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Nothing should be put in a non-roman script unless it is essential for the purpose of the article or review.

Arabic can be printed subject to the following considerations:

- Anything which is to be put into any non-roman script must be typed with absolute clarity.
- Any material in a non-roman script which consists of more than a word or two should appear on a separate, new line.
- Vocalization of material in Arabic script should be omitted unless it is essential for the argument.
- Transliterated material is satisfactory for most purposes and is essential for obscurer scripts: the following transliteration system must be observed.

Arabic

The following system must be used consistently throughout.

Transliteration of consonants

- ' b t t ğ ḥ ḥ d d r z s š ṣ ḍ ṭ ẓ ʿ ġ f q k l m n h w y
- ' (*hamza*) is not to be used in initial position
- examples: al-amr, Ahmad, amīr al-umarā', li-stiqbāl, wa-stiqbāl, li-amīr, wa-amīr

Short and long vowels

- − a/ā, i/ī, u/ū
- examples: Ūlū l-amr, Abū l-Farağ al-Işfahānī, Ādāb al-mulūk, 'Īsā l-Bābī l-Ḥalabī,

Diphthongs

– examples: *bayt, dawla,*

The definite article

– examples: al-šams, al-kitāb

Iḍāfa

– examples: *Risālat al-Tarbī^c wa-l-tadwīr,* Ibn Abī l-Ḥadīd

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Feminine ending of nouns:

– *risāla,* Fāțima l-Zahrā'

Prepositions preceding indefinite nouns:

– fī madīna, bi-ķaṭṭ, li-ṣāḥib

Prepositions preceding definite nouns and pronouns:

fī l-madīna, bi-l-ʿaql, li-l-ṣāḥib, bi-llatī, li-lladīna, fī llatī

Conjunctions *wa* and *fa*:

– wa-mu'ānasa, wa-l-mu'ānasa, fa-mu'ānasa, fa-l-mu'ānasa

Suffix pronouns:

– șāḥibuhu, ṣāḥibuhā

Šadda:

`arabī (not *`arabiyy*), *`arabiyya* (not *`arabīya*)

Personal names:

- Abū l-Faraǧ, ʿAlī b. Abī Ṭālib, Ibn al-Nadīm, al-Sarī l-Raffāʾ, Imruʾ al-Qays
- At the beginning of a sentence names with the article *al* begin with capital letter: Al-Ğāḥiẓ.

Familiar Arabic places and names

- Familiar Arabic places or names and other words should generally follow the usual spelling except when part of a longer transliterated Arabic text: Cairo, Medina, Algiers, Abbasid, Sufism, wadi, etc.

Arabic dialects

 Authors writing on Arabic dialects will employ the systems most suited to their needs but should explain their system at the beginning of their notes.

Manuscript Structure

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For quotations within text, use double quotation marks; single quotation marks should be reserved for quotes within quotes.

Words and quotations in italic transliteration or non-roman script do not need quotation marks. Any material added to a quotation, including [*sic*], should appear in square brackets. Sources of quotations should be given in footnotes.

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Quotations longer than about three lines (30 words approx.) should be indented without quotation marks and will be set ultimately in smaller type.

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Material transliterated from foreign scripts are set in italic.

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Italics are used for abbreviations where the original full words were in italic.

Abbreviations

Do not use full stops in abbreviations which consist of sets of initials (*GAL* not *G.A.L*.). Other abbreviations (but not contractions – see below) should be followed by full stops.

Retain full stops for initials in personal names: A.F.L. Beeston (without spaces between A. F. L.).

Omit full stops in contractions (*i.e.*, where the last letter of the word is retained), *e.g.* Dr, St, eds, including contractions of titles of biblical books. Otherwise include a final full stop.

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i.e. and *e.g.* should not be followed by a comma.

Abbreviations of journal titles and well-known encyclopaedias, etc., must be those commonly used: *EI*, *EI*², *EI*³, *JESHO*, *SI*, *JSS*, *RSO*, etc.

Dates

All Islamic dates should be given in the form 700/1300 (*i.e.*, AH followed by AD/CE). None of these abbreviations has full stops.

References

Articles should give bibliographical references in footnotes in a shortened version (see footnotes, below) and full bibliographical references in the Bibliography. Authors should ensure that bibliographic information supplied is complete and consistent. *QSA n.s.* uses the following conventions:

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- Titles and subtitles are separated by a colon, regardless of the original form.
- Subtitles begin with a capital letter.
- Series titles are in roman and accompanied by brackets.
- Journal titles are in italic; titles of articles are in roman within double quotation marks.
- Arabic numbers are used for series numbers, regardless of the original form.
- Roman numbers are used for volumes of books, regardless of the original form (e.g., VI, p. 15-36)
- Names of publishers should be given.
- Names of medieval authors should be given in full where there is real danger of confusion.

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In the footnotes themselves, each note should begin with the footnote number in superscript and not followed by any full stop or other punctuation.

Where a further reference is made to a work cited in the immediately preceding note, use *ibid*. (same work, same or different page).

Review Headings

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- Kecia Ali, Sexual Ethics & Islam: Feminist Reflections on Qur'an, Hadith, and Jurisprudence, Oxford, Oneworld, 2006, xxviii + 217 p., ISBN 1-85168-456-5, 12,99 £ paperback.
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