

Question 1283) - What is the ruling on taking a gift back?

A: If someone gave a stranger a gift, he may claim it back, unless he gave something in exchange; or the recipient increased in the gift an increase which is joined; or one of the two parties died; or the recipient no longer owns the gift. Although taking a gift back is allowed under these conditions it is Makruh Tahrimi to the worst degree. Rasulullaah SAW. said, 'The one who takes a gift back is like a dog who laps its own vomit. we have no worse comparison.'"[al-Bukhari]

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