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Question: A man converted to Islam at the age of forty. Should he make up for the missed Salaah (prayer)?

Answer: A person who converts to Islam does not have to make up for Salaah and Sawm (fasting) which they did not perform during the days of their Kufr (disbelief), as Allaah stated, [Say to those who have disbelieved, if they cease (from disbelief), their past will be forgiven.]¹. The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم)² also stated, Islam wipes out all that has gone before it (previous misdeeds).

The Prophet (صلى الله عليه وسلم) did not order those who embraced Islam to make up for any missed rites of Islam. The scholars also unanimously agreed upon this.

May Allaah grant us success. May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions.

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¹ سورة الأنفال - Soorah al-Anfaal [8: 38]

² (صلى الله عليه وسلم) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

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