the ruling when a woman travels without her Muhram [if she has a Muhram and does not go out with him]?

Answer

It is not permissible for a woman to travel without her Muhram [a male family member who acts like a chaperon and who is legally in charge of the female] according to what has been stated in Al Bukhari from a Hadith by Ibn-'Abbas attributed to the prophet in which he said " the woman does not travel except is she accompanied by her Muhram? Is the Muhram obligated to accompany? However, there is disagreement on whether the Muhram can be compelled to accompany somebody and the proper response is that can't be compelled to do so. Allah knows best.



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