AMIDA: LOCATION: CHANGING

Amida: Location: Moving Away

You may not move from where you began saying the *amida* until you finish the *amida*.

EXAMPLE

You may not get on or off a bus in the middle of saying the *amida*.

NOTE

It is better to say the abridged version of the *amida* (this appears in some *siddurs*) if you do not have time to say it without interruption (but you may say the abridged version only during the summer, since you must say *mashiv ha'ruach* and other additions during the winter).

EXCEPTIONS

Walking To Avoid Being Disturbed

You may walk to another place, even in the middle of the *amida*, if you are disturbed or distracted where you are, such as to move away from:

- An immodestly dressed woman or other visual distraction,
- Bad smell,
- Animal, or
- Noise (such as people talking).

Walking To Correct a Mistake

You may walk across the room--even in the middle of the *amida*--in order to look in a book of *halacha* to see how to correct a mistake or omission you made while saying the *amida*.

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