

Writing verses (of Qur'aan) in 'Uthmaanee Script

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Question: Is it obligatory to write the Qur'aanic verses in 'Uthmaanee Script¹ ? May Allaah bless you.

Answer: All praise is due to Allaah, the Lord of the Worlds. Peace and blessing be upon whom Allaah sent as a mercy to the Worlds, upon his Family, his Companions and his Brothers till the Day of Resurrection.

Writing the Qur'aanic verses in 'Uthmaanee Script is obligatory according to the majority of scholars' opinion which says that the 'Uthmaanee Script is Tawqeefee (unchangeable) and we must conform to it. This is the soundest of the three opinions of the scholars regarding this question.

And supposing that the 'Uthmaanee Script is Istilaahiee (conventional) not Tawqeefee (unchangeable), it is religiously certain to adhere to its transmitted script particularly from the perspective of protecting the Revelation (i.e. the Glorious Qur'aan).

The perfect knowledge belongs to Allaah عَزَّ وَجَلَّ. Our last prayer is all praise is due to Allaah, the Lord of the Worlds. Peace and blessing be upon our Prophet, his Family, his Companions and Brothers till the Day of Resurrection.

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¹ Related to 'Uthmaan's compilation of the Qur'aan during his era.