

# Muslim Legal Society of Texas Ramadan and Eid Guide Key Points for Legal Employers

#### Introduction

Ramadan is the Islamic holy month marked by fasting, spiritual reflection, and increased devotion. It lasts 29-30 days based on the lunar calendar.

### **Key Dates**

- Ramadan 2025: Estimated March 1 March 30 (to be confirmed)
- Eid al-Fitr: Estimated March 31 (to be confirmed)

## **Fasting Practices**

- No food, drinks, smoking, or sexual relations daily from dawn to sunset
- Pre-dawn and post-sunset meals are consumed
- Accommodations needed for fatigue, hydration, rest, and flexible scheduling

# **Religious Accommodations**

- Provide flexible scheduling around fasting hours and fatigue
- Allow time off requests for Eid (1-2 days)
- Offer clean spaces for prayers per policy

# **Fostering Inclusion**

- > Share educational resources to raise awareness within your firm
- Be mindful when requiring attendance at or hosting workplace meals and events in the middle of the day
- Avoid assumptions about fasting status (Certain groups are exempt from fasting, such as those with illness, pregnant or nursing women, and women on their menstrual cycle).

#### **Health & Wellness**

- Support mental health needs and nutrition guidance
- Ensure proper safety precautions for tasks requiring coordination

Contact MLS Texas for more resources at <a href="https://mlstexas.org/">https://mlstexas.org/</a> or <a href="mailto:salam@mlstexas.org/">salam@mlstexas.org/</a>

