

To: Unicode Technical Committee
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I want to inform you about difference types of Arabic scripts.

1. Standard Arabic Script:
This used for witting all Arabic texts except Quran.
2. Quranic Scripts:
These scripts used only for writing Quran.

There are many different types of Quranic Scripts:

I. Uthmanic HAFS:

Used for writing Quran according to narration(*riwayat*) of HAFS, which is the famous one in Islamic word. As an example for this type of Script is: Prophet city Quran published in Sudia Arabia Kingdom. (See Fig. 1)

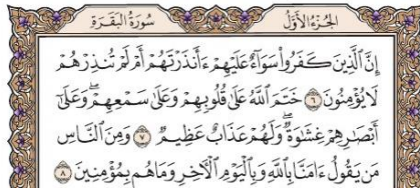


Fig. 1 First 4 lines from third page of Prophet city Quran.

II. Indian HAFS:

Used for writing Quran according to narration(*riwayat*) of HAFS, in India, Pakistan, Iran, and neighbor countries. As an example for this type of Script is Quran published by:

QUDRAT ULLAH CO.
URDU BAZAR LAHORE PAKISTAN.

(See Fig. 2).

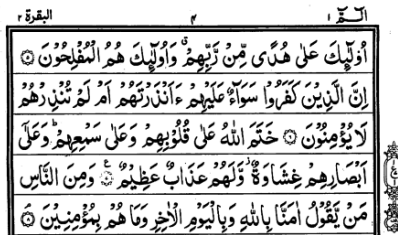


Fig. 2 First 5 lines from third page of Quran published in Pakistan.

III. Al-dani Uthmanic WARSH:

Used for writing Quran according to narration(*riwayat*) of WARSH, in Libya, Morocco, and neighbor countries. As an example for this type of Script is: Prophet city Quran published in Sudia Arabia Kingdom according to *riwayat* of WARSH. (See Fig. 3)

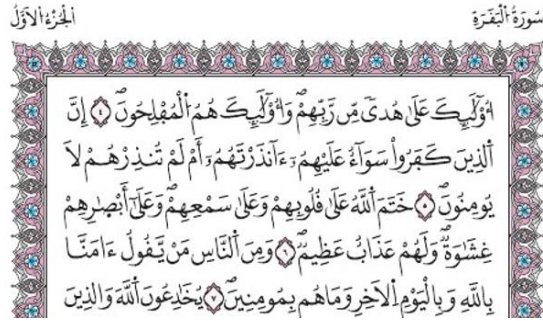


Fig. 3 First 5 lines from third page of Prophet city Quran according to *riwayat* of WARSH.

IV. Al-Kharaz Uthmanic QALOON:

Used for writing Quran according to narration(*riwayat*) of QALLON, in Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, and neighbor countries. As an example for this type of Script is Quran published by: The Libyan Ministry of Education. (See Fig. 4).

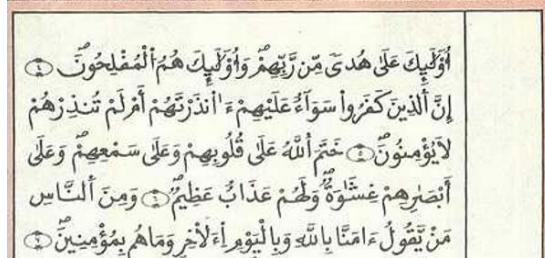


Fig. 4 First 5 lines from third page of Quran (Al-Kharaz Uthmanic QALOON) that published in Libya.

V. Al-dani Uthmanic QALOON:

Used for writing Quran according to narration(*riwayat*) of QALLON, in Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, and neighbor countries. As an example for this type of Script is Quran published by: Islamic Call Society/Libya. (See Fig. 5).

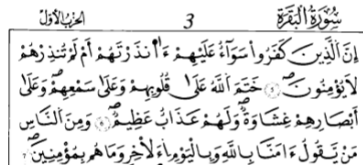


Fig. 5 First 4 lines from third page of Quran (Al-dani Uthmanic QALOON) that published in Libya.

From above we can observe that there are some similarity and significant differences between the five types of Quran Scripts.

My proposals (L2/15-329) and (L2/16-044) deal with the fifth type (Al-dani Uthmanic QALOON).

The Tijaniya Quran page images provided by Lorna Evans that appeared in “Consolidated Comments by Mansour, Evans, and Abudena on Al-Dani Quranic Marks (L2/16056)” are actually categorized under the third type (Al-dani Uthmanic WARSH).