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Fifth question from Fatwa No. (9220):

Q 5: What is the legal ruling on a man who takes hold of a Mushaf and starts tearing it page by page being fully aware that it is a mushaf as another man standing beside him told him that it was a Mushaf? Moreover, what is the ruling on a man who extinguishes a cigarette on the Mushaf?

A: By doing so, they are both disbelievers, for they mocked and offended the Qur'an. Such behavior amounts to mocking its authority. Allah, the Exalted, said: ﴿ Say: "Was it at Allâh (Exalted and Sublime), and His Ayât (proofs, evidences, verses, lessons, signs, revelations, etc.) and His Messenger (peace be upon him) that you were mocking?" ﴾ ﴿ Make no excuse; you have disbelieved after you had believed. ﴾

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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