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Most mosques will not be holding the Tarāwīh prayer this year because of the exceptional circumstances we are facing. This is in total agreement with the objectives of the Sharīʿah.

Glad Tidings!

• Those who were consistent in praying Tarāwīh in the mosques in the previous years will receive the reward of that which they used to do.

• Those who did not use to pray Tarāwīh in the previous years, BUT were determined to do so this year in the mosque, then they too will receive the reward of praying Tarāwīh in the mosque.
What are the legal rulings regarding the establishment of the Tarāwīh prayer at home?

It is a Sunnah; it is recommended that we all pray the Tarawīh prayer in our homes.

What is the best way to pray Tarāwīh at home?

It is better to pray in congregation with ones family.

Can one pray alone?

Yes, it is permissible, but praying in congregation is better.

What should one recite from the Qurʾān in the Tarāwīh prayer?

Recite that which you have memorized, be it a short Sūrah or a few short Sūrahs and these can recited repeatedly throughout your prayer.
Can one recite from the Mushaf (copy of the Qurʾān)?

Yes, this is permissible.

Should one perform the Qunūt in the Tarāwīh prayer (Witr)?

Yes, it is legislated; it is permissible to do so from the beginning of Ramadān up until the end. However as for the last half of Ramadān, then it is not just permissible, but it is highly recommended to perform the Qunūt as was established by our righteous predecessors.

When should one perform the Tarāwīh prayer at home?

One should do what is easy for him. If it does not make any difference to you, then it is better to pray in the last part of the night.
So:

- It is better to pray it in the last part of the night if this is easy for you.

- You can pray it straight after Al-‘Ishā prayer (the first part of the night) if this is easier for you out of fear of falling asleep, or becoming lazy and missing the prayer or becoming overcome with drowsiness whilst praying.


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