# Wearing socks in ihraam for men and women

I entered ihraam for ‘ Umrah and it was cold, so I wore socks. What should I do?.

Praise be to Allaah.

It is not permissible for
a man who is in ihraam to wear socks, but it is permissible for a woman to do that.

Shaykh Ibn ‘ Uthaymeen said in al-Sharh al-Mumti ’
(7/154): Question: is it haraam for her (i.e., the woman in ihraam) to wear socks?

The answer is no. Socks are haraam for men (in ihraam).

If a man in ihraam needs to wear socks, it is permissible for
him to wear them, but he has to offer the fidyah (ransom), which is either to sacrifice a sheep, or to feed six poor persons, or to fast for three days; he may do whichever he wants of these three.

The Standing Committee was asked: what is the ruling on
wearing socks on the feet and doing tawaaf al-qudoom in them during Hajj, and doing the tawaaf of ‘ Umrah in them during ‘ Umrah?

They replied:
It is not permissible for
men to wear socks when in ihraam for Hajj or ‘ Umrah. If he needs to wear them because of sickness etc, then he must offer a ransom (fidyah), which is
to fast for three days, or to feed six poor persons, giving each one half a saa ’ of dates or similar food, or to sacrifice a sheep.

Fataawa al-Lajnah al-Daa ’ imah li ’ l-Buhooth al- ‘ Ilmiyyah wa ’ l-Ifta ’ , 11/183.