

1st Rabi' al Awwal 1425

Wednesday 21st April 2004 for Mu'mineen residing in countries to the west of Bangladesh, except for South Africa and Chile.

Thursday 22nd April 2004 for Mu'mineen residing in the rest of the world.

Based on our community sighting criteria, the first sighting of the crescent should InshaaAllah occur in South East Asia on Tuesday 20th April, 2004. Mu'mineen in Bangladesh should be the first to be able to sight the crescent.

Should the crescent be sighted as expected, in accordance with the rulings of Ayatullah Seestani (based on the Theory of Differing Horizons), 1st Rabi' al Awwal 1425 will be on Wednesday 21st April, 2004 for Mu'mineen residing in countries to the west of Bangladesh, except for South Africa and Chile. Thursday 22nd April, 2004 for Mu'mineen residing to the east of Bangladesh, South Africa and Chile.

Calculations for determining the possibility of crescent sighting in London for Rabi' al Awwal 1425. (All times are local London time.)

Astronomical new moon: Monday 19th April 2004 at 2:22 (p.m.)

Sunset on Monday 19/04	8:05 p.m.
Crescent age at sunset	5hr 43min.
Moonset on Monday 19/04	8:11 p.m.
Duration	6 min.
Elongation at sunset	2.3 degrees
Moon Altitude at sunset	0.5 degrees

NO POSSIBILITY of the crescent to be sighted on Monday 19th April 2004.

Sunset on Tuesday 20/04	8:06 p.m.
Crescent age at sunset	29hr 44min.
Moonset on Tuesday 20/04	9:25 p.m.
Duration	79 min.
Elongation at sunset	13.2 degrees
Moon Altitude at sunset	10.3 degrees

POSSIBILITY of the crescent to be sighted on Tuesday 20th April 2004.

