Order for the room of silence

The room of silence is a space for rest, meditation and prayer. Silence is the rule here. There is no talking or singing.

This does not apply to announced, and time-limited observance of ritual (Rule 5).

1. The room may not be entered with shoes. Bags, coats and electronic devices may not be taken into the room. They should be left outside the room.

2. Meditation books, holy scriptures of the religions, diaries and single writing utensils may be taken into the room.

3. Prayer rugs, kneeling benches, meditation pillows and copies of the Holy Scriptures of the religions are available, which may be used during prayer and meditation are to be returned afterwards.

4. During Muslim prayer, no one is allowed to step between the wall and a person in prayer.

5. At certain announced times, groups are allowed to use the room for ritual. They may speak and sing during these times. These times must be announced in advance to the Center for Comparative Theology and Cultural Studies.

As a rule, a group may celebrate one non-hierarchical ritual per day for a maximum of 30 minutes.

The Board of Directors of the Center for Comparative Theology and Cultural Studies ensures that the character of the space remains first and foremost a space of silence and shall decide on how it is made available.

Information about the times when the room will be used for a ritual will be posted at the entrance to the room. Also at these times, access to the room remains open to all.

All those using the room at these times are expected to respect the ritual and not to disrupt the proceedings.