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# GUIDE TO CHODOSH PART TWO. LISTINGS OF YOSHON PRODUCTS AND YOSHON PRODUCING ESTABLISHMENTS

<u>PISCLAIMER: The Guide to Chodosh does not give hashgochos for kashrus or Yoshon. The listing of any food item in this Guide does not mean that we investigated its kashrus. For kashrus and Yoshon assurance, look for the certification by responsible kashrus organizations or individual mashgichim.</u>

NOTE: Unless noted otherwise, Chodosh dates given in this Guide are estimates based on the beginning of the harvest of the Chodosh crops, as supplied by the USA Dep't of Agriculture. As such they are cautious, chumra dates.

#### 4. Baked Products

This section contains the following subsections: 4.1 Cakes, cookies and crackers; 4.2 Pretzels and potato chips; 4.3 Rice cakes; 4.4 Melba toast; 4.5 Ice cream cones; 4.6 Matzos; 4.7 Spelt products

#### 4.1 Cakes, cookies and crackers

(Notice: Packaged products made in Israel under reliable kashrus hashgochos are always Yoshon. All items made in Europe under the hashgocho of Rav Westheim of Manchester are also Yoshon. Most of these are not listed here. For those with a printed Yoshon label on the package, some hashgochos take full responsibility for the Yoshon status. Others will not check for the Yoshon status of any malt listed in the ingredients.

THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **\*\* Barth's** Kimmel cookies are from Israel and are Yoshon. Under the hashgocho of Chug Chasam Sofer. yyy
- R Carmel Matzo Co. Crackers from Israel are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim.
- **x** L'Esti Desserts cakes and pastries Yoshon under the hashgocho of the O-U. yyy
- **\* Fourre** cookies Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy
- **\*** Gattegno Brothers Cookies are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rav Landau of Bne Brak. yyy
- **x** Gefen products made in Israel under any reliable kashrus hashgocho are Yoshon. Also Gefen matzos with O-U hashgocho are Yoshon. yyy
- **A** Gevinni Cheese cakes are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the KCL, the Kof K, and the Tartikover Beis Din. yyy
- **R** Gross cookies are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy

- \* Hadar (Hadar with one "d") baked products imported by Gefen from Israel are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim or the O-U, as listed on the package. (Note that this is different from Haddar listed below.)
- *x* Home Style cookies from Israel are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rav Landau of Bne Brak. yyy
- *r* **Kedem** baked products such as tea biscuits, whole-wheat crackers and animal cookies imported from Israel are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Arugas Habosem. yyy
- **x** Kineret Brownies are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy
- **\* Lasova Bakery** gluten-free baked products from Israel are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- **x** Laliques & Crème Cheese Cakes Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Kof K. yyy
- **N** Man cookies and wafers are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rav Landau of Bne Brak. yyy
- **X** Manischewitz matzo products, as well as tam tam crackers, and whole wheat matzos are Yoshon. This includes the matzo ball mix. Under the hashgocho of the O-U and Rabbi Aaron Teitelbaum, the Nirbater Rav yyy
- **W** Muffin Delight baked products Yoshon under the KAJ and CRC. yvy
- **N** Osem crackers from Israel are Yoshon under the hechsher of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- R Papouchado cookies from Israel are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- **x** Sabra pretzels and humus are Yoshon,, under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy
- **8 Shibolim** crackers and crisp breads are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalaim. yyy
- **x** Streits matzo products including matzo crackers are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik and the Kof K. yyy

- **N'Low** cookies. Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- **x** Weinz Baked Products are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai Unger. yyy
- x Yehuda Matzos, Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy

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- **2 Elite** wafers and other products if under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim are Yoshon. yyy
- **2 Gedilla Products**: Cookies and Circle N Square Crackers made in Israel under Badatz Eida HaChareidus hashgocho are always Yoshon. Snack Crakers and Fruit bars: Yoshon status cannot be verified.
- 2 Haddar cookies, wafers, pretzels, matzo and matzo meal are all Yoshon when CRC and Yoshon is printed on the label. (Note: This is different from the Hadar brand [one'd' only] listed in the x section above.) yyy
- **2** Hershie's Delight cookies Yoshon under the hashgocho if KAJ or CRC and Yoshon are printed on the label. yyy
- Kemach. Kemach Snackers, Honey Grahams and Cinnamon Grahams are made from winter wheat and are always Yoshon. These do not contain malt. These items are Yoshon even though they DO NOT have Yoshon marked on the packaging. All cookies without oats are Yoshon, even whole wheat and graham. Oatmeal Cookies has a code of 06 21 17. The cookies contain no malt. All items with a Yoshon label are Yoshon. Bread sticks and Flat Breads can be purchased through Feb. 28, 2017. Chip-a-Riffic, Chunky Chip-a-Riffic Chocolate chip cookies, sugar cookies, softbite cookies and sandwhich cookies are Yoshon as printed on the bag. Kemach Kem & Whole Wheat Crackers are made from winter wheat and are Yoshon as printed on the boxes. Everything Flatbread Crisps have a Chodosh code of September 02, 2016. Sea Salt Pita Chips and multigrain pita chips have a code of at least Mar 15, 2017. Under the hashgocho for Yoshon of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. yyy

- **Landau Whole Wheat Crackers** with OU Hashgocho and Yoshon label are Yoshon. Other **Landau Products** with OU Hashgocho and Yoshon label are Yoshon as well. yyy
- **Liebers** cookies, crackers and snackers made in the <u>USA</u> without oats are Yoshon at least until malt becomes a problem after Dec 15. From <u>Israel</u> are always Yoshon. Whole wheat crackers from <u>Brazil</u> are Yoshon. The malt in these items may be Chodosh if <u>purchased</u> after Jan. 15. Snackers from Brazil are Yoshon. Whole Wheat Snackers are Yoshon. Under the hashgocho for Yoshon of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy
- **2** Muzon Mania products are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the CRC when Yoshon is inked onto the packaging. yyy
- **2 Oberlander Bakery**, Only The Following are certified to be Yoshon: Chocolate Chip (homemade), Rainbow cookies, mini Black & white Fancy, Cookies, Mini linzer tart, Chocolate & cinnamon buns, Chocolate & Cinnamon Rugelech, Raspberry & Apricot Rugelech, Chocolate & cinnamon danish, chocolate strip, chocolate Babka, Chocolate roll, fancy roll, Mini cup cake, Haman Tashen (all flavors), Honey & sponge & marble Loaf. Hashgocho for Yoshon by the Kof K and the CRC with a Yoshon label only. yyy
- **2** Rockland Kosher cookies and cakes with Yoshon label only, under the hashgocho of Rabbi Yehuda Meshulam Polatsek. yyy
- **2** Schick's Bakery cookies and cakes Yoshon with Yoshon label, under the hashgocho of the KAJ. (Warning: this hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and see Section 10.1) yyy

THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT

#### HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, August 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- **7 Aunt Gussie's** cookies that contain wheat have a Chodosh code July 29 16. Those that contain oats may be Chodosh starting with the package code of July 20, 16. For Cracker Flats the codes are the same. Spelt in the cookies does not have any Chodosh problems.
- **7Baker's Harvest** Graham Crackers and saltines, best if used by date, 6 month shelf life, Chodosh code: Jan 29, 2017. yyy
- **T** Carb for Life gluten-free low-carb products are Yoshon if there are no Chodosh-related items in the list of ingredients. yyy
- **7 Duncan Hines** (some are dairy, not cholov Yisroel): All mixes for brownies and muffins, have a code of Jan 29, 2018. (18 months after packing.) All other mixes have a code is July 29 '17 (12 months after packing.) Candies in the mix do not affect the code. yyy
- **7 E-Z Gourmet** gluten-free, low carb products are Yoshon if there are no Chodosh-related items in the list of ingredients. yyy
- **7 Fiber Gourmet** Crackers Chodosh code: July 29 17. (1 year after packing) yyy
- **7Kashi** Cookies, Chodosh code Jan 20, 17 (6 months after packing). yyy
- **7 Old London** Cookies and Crackers have a Chodosh code of Jul 29, 2017 (12 months after packing) yyy
- **7 Mrs. Pure's** ginger snaps have a chodosh code of July 29 17 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **7Stella D'Oro Products:** Chodosh codes: Breakfast Treats, Toast, and Biscotti, Jan 25 17.(180 days after packing) Sponge-All, Swiss Fudge Cookies Nov 26 16 (120 days after packing). 100 Calorie Breakfast Treats, Mar 26 17. (240 days after packing) yyy

- **7 Tofutti Cuties** have a Chodosh code of 2216 (221=day of the year, 6=year.) yyy
- 7 Venus Fat Free Crackers. The multigrain mix in the ingredients contains wheat and oats. Chodosh date is 6211#####. (6=year, 211=day of year, numbers # following are shift information). yyy
- **7 Wasa CrispBread** has a Chodosh code for oats of Sept 20, 2017 and for wheat of Sept 29, 2017 (14 months after packing.) yyy

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# FOLLOWING PRODUCTS CANNOT BE RECOMMENDED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION

**DEzekiel** bread from sprouted grain is probably Chodosh. In the making of this product, several grains, including wheat, oats and barley are sprouted (grow partly in water). The sprouted grains are pressed together to form the dough which is baked into the bread. The wheat, oats and barley may be Chodosh at this time.

#### 4.2 Pretzels and Potato Chips THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **x** Golden Fluff products, including onion rings, potato flutes, pretzels, nom nom cookies, and animal crackers are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai B. Klein of Lakewood. yyy
- R Lieber's pretzels Yoshon Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl, even those containing premixed oats and Honey Wheat Pretzels, includling the malt. yyy
- **x** Snappy Snax Pretzels are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Baruch Teitelbaum, even without a Yoshon Label. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**Haddar Honey Wheat Pretzels** Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the CRC only with a Yoshon Label. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 29 for spring wheat. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- T Pretzel clarification: Crunchy pretzels that break easily and are not made with whole wheat flour, are from winter wheat. If they contain malt, then they may be Chodosh after a packing date of Dec 15, or a purchase date of Jan 15. Chewy soft pretzels are from spring wheat and are probably Chodosh if produced after July 29. Pretzels from whole wheat flour such as "honey wheat" pretzels may use either winter or spring wheat flour. They may also be Chodosh after a packing date of July 29.
- 7 Anderson's Pretzels: Chodosh code: 15DEC17 (12 months after packing). yyy
- **7Herr's Honey wheat pretzels** and other pretzels. Have a Chodosh code of Nov 4, 2016 (12 weeks after packing). yyy
- **7Landau Whole Wheat Pretzels** have a Chodosh code of July 29, 17 (12 months after packing) yyy
- **7 Pringle potato** chips with wheat products in the ingredients (however, wheat starch is not a Chodosh problem, see Preface), Chodosh code 6211 (6=year, 211=day of the year. The code is preceded by "L" or by "LOT"). Ignore the "Best by use" date. For barley malt use a code of 6350. yyy
- **7 New York Pretzels** have a Chodosh code of: July 29, 2017 (365 days after packing). yyy
- **7 Sensible Portions** Veggy Straws and other items from this company, the package date is 180 days after packing. For items containing wheat, the Chodosh code for a packing date of Jul 29 is Jan 25 17. yyy
- **7Snack Factory Pretzel Crisps**, the wheat is Yoshon, the malt may be Chodosh. Package code for the malt Chodosh date of Dec 15 17 (1 year after packing). yyy

- **7** Utz honey wheat pretzels may be Chodosh starting July 29, code Nov 18 2016 (16 weeks after packing). yyy
- 7 Wise Potato Chip products. Some flavored potato chips have flour listed in the ingredients. This may be spring wheat flour. Chodosh packing date is July 29. 1.25 and .75 oz. bags Chodosh code is Dec 16 16 (20 weeks after packing) For 3.25 oz. bags the code is Nov 11 16 (15 weeks after packing). For the 8.75 oz bags the code is Oct 21, 16, (12 weeks after packing). yyy

#### 4.3 Rice cake

THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**x** Kosher Mills Rice Cakes are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy

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### THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 29 for spring wheat. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

<u>NOTE:</u> Before eating rice cake, check the ingredients. Even though rice is not Chodosh, some rice cakes may contain wheat, oats, barley or malt that could be Chodosh.

- **T Blooms** rice cakes which do not list any Chodosh grains as ingredients are Yoshon. Rice. Spelt and buckwheat are not Chodosh.
- **T** Landau rice cakes which do not list any Chodosh grains as ingredients are Yoshon. yyy
- **7 Paskesz** rice cakes which do not list any Chodosh grains as ingredients are Yoshon. Rice cakes under the hashgocho of Rav Westheim are always Yoshon.
- **T Start Fresh** rice cakes which do not list any Chodosh grains as ingredients are Yoshon. yyy
- **T** Weight Wise by Rokeach rice cakes check list of ingredients. Those which do not list any

Chodosh grains as ingredients are Yoshon. yyy

#### 4.4 Melba Toast

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 29 for spring wheat. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

**T Old London** Melba Toast Chodosh code 07 29 17 or 29 JUL 17. (1 year after packing). yyy

#### 4.5 Ice Cream Cones

THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- \* Kemach cones are Yoshon. Under hashgocho of Rav Nussen N. Horowitz. yyy
- \* Lieber's cones are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rav M. Weissmandl. yyy

#### 4.6 Matzos

#### THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- N All matzos made in Israel. All reliable hashgochos in Israel also take full responsibility to make sure that the items under their hashgocho are Yoshon.
- **x** Gefen matzos from Israel are Yoshon, including the whole wheat matzos, lightly salted matzos and onion poppy matzos. yyy
- א Manischewitz whole wheat matzos are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the O-U. yyy
- **\*\* Kemach Matzos, Matzo Meal, and Matzo Ball Mix** are Yoshon, as stated on the packaging under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. yyy

- **x** Shibolim matzos whole wheat, light whole wheat and spelt are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- **x** Streits matzo products including matzo crackers are Yoshon under Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik's hashgocho and the Kof K. yyy
- x Yehuda Matzos, Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim.

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

T All matzos and matzo meal are made from winter wheat and are Yoshon. This holds for both whole wheat and regular, both for Pesach and all year around. WARNING: Kerry makes a fake matzo meal that is really made from regular bread crumbs. These may be Chodosh. Also please note that gefilte fish usually uses matzo meal. The only one we are aware of that uses bread crumbs (A&B) uses Yoshon bread.

#### 4.7 Spelt baked products

#### USA SPELT PRODUCTS NOT CHODOSH

There should be no Chodosh problem at all with spelt products produced in the USA based on the following facts:

- 1. The spelt grown in the USA is always a winter crop and is Yoshon.
- 2. About 80% of the spelt grown in Canada is a winter crop, only about 20% is a spring crop that may be Chodosh. Most of the spelt in Canada is grown in Ontario, which is on the eastern part of Canada. This spelt is almost 100% winter crop. The climate in Ontario can support either winter or spring crops. However the winter crops usually yield a much bigger harvest. So Ontario will only produce a spring spelt under the rare occurance of a failure of the winter crop. Factories that use spelt that are in the eastern half of the USA would most likely use either USA grown spelt or the spelt that comes from the nearby Canadian region of Ontario. In either case, this would be a winter

crop. The 20% spring spelt is grown in Western Canada.

Therefore, our conclusion that the spelt used in products made in the USA can be assumed to be free from Chodosh problems is based on the following. As always, for halacha, check with your own Rav or Posek.

- 1. It is quite likely that spelt products made in the USA should use locally grown spelt that is Yoshon.
- 2. Even if they use Canadian spelt, 80% of that is a winter crop and is Yoshon.
- 3. In the eastern part of the USA, it is probable that much more then 80% of the imported Candian spelt should be Yoshon. This is because Ontario which is in the east part of Canada basically produces only winter spelt. The spring spelt is produced in Western Canada almost excusively.
- 4. Even if the Canadian spelt should be a spring crop, it may be last years and would be Yoshon.

We would like to thank Rabbi Norman of the COR in Toronto and Rabbi Jaffee of the kashrus organization in Montreal who pointed out that our assumptions about Canadian spelt being mostly Chodosh may not be correct. We were able to confirm their information independently from industry and university sources.

**8 Shibolim spelt matzos** Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerusalayim. yyy

# 5. Noodles and other pasta

This section contains the following subsections: 5.1 Regular noodles, pasta, mandlen and croutons; 5.2 noodles, 5.3 Spelt pasta.

WARNING: Some pasta are claimed by the manufacturers to have up to 3 years of shelf life. Pasta on grocery shelves that is older than ½ to 1 year should be checked for bugs. Dating codes for many pastas are given below in the 7 section.

# 5.1 Regular noodles, pasta, mandlen and croutons

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- **R** Laish croutons are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- *N* **Osem Pasta** incluing the cous cous from Italy and elsewhere, is under the hashgocho for kashrus of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim, and is always Yoshon. yyy
- **8 Shibolim** orzo, croutons and other pasta products are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalaim.
- **\* Streits** All Streits pasta are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik and the Kof K. (However, for the Streits Chow Mein noodles see below, in Sec.5.2.) yyy
- R Taaman Pasta Products are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- Chuster pasta products only with a Yoshon label and a CRC hashgocho for kashrus are certified by the CRC as being Yoshon. yvy
- **Sefen** pasta and noodle products <u>made in Israel</u> are Yoshon. Gefen Pasta with Yoshon label and OU Hashgocho are Yoshon under the OU. <u>IMPORTANT NOTE:</u> We keep getting phone calls on the Chodosh Hot Line that there are signs posted in some stores claiming that some or all Gefen pasta products are Yoshon. We have not received any confirmation of this Yoshon status from any mashgiach. Therefore, we can not recommend any Gefen pasta product as Yoshon, except within the qualifications printed in this Guide. yyy
- 2 Haddar pasta products only with a Yoshon label and with the CRC symbol on the package are Yoshon. yyy
- **2 Landau pasta** see Chuster pasta. yyy
- **2** New York Pasta ravioli and other pastas are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the CRC, with a Yoshon label only. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. This date is Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles.)

WARNING: Some pasta are claimed by the manufacturers to have up to 3 years of shelf life. Pasta on grocery shelves that is older than ½ to 1 year should be checked for bugs. Dating codes for many pastas are given below in this section.

- 7 American Beauty pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). All other pasta: Aug 13 19 (3 years). yyy
- **7 Anthony noodles**. Chodosh code egg noodles 081318 (08=month, 13=day, 18=year+2). All other noodles 081319 (year +3). yyy

**7Barilla** pastas: Protien Plus Pasta which contains oats and barley: code July 2017 (1 year after packing). Whole Grain Pasta code Feb 2018 (18 months after packing.). Oven ready lasagna Code: April 2018 (20 months) Straight Semolina Pasta, Penne Pasta and Orzo code April 2019 (32 months). Yyy

- **7 Bordens** pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For other pasta Aug 13 19. (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7 Bravo** pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For other pasta Aug 13 19. (3 years after packing) yyy
- **7Catella Whole Wheat Macaroni** has a Chodosh code of AUG1319 (3 years after packing) yyy
- 7 Columbia pasta from Zerega & Co., Columbia egg noodles, whole wheat noodles and whole grain noodles have a Chodosh code of Aug 13, 17 (1 year after packing). The macaroni, spaghetti and other pasta have a code of Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing.) If there is no best if used by date on the package, the Chodosh code is 2266 (226=day of year, 6=year). yyy
- 7 Creamette pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For

- other pasta Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing.). yyy
- **7 C-Town** pasta, Chodosh code Aug 13 2018 (2 years after packing). yyy
- 7 **De Boles** organic whole wheat pasta by Shreveport Macaroni Co. Chodosh code Feb 13 2018 (18 months after packing). yyy
- 7 **De Cecco** Pasta: Chodosh Code for whole wheat pasta is Aug 2017 (1 year after packing). Egg Pasta, tricolor pasta and pasta with spinach is Aug 2018 (2 years after packing). Semolina and organic pasta has a code of Aug 2019 (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7 Fiber Gourmet** Pasta has a Chodosh code of Aug 13, 18, (2 years after packing). yyy
- **7Foulds** macaroni and cheese has a package date that's 15 months after packing. The Chodosh code would be November 13, 17. (This may not be Cholov Yisroel.) yyy
- **7 Gioia** pasta: egg noodles Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing) all other pasta: Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing) yyy
- 7 **GlobeA1** noodles made by American Italian Pasta Co. Egg noodles: Chodosh code Aug 13, 2018 (2 years after packing.) All other noodles: Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7 Goodman's** Rice with Vermicelli: See Manischewitz Pasta below. yyy
- **7 Hodgson Mills** all noodles and other pastas including whole wheat Chodosh code 01 13 19 (01=month, 13 day, 19=year, 30 months after packing). yyy
- **7 Leonardo** pasta has a Chodosh code 08 08 17 (08=month, 08=day, 17=year, 360 days after packing). yyy
- 7 Light N'Fluffy Noodles Chodosh code egg noodles: Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For all other pasta it is Aug 13 19, (3 years after packing). yyy
- 7 **Luxury** noodles. Chodosh code Aug 13 18 for egg noodles (2 years after packing) and Aug 13 19 for all other pasta (3 years after packing.) yyy
- **7 Manischewitz** pasta Chodosh code Aug 13 2018 (2 years after packing). yyy

- 7 **Merlino's** pasta Chodosh code 2258 (225=day of the year, 8=year+2). yyy
- 7 **Mother's** noodles and pasta Chodosh code 2257 (225=day of year, 7=year+1). yyy
- **7 Mueller** Co. Noodles: The Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing.) For all other pasta, the code is Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing). yyy
- 7 New Mill pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For all other pasta use Chodosh code of Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing. yyy
- **7 Pasta La Bella**: Code for Egg Noodles is Aug 13, 2018 (2 years after packing). All other pasta has a code of Aug 13, 2019 (3 years). yyy
- 7 **Pennsylvania Dutch** pasta code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing.) For all other pasta use the Chodosh code of Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7 Prince** pasta. Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For other pasta Aug 13 19. (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7 Ralph** pasta, Chodosh code Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7 R&F** pasta. Egg noodles Chodosh code Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing.) All other pasta: Aug 13 19, (3 years after packing.) yyy
- **7 Ronco** pasta. Chodosh code for egg noodles Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). All other pasta use Chodosh code of Aug 13 19. (3 years after packing). yyy
- 7 Ronzoni pasta made in the USA (for Canada see next listing.) Egg noodles, healthy harvest, garden delight: Aug 13 18, (2 years after packing.) Smart taste pasta contains oats and has a code of July 20, 18 (2 years after packing). For all other pasta use the date of Aug 13 19, (3 years after packing). Pasta made in Italy has a code of Aug 13 17 (1 year after packing).
- **7 San Giorgio** pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For all other pasta Aug 13 19. (3 years after packing). yyy
- 7 **Savion** croutons Chodosh code P2116 (P=not important, 211=day of the year, 6=year.) yyy

- 7 **Shoprite** pasta, Chodosh code 08 13 18 (2 years after packing.) yyy
- 7 **Skinner** pasta Chodosh code for egg noodles is Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For all other pasta Aug 13 19. (3 years after packing). yyy
- **7Stop & Shop** pasta Chodosh code Aug 13 19 (3 years after packing). yyy
- 7 **Sysco** wide egg noodles, Chodosh code 29076 (29=date, 07=Jul, 6=year). yyy
- **7Vitelli noodles and pasta** Chodosh code Aug 13 2019 (3 years after packing.) yyy
- **7 Wacky Mac** Macaroni and Cheese from New World Pasta has a Chodosh code of August 13, 2018, 2 years after packing. yyy
- **7WalMart Great Value** Spaghetti and macaroni Chodosh code Aug 13 18 (2 years after packing). For other items call the company at 877-505-2267. Have the product UPC code to give to the agent. yyy
- **7 Zerega** pasta, Chodosh code 2266 (226=day of year, 6=year.) Some products have a best if used by date. For egg noodles, whole wheat noodles and whole grain noodles the code is Aug 13 17 (1 year after packing). For all other pasta the code is Aug 13 18 (2 year after packing). yyy

#### 5.2 Chow mein noodles

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **Kemach** Chow Mein noodles are Yoshon this year, under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. yyy
- **Streits Chow Mein** noodles are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Moshe Soloveichik. Check for updates as noodles usually become Chodosh later in the season. yyy

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#### 5.3 Spelt pasta

See Section 4.7 for information.

#### 6. Home baking products

This section contains the following subsections: 6.1 All purpose white flour; 6.2 Whole wheat flour; 6.3 High-gluten flour; 6.4 Spelt flour; 6.5 Cake and other mixes; 6.6 Baking sprays; 6.7 Yeast.

#### 6.1 All purpose white flour

Note: Almost all baking flour contains a small amount of barley malt, as noted in the list of ingredients on the package. According to the poskim we have consulted barley malt in baking flour (but not in other applications) is *botul* and the mixture may be used even if the malt would be Chodosh. However, since some poskim may disagree with this psak, we will provide dating codes for those who want to avoid malt in flour that may be Chodosh. Note that malt is not a problem until a packing date of Dec 15. (See Section 10.1 about malt.)

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**\* Kemach** all purpose flour, the wheat and malt are Yoshon, Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 29 for spring wheat. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- **7 Arrowhead Mills Organic Pastry Flour:** Chodosh code of July 29, 17 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **7 Ceresota** white flour for home baking contains 100% winter wheat and is Yoshon, as determined by independent sources. Probable Chodosh date for malt is Dec 15, code: best by use date of June 15 18 (18 months after packing.) yyy

- **T ConAgra H&R** (<u>Hotel and Restaurant</u>) flour and <u>Harvest</u> all purpose flour code consists of two letters for the factory and the actual date of packing. For factory codes OA, OB and FR, it is believed that only winter wheat is used based on the location of the mills. For other mill codes the wheat may be Chodosh starting with a code of AA072916 ##:## (AA is a sample mill code, 07=July, 29=date, 16=year) yyy
- **7 Giant** white flour Chodosh date July 29 ,code July 29, 2017 (1 yr after packing.) yyy
- **T Gold Medal** white flour from factory **KC** uses only winter wheat. Malt may be Chodosh after Dec 15, code Jun 26 18 (558 days after packing.). For other factories, the flour may be Chodosh after the packing date of July 29, code Feb 7 18. (Factory code consists of the letters just before or after the date on the package.) **Note: This statement that Factory KC uses only winter wheat flour only holds for the all purpose flour discussed in this section. However Gold Medal whole wheat flour from KC may be Chodosh. See following sections for codes.** yyy
- 7 **Heckers** white flour contains 100% winter wheat, as determined by independent sources. Probable Chodosh date for malt is Dec 15, code best by use date of June 15 18 (18 months after packing.) yyy
- 7 King Arthur white flour all purpose home baking flour comes from two mills. For one of these, we are confident that the company's claim of using only winter wheat is correct due to the location of the mill. This mill can be recognized since the date is printed at the top of the flour bag with the words "BEST BY ..." The word "USED" does not appear. For this mill, the wheat is Yoshon. For those who choose to be makpid on malt, the Chodosh code is BEST-BY-DEC-15-17 (12 months after packing.) For the other mill, the date is always printed on the side of the bag and the words "BEST USED BY", including the word "USED" always appear. For this mill, the Chodosh code is BEST-USED-BY-Jul 29 17. (12 months after packing.) The 50 pound bags are marked with the date of production with a Chodosh code of July 29 16. yyy
- **7 Krasdale** all purpose flour Chodosh code Jul 29 17 (1 year after packing). yyy

- **7 Pillsbury** regular all purpose white flour for home use, Chodosh code Jan 29 2018 (18 months after packing.) yyy
- **7 Shoprite** flour Chodosh code Jul 29 17 (1 year after packing.) yyy
- **7 Stop & Shop** white all purpose flour Chodosh code July 29 17 (1 year after packing). yyy

#### 6.2 Whole wheat flour

Note: Almost all baking flour contains a small amount of barley malt, as noted in the list of ingredients on the package. According to the poskim we have consulted barley malt in baking flour (but not in other applications) is *botul* and the mixture may be used even if the malt would be Chodosh. However, since some poskim may disagree with this psak, we will provide dating codes for those who want to avoid malt in flour that may be Chodosh. Note that malt does not become Chodosh until a packing date of Dec15. (see Section 10.1).

#### THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**\* Kemach** whole wheat flour, is Yoshon, including the malt in this flour Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- **T Arrowhead Mills Whole Wheat Flour** has a code of July 29, 17 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **7Bob's Red Mill** whole wheat flour Chodosh code 29 7 2018 (29-day, 7-month, 2018-year, 2 years after packing.) yyy
- **7 Ceresota** whole wheat flour Chodosh code Jul 29, 17 (1 year after packing.) yyy
- **7 Eden Foods** makes two types of whole wheat flour. Those marked "HRS" use spring wheat. Chodosh code=G-29-6 (G=Aug in alph. order, 29=date, 6=year). Those marked "HRW" are

always from winter wheat. Malt in this flour could be Chodosh starting Dec 15, code L-15-6. yyy

- **7 Gold Medal** whole wheat flour Chodosh code Jan 31 17. (186 days after packing). yyy
- **7 Heckers** whole wheat flour Chodosh code July 29 17 (1 year after packing.) yyy
- **T Hodgson Mills** flours, Chodosh code is 01 29 18 (18 months after packing.) yyy
- **7 Kansas Diamond Flour** has a Chodosh code of 6211 (6-year, 211-day of year). yyy
- **7 King Arthur** whole wheat flour and white whole wheat flour, Chodosh code July 29 17 (1 year after packing.) The 50 pound bags are marked with the date of production with a Chodosh code of July 29 16. yyy
- **7 Pillsbury** whole wheat flour has the probable Chodosh date on the package of July 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **7 Trader Joe** white whole wheat flour Chodosh code: Production date= July 29 16. yyy
- **7 Wegmans** White Whole Wheat Flour as well as Regular Whole Wheat Flour have a code of July 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). yyy

#### 6.3 High gluten or bread flour

#### THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**\* Kemach** high gluten flour, the wheat is Yoshon, Malt is also Yoshon, Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 29 for spring wheat. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

**T** Con Agra Harvest Bread Flour code is 2 letters for factory and then actual date of packing. For factory codes OA, OB, and FR, it is believed that only winter wheat is used based on

the location of the mills. For all other factory codes use a Chodosh code of aa072916 ##:## (aa-factory code 07-month 29-day 16-year). yyy

- **T Gold Medal** Bread Flour and Bread Wheat Blend Flour code Feb 7 18, (558 days after packing .) Bread Flour from factory KC is always Yoshon. Malt may be a problem after Dec 15, Chodosh code June 6, 2018. yyy
- **T King Arthur** Bread flour. Chodosh code is Jul 29 17 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **T Pillsbury** bread flour for home use Chodosh code July 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). yyy

#### 6.4 Spelt flour

See Section 4.7 for information.

#### 6.5 Cake and other mixes

# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **x** Gefen Cake and cookie mixes are produced in Israel and are Yoshon, as are other products made in Israel under reliable hashgocho. yyy
- **Manischewitz** cake mixes which are kosher for pesach are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the O-U. yyy
- א Sara's corn muffin mix and bran muffin mix are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

**T Aunt Jemima** (please note that some of these mixes may not be Kosher, or may be dairy, not Cholov Yisroel). Waffle and pancake mixes the wheat is winter wheat which is Yoshon. If the ingredients include malt, the Chodosh code is Dec 15 17 (1 year after packing) for waffles and

Sep 15 17 for pancakes. (9 months). This includes the mixes that contain whole wheat. For frozen waffles and pancakes, the wheat may be Chodosh. The code for waffles is July 29 2017 (1 year). Code for pancakes April 29, 17. (9 months). Cake Mixes containing wheat have a code of July 29, 2017 (1 year). yyy

**7 Betty Crocker Cake Mixes** Chodosh code is Aug 05 17 (372 days after packing.) yyy

**7Duncan Hines** Chodosh codes: All mixes for brownies, and muffins have a code of Jan 29, 2018 (18 months after packing). Cake mixes have a code of June 29 17 (12 months after packing.) Candies in the mix do not affect the code.

7 Near East Food Products, Wheat Salad Mix and Wheat Pilaf Mix Chodosh code for items containing wheat is July 20 '17 (1 year after packing.) yyy

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#### 6.6 Baking sprays

Baking sprays often contain flour that may be Chodosh.

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

The following brands have no hashgocho for Yoshon. Nevertheless, we believe that they are Yoshon either due to the fact that they do not use any wheat flour, or because we have been able to verify independently that the flour is from winter wheat:

- **T Baker's Joy** baking spray uses winter wheat. yyy
- **T** Crisco baking spray no longer uses wheat. yyy
- **T Glick's Baking Spray** with flour has a code of ######## 21116 ####. These are numbers 9-13 of the code. (211-day of year, 16-year). yyy
- **7 Pam** baking spray Some contain no flour. Check the ingredients. Some do contain flour. If they do, then the Chodosh code is Jul 29 2018 (24 months after packing.) yyy

# 6.7 Yeast and other food ingredients

THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**7Baker's yeast**, whether for home or bakery use are not known to have any Chodosh problems. yyy

**7Torula yeast** has no known Chodosh problems.

THE FOLLOWING MAY BE CHODOSH, SUFFICIENT INFORMATION NOT KNOWN

**b** Brewer's yeast It is questionable whether this poses a Chodosh problem or not. Brewer's yeast is listed as an ingredient in some foods such as some potato chips. yyy

#### 7. Home cooking

This section has the following subsections: 7.1 Barley; 7.2 Bread and corn flake crumbs; 7.3 Soy, teriyaki and other sauces; 7.4 Vinegar and condiments.

#### 7.1 Barley

Pearled barley of the type used in Cholent and soups, enters the market soon after the harvest, unlike malt or malted barley discussed in Section 10.1, for which there is a delay. <u>Caution is urged in storing barley</u>, since it can easily become full of bugs.

BUGS WARNING (not Yoshon problem): Barley should always be checked for bugs. Note that this is not a Yoshon-generated problem, it can occur any time, the whole year.

# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**&** Gefen barley is Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Friedman. (Rabbi Friedman only supervises the Yoshon aspects of the barley. His name does not appear on the package.)

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**a** Mishpacha barley is Yoshon under the hashgocho the KAJ and of Rabbi Aaron Teitelbaum, the Nirbarter Rav with a Yoshon label only. Mishpacha cholent mix does not contain any barley. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. This date is Aug 9 for barley.)

- **T C & F** barley Chodosh code Aug 9 2017 (1 year after packing.) yyy
- **7 Jack Rabbit** barley Chodosh Date Aug 9 17 (1 year) yyy
- 7 **Peak** barley, Chodosh Date Aug 9 17 (1 year) yyy
- 7 **Quaker Oats** Co. Barley Chodosh code is Jan 31 2018 (540 days after packing). yyy
- **7Stop & Shop** pearled barley, Chodosh code Aug 9 17 (1 year after packing). yyy
- 7 **Trinidad**: Chodosh date: Aug 9 17 (1 year after packing) yyy
- **7 Unger Barley** is packed in a 100% yoshon facility, however we are hesitant to recommend it until we can get confirmation that it is Yoshon from the Mashgiach. yyy

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# 7.2 Bread and corn flake crumbs and matzo meal

(Some people have made satisfactory bread crumbs at home by putting dried or toasted bread into a blender.)

# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**x Btam** Yoshon bread crumbs in large, 25 pound bags are available. They have the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. Call 908-862-8200. yyy

- **R** Gefen bread crumbs are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. This also includes whole wheat bread crumbs and whole wheat matzo meal. Gefen corn flake crumbs without malt in the ingredients are Yoshon. yyy
- **x** Kemach matzo meal in 25 pound bags is Yoshon. Crispy Bake chicken coating is Yoshon, as stated on the label. Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz yyy
- א Lieber's Bread Crumbs are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy
- **Manischewitz Italian coating crumbs** Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the OU. yyy
- **N** Osem Bread crumbs produced in Israel are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. Yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **2 Kineret** bread crumbs when produced in Israel are Yoshon. yyy
- **2 Pereg** bread crumbs with hashgocho of the CRC and a Yoshon label are Yoshon. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. This date is July 29 for wheat, Aug 9 for barley and Dec 15 for barley malt.)

- **7 Jason** Bread Crumbs have a Chodosh code of Juky 29, 2018 (2 years after packing). yyy
- **7Kellogs** corn flake crumbs, Chodosh code Dec 15 2018 (2 years after packing.) yyy
- **7 Panko Bread Crumbs by Kikkoman** have a code of 211AF (211-day of year, AF-year) or jan 29, 2018 (18 months after packing). yyy
- **7 Taanug** corn flake crumbs. The only Yoshon problem is malt. The code is 16350 (16-year, 350-day of year). yyy

#### 7.3 Soy, teriyaki and other sauces

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SOY, TERRIAKI AND TAMARI SAUCES

<u>Summary</u>: It would seem that soy, terriaki and tamari sauces that have wheat in the ingredients may be Chodosh. In fact, these are <u>surely Yoshon at least up to the packing date of Dec 29 (5 months after July 29, the Chodosh date for wheat)</u> and may be free of Chodosh problems completely. Even if one wants to be machmir on the Dec 29 <u>packing date</u>, whatever you find on the grocery shelves until at least mid February should still probably be all Yoshon.

<u>Details</u>: After being alerted by some mashgichim, we discussed the method of production of these sauces with expert chemists who actually produce them. Here is what we learned:

- All these sauces that contain wheat are fermented over a period of time that is 5 months or longer. All sauces that are produced in a shorter time do not contain any wheat.
- The flour when used may be from spring wheat that may be Chodosh.
- In the production of the fermented soy sauce, wheat flour and some spores are added at the same time to start the fermentation. The spores produce the fermentation, the wheat flour is added only to allow the spores to be more evenly distibuted in the liquid and to do a better job. The wheat flour, which at the start is about 7% of the starting volume, is almost completely consumed during the fermentation.
- Terriaki sauce is produced the same way, except they start with only about 3.5% wheat.
- Tamari sauce uses much less wheat.

From a halachic point of view, this production method seems identical to the question we raised many years ago regarding plain white household vinegar. The vinegar is produced from non-Chodosh alcohol. There, some barley malt plus other chemicals are used in combination to cause the alcohol to ferment into vinegar. In the process, the malt is virtually eliminated (much

less than 1/60.). There we consulted several poskim who all ruled that the barley malt is botul. Based on that we believe that in the case of these sauces, as well, the wheat flour may be botul. Please consult your own posek regarding the question of bitul. However, since it takes at least 5 months to complete the fermentation of these sauces, there can not be any Chodosh problem before Dec 29 '16 in any case.

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **7 Gefen Chicken and Bar-b-q Seasoning** contains semolina which is from spring wheat. This has a code of 07##299. (07-July ## not important 29-date 9-year+3). yyy
- **7 Wan Ja Shan Soy Sauce** has a Chodosh code of 29/JUL/19, 3 years after packing. yyy

# 7.4 Vinegar and vinegar-based condiments

Ordinary household vinegar, also known as manufacturers' white vinegar, does not contain any Chodosh-related ingredients. Therefore, most vinegar-based items such as ordinary household vinegar, and condiments such as ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, pickles, are not Chodosh. However, there are specialty vinegars such as malt vinegar, tarragon vinegar and salad vinegar which are made with high concentrations of malt. These may be Chodosh.

# 8. Cereals and other grain products

This section contains the following subsections: 8.1 Breakfast cereals; 8.2 Spelt, 8.3 Bulgur, cracked wheat, kamut and cous cous.

#### 8.1 Breakfast cereals

Note: We only investigated the <u>Yoshon</u> status of the cereals. Some cereals <u>may not be kosher</u>. Always look for a kashrus hashgocho on the package before using.

**Note:** Gluten free oats are regular oats that are grown free of contamination from wheat. As such it could be Chodosh if packed starting July 20 (See Section 2.3.)

WHEAT STARCH: Wheat starch is used in many cereals, some cookies and other products.

In the past we assumed that wheat starch can be made from spring wheat as well as winter wheat. Therefore, we advised that one should be machmir and assume that starting with a packing date shortly after the start of the spring wheat harvest, all wheat starch may be Chodosh. This is still advisable lechatchila when possible. Since wheat starch is used in so many products and in so many ways, that it is often not possible to be certain that the wheat starch is vadai Yoshon. When such certainty is not possible, we were advised that it is permitted to be maikil and assume that that all wheat starch is Yoshon. This assumption is based on the following arguments: (1) There is no advantage in making wheat starch from spring wheat over winter wheat. (2) About 70% of all wheat grown in the USA is winter wheat. This makes winter wheat certainly the rov of all wheat available. (However, this winter wheat can not be used by bakeries for breads, challahs and many other products. Those need spring wheat flour.) It also makes winter wheat cheaper. (3) We apply the sfek sfeika of the Rema since the wheat starch could be from last vear. Even if it where freshly manufactured, it is more likely to come from winter wheat which is Yoshon. We consulted the following Rabbonim Shlita who agreed that since it is not possible to clarify the matter beyond what is written above, that it is justified to be makil on wheat starch. (Names in alphabetical order) Harav Hagoan Yisroel Belsky Shlita, Harav Hagoan Moshe Heinemann Shlita, Harav Hagoan Shmuel Kaminezky Shlita and Harav Hagoan Shlomo Miller. This will be the policy of the Guide. For those who wish to be machmir, the chumra packing date for wheat starch would be July 29. As always, consult your own Rav or posek.

# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- $\kappa$  Grab 1 Bars, all flavors: Yoshon under the hashgocho of the OU . yyy
- **x** Kedem cereal bars imported from Israel are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Arugas Habosem.
- **8 Kosher Mills** Hot and Cold cereals are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy

- **x** Shibolim oats are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- **N** Vered cereals from Israel are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **2 Gefen** Granola Cereal and other cereals from Israel are Yoshon under any reliable kashrus hashgocho. yyy
- □ General Mills. According to the O-U, all wheat used in General Mills cereals is always Yoshon, with the possible exception of wheat GERM. Wheat germ could be Chodosh stating with a packing date of July 29. Wheat starch is not a problem of Chodosh. Barley (but not barley malt) may be Chodosh stating with a packing date of Aug 9. Oats may be Chodosh starting with a packing date of August 31. This date has been verified by the O-U. Therefore, all cereals, including Cheerios that contain wheat germ in the ingredients have a Chodosh date on the package of Aug 5 '17 (372 days after packing). Those containing barley, such as Multigrain Cheerios, the Chodosh date for the barley is also Aug 16 '17. All cereals that contain oats but no wheat germ or barley, the Chodosh date is Sept 7, 17. If the only questionable ingredient is malt, then the Chodosh code is Dec 22 2017. (Note: These products are <u>not formally under the</u> hashgocho of the O-U for Yoshon. ). yyy
- Dependent of the Manchester Beis Din are Yoshon, Cereals manufactured in America have the same Chodosh code as given above for General Mills cereals. However this is only true if the box states General Mills, Minneapolis, MN and also has an O-U kashrus symbol. Cereals made in Poland are NOT recommended. yyy
- 2 Kemach Cereals: Fruit Whirls, Honey Crunch, Corn Crisp, Bunch of Crunch, Honey Nut Oats and Toasted Oats Chodosh code 07 20 17. Kemach Sugar Puffed Wheat Chodosh code 07 29 17. The following are from winter wheat and are Yoshon except for malt

after Dec 15, Chodosh code 12 15 17: Bran Flakes, Raisin Bran, , Corn Flakes, Crisp Rice, Frosted Flakes. On the other hand, Kemach Nougat Nuggets. Whole wheat flakes and Cocoa Munchees do not contain malt and are always Yoshon. Note that these dates are Chumra dates and will change. Updates will be issued when available. Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz.

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are, July 29 for spring wheat, August 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For oats the Chodosh date is July 20. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

(Note: Many cereals contain malt as a flavoring. Unlike malt in baking flour, malt used for flavoring may not be *botul*. If the cereals listed below have malt in the ingredients, use Dec 15 as the possible Chodosh date for the malt.)

- 7 **Abraham's Crispy Os** cereal does not contain any Chodosh ingredients. yyy
- 7 Arrowhead Mills Cereals: Wheat bran and Organic Oat Bran has a Chodosh code of Jan 11, 18 for wheat and Jan 20, 2018 for oats. (540 days after packing.) All cold cereals including Organic Seven Grain Cereal, Multigrain, Kamut, Oat Bran Flakes, Organic Barley Flakes (rolled) have a code of July 20, 17 (1 year after packing). Instant Oatmeal has a code of July 20, 2018, (2 years after packing. Old Fashioned Oatmeal has a Chodosh Code of July 20, 2017 (1 year after packing) Organic Oat Flour has a code of July 20, 17 (1 year after packing). Steel Cut Oats have a code of Jan 11, 18 (540 days after packing). yyy
- **T Barbara** cereals: High Fiber Original and High Fiber Ulitmate Flax and Granola, Puffin Puffs all flavors, Morning Oat Crunch all varieties, and Multigrain Puffins: for oats, July 20 2017 (1 year) and for wheat, July 29 17. Puffins Original: May 29 17 (10 months).

- Muligrain Cereal Bars: April 20, 2017 (9 Months) yyy
- **7 Bear Naked Granola** has a code of July 26, 2016 (12 months after packing). yyy
- **7Bob's Red Mills** cereals. All cereals containing oats have a code of 20 7 2018 (20-day, 7-year, 2018, 2 years after packing). If they contain wheat the code is 29 7 2018 (29-day, 7-month, 2018-year, 2 years after packing.) Wheat Germ and flaxseed have a code of 29 7 2018 (29-day, 7-month, 2018-year, 1 year after packing). The oat flour has a code of 26 1 2018 (26-day, 1-month 2018-year, 18 months after packing). yyy
- **T Cascadian Farms Cereals**. Chodosh Codes: Cinnamon Raisin Granola: March 20 17 (8 Months after packing), Raisin Bran, Purely O's: April 20 17, (9 months after packing). Hearty Morning, Oats and Honey Granola, and Honey Nut O's, Multi Grain Squares: May 20 17 (10 months after packing). yyy
- **7 ConAgra** oatmeal in bulk, Chodosh code: AA##6202 (AA=factory, ## or ### = batch information, 6=year, 202= day of year). yyy
- **7Cream of Wheat** farina made by BG Foods. The Chodosh code is July 29, 2018 (2 years after packing.) yyy
- 7 Erewhon cereals. See US Mills yyy
- **7Farina Mills**, Creamy Hot Wheat Cereal, Chodosh code July 29, 2018 (2 years after packing.) yyy
- **7Fiber1** Crunchy snack bars have a date that is 248 days after packing. If they contain oats, they may be Chodosh starting with a code of March 25, 2017. If they contain wheat germ but no oats then the Chodosh date would be Apr 3 17. yyy
- **T Good N' Hearty** cereals with the Unger label. The date on the package is one year after packing. Chodosh code for oats, July 20, 2017. For wheat, but no oats in the ingredients the code is July 29, 2017. yyy
- **T Hodgson Mills** cereals. For oats the code is 01 20 18 (18 months after packing.) For wheat the code is 01 29 18. yyy

- 7 **Kashi** cereals. For most cereals and granola bars that use oats but not wheat use the code of July 20, 17 (1 year after packing). For cereals and granola bars containing wheat the code is July 29 17 (1 year after packing). Kashi Autumn Wheat Cereal uses only winter wheat and is Yoshon. The following are exceptions: Soft Baked cereal bars: April 20 17 (9 months after packing), Pilaf: July 20, 18 (2 years after packing). All Cookies containing oat flour: Jan 20, 17 (6 months after packing).
- **T Kellog's** cereals come in a great variety. We are relying on you to check the ingredients to see if they contain oats, wheat, barley, or barley malt. Then for the appropriate Chodosh code choose the <u>earliest</u> of the following: oats July 20 17, wheat July 29, 16, barley (not malt) Aug 9 17, malt Dec 15 17. The code on the package is a date 1 year after packing for all items except Kelloggs Corn Flake Crumbs, for Corn Flake crumbs it is 2 years with a code of Dec 15 18. Malt in cereals may be a problem after December 15. yyy
- **7 KIND Healthy Grains Granola Bars.** Chodosh code 20 April 17. yyy
- **7Krasdale Oats** cereal. Chodosh code July 20 18 (2 year after packing.) yyy
- **7 Kretschmer** Wheat Germ Chodosh code Jan 29, 18 (540 days after packing). yyy
- 7 Malt-O-Meal cereals: Check the ingredients. For cereals with oats may be Chodosh starting with a packing date for oats of July 20. For wheat the date is July 29 and for barley (not barley malt) the Chodosh packing date would be Aug 9. For Chodosh codes, add the following months to these dates. Following 9 months: Berry Colossal Crunch, and Colossal Crunch Following 10 months: Cinnamon Toasters, and Honey Graham Squares, Coco Roos, Honey Nut Scooters. Following 12 months: Apple Zings, Tootie Fruities, Honey and Oat Blenders, Honey and Oat Blenders with Almonds, and Honey Buzzers, Cocoa Dyno Bites, Corn Flakes, Raisin Bran, Golden Puffs, Frosted Flakes, and Corn Bursts Crispy Rice Following 15 months: Hot Wheat Malt-O-Meal Cereal: Chocolate, and Maple and Brown Sugar. Following 24 months: Hot Wheat Malt-O-Meal Cereal: Original.
- **7Maltex** cereals with oats but no wheat Chodosh code Jan 29 18 (18 months after

- packing). Cereals with wheat the code is Jan 29, 18. yyy
- **7 Maypo** oats Chodosh code July 20 17 (1 year after packing). Cereals with wheat the code is Jul 20 17. yyy
- 7 **Millville Oatmeal** by Aldi has a Chodosh code of January 20, 2018 (18 months after packing.) yyy
- 7 Mother's cereals, see Quaker. yyy
- 7 Mother's Wheat Germ. See Kretchmer. yyy
- 7Nature's Path and EnviroKidz cereals, made in Canada with mixture of American and Canadian wheat. Chodosh date on the package: Hot Cereals, All Oatmeals and Pumpkin Flax Granola: January 20, 2018 (18 months after packing); Heritage O's, Multigrain Flakes, Heritage Flakes, July 20, 2017 (12 months after packing) Optimum Blueberry, May 4, 2017 (288 days after packing) Millet Rice Flakes, Smart Bran, May 20, 2017 (10 months after packing); Flax Plus Red Berry Crunch, Flax Plus Maple Pecan Crunch, April 20, 2017 (9 months after packing); Ancient Grains Granola: March 20, 2017 (8 months after packing). Flax Plus Flakes, Flax Plus Raisin Bran, Flax Plus Pumpkin Raisin Crunch January 20, 2017 (6 months after packing). yyy
- **7 Nature Valley Granola** bars. WARNING: Often the outside box that holds a number of granola bars which may have a different date on it than the individual bars inside. Each individual bar must be checked since the date on the bars, not the date on the outside package, is relevant. The Chodosh code for all "Crunchy" granola bars with oats in the ingredients, Chodosh code is Jul 27 17 (372 days after packing.). This may not hold with bars with Spanish print on them that are being produced in South America.
- **7Post** cereals come in a great variety. We are relying on you to check the ingredients to see if they contain oats, wheat, barley, or barley malt. The date on the package is 1 year after packing. Check the ingredients and use the earliest applicable cutoff code: wheat=July 29 17. Barley (not malt) =Aug 9 17, oats=Aug 31 17, malt=Dec 15 17. yyy

|             | **Quaker/Mothers cereals table of package Chodosh dates ****** |            |           |               |                  |
|-------------|--|------------|-----------|---------------|------------------|
|             | <u>Days</u>  | Code-wheat | Code-oats | <u>Barley</u> | <u>Code-malt</u> |
|             | 180  | Jan 25 17  | Feb 27 17 | Feb 5 17      | Jun 13 17        |
|             | 240  | Mar 26 17  | Apr 28 17 | Apr 6 17      | Aug 12 17        |
|             | 270  | Apr 25 17  | May 28 17 | May 6 17      | Sep 11 17        |
|             | 360  | Jul 24 17  | Aug 26 17 | Aug 4 17      | Dec 10 17        |
|             | 540  | Jan 20 18  | Feb 22 18 | Jan 31 18     | Jun 8 18         |
| <u>nada</u> | 540  |            | ???       |               |                  |

3 Then choose the earliest of the dates and the

7Quaker (same for Mothers) cereals come in a great variety. Because of the large amount of data, you need to take a multi-step process to find the Chodosh code. (NOTES: All of this information also is valid for USA packed Quaker cereals sold in Israel. Quaker oats cereals made in England and sold in Israel and Europe are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the London Federation of Synogogues when bearing the KF symbol. [Note: Some people in Israel use the term "Quaker" to refer to all hot oats cereals that need to be cooked. In this Guide, the term Quaker is used to refer only to all products made by the Quaker Company, including cereals eaten with cold milk.] Dates given here do not apply to Ouaker cereals sold in Canada. For cereals made in Canada and sold in the USA there is a special mentions in the Quaker table. Also hot and cold oat bran have different dates. Single serving packages of hot cereals have the same codes as the large packages.)

For Quaker cereals packed in the USA, the wheat or whole grain barley (not barley malt) may be Chodosh if packed July 29 or later. The oats may be Chodosh starting with the packing date of July 20. To help you translate these packing dates to the "best if used by" or shelf life dates on the packages, use the following system:

Steps to check for Quaker cereals:

- 1 Check the ingredients to see if they contain oats, wheat, barley, or barley malt.
- 2 Find the name of your cereal in the "Shelf-life" list below.

appropriate Chodosh package code from the Quaker table given here.

QUAKER AND MOTHERS SHELF LIFE LIST:

CAUTION: This dating code list was given to us by Quaker. We have not checked the kashrus of each item! CHECK KASHRUS BEFORE USING! This information is to be used with the Ouaker/Mothers brands.

<u>180 Days:</u> Breakfast Cookies – All; Chewy Granola Bars – 25% less sugar; Oatmeal to Go Granola Bars; Soft Baked Bars – All; Real Medleys Hot Cereals – All;

<u>240 Days:</u> Chewy Granola Bars; Chewy 90 Calories Low Fat Granola Bars; Granola Bites 90 Calories.

<u>270 Days:</u> Cocoa Bumpers; Graham Bumpers; Peanut Butter Bumpers; Toasted Oat Bran; High Fiber Instant Oatmeal Packets; Cap'n Crunch – All; Corn Bran Crunch; King Vitaman; Natural Granola; Oatmeal Squares –All; Oh!'s – All; Puffed Wheat; Quisp.

360 <u>Days:</u> Chocolate Chip Instant Oatmeal Packets; Life Cereal – All.

540 Days: Oat Bran; Instant Oats; Rolled Oats; Old Fashioned Oats; Quick 1- Minute Oats; Steel Cut Oats; Instant Oatmeal Packets – Original; Apples & Cinnamon; Fruit & Cream; Maple & Brown Sugar; Raisin, Date, & Walnut; Raisins & Spice; Lower Sugar – All;

Consult the Quaker table given in the box for each of the categories listed above.

- 7 **Ralston** instant and Regular Ralston cereals the code for cold, ready to eat cereals is 1 year after packing and is 18 months after packing for hot cereals. For oats products, code for cold cereals, July 20 17, for hot cereals Jan 20 18. For cereals containing wheat, the code for cold cereals is July 29 17, for hot cereals it is Jan 29 18. When the only problem is malt, the code for cold cereals is Dec 15 17, for hot cereals it is Jun 15 18. yyy
- **7 Rite Aid Oatmeal**, single serve packets have a Chodosh code of January 20, 2018 (18 months after packing). yyy
- **7Shoprite** cereals: Hot cereals have a Chodosh code of Jan 20, 2018 for oats and Jan 29, 2018 for wheat. (18 months after packing). Cold Cereals have a code that can vary. Therefore we give a safe date of 11 months after packing that covers all cold cereals. This date is June 20, 2017 for oats, June 20, 2017 for wheat and November 15, 2017 for malt. yyy
- **7 Smackin Good** cereals with the Unger label, use the information given in the Guide for Malt-O-Meal.
- **7 Stop & Shop** cereals. Boxed cereals containing oats: July 20 17 (1 year after packing). Boxed cereals containing wheat, but no oats July 29 17. Oatmeal: July 20 17. yyy
- **7 Sturm and Village Farms** oats cereals and oatmeal in cans (quick and old fashioned) Chodosh packing code July 20, 18 (2 years after packing.) For Farina the Chodosh code is July 29 17. (1 year after packing.) Oatmeal packets Jan. 20, 2018 (18 months after packing). yyy
- 7 **Taanug** cereals with oats but no wheat, the code is July 20 17 (1 year after packing). For wheat, code is July 29 17. For malt, the code is Dec 15 17. The exception is cereals containing flax and the multibran which have a code of April 20, 2017. (9 months after packing). yyy
- 7 Unger cereals with oats the code is July 20 17 (1 year after packing).. For wheat code is July 29, 17. Corn Flakes and other cereals where the only problem is malt, the code is Dec 15 17. If the cereal also has a Malt-O-Meal label, use the above date or the one given for Malt-O-Meal,

- whichever is earlier. **Smackin Good** cereals with the Unger label, use the information given in the Guide for Malt-O-Meal. **Good N' Hearty** cereals with the Unger label. The date on the package is one year after packing. Chodosh code for oats, July 20, 2017. For wheat in the ingredients the code is July 29, 2017. yyy
- 7 Attune Foods Cereals: Uncle Sam Cereals have a code 1 year after packing. For wheat, the code is July 29, 2017. Erewhon Cereals have a code that is 12 months after packing. For Oats that would be a code of July 29, 2017. yyy
- 7 Village Farm Oatmeal See Sturm above
- **7 Vitacost Grain Products**: Items containing oats have a code of Jul 20, 2016 and those containing wheat but no oats have a code of Jul 29, 2016. yvy
- **7WalMart Great Value** products: Quick oats Chodosh code Jan 16, 18 (545 days after packing). Bran Flakes July 20, 2017 (12 months after packing), Farina Jul 29 18 (24 months after packing), for other items call the company at 877-505-2267. Have the product UPC code to give to the agent and ask for the package code for July 20 for oats cereals or July 29 for wheat.
- **7 Weetabix** cereals with oats, the code is July 20 17 (1 year after packing.). The wheat in all nonorganic cereals is winter wheat and is Yoshon. Barley, Aug 09 17. For <u>organic cereal</u> the Chodosh code for the wheat is July 29 17 (1 year after packing.) The malt in all organic cereals is Yoshon. For <u>non-organic</u> cereals, malt may be a problem starting with a code of Dec 15 17.
- **7 Wheatena** cereal uses winter wheat only, however wheat germ and wheat bran may be a problem. They have a code of Jan 29, 17 (18 months after packing). yyy
- **7 ZonePerfact Bars** by Abbot Nutrition have a date of Jul 29, 17 for Wheat (12 months after packing). yyy

#### 8.2 Spelt

See Section 4.7 for information.

# 8.3 Bulgur, cracked wheat, kamut and cous cous

Bulgur, cracked wheat, kamut and cous cous may be Chodosh. We can only recommend the following.

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κ **Osem** Cous Cous, under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim is Yoshon. yyy

THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- **7Arrowhead Mills** Kamut Flour, and Kamut Flakes have a code of Juoly 29, 2017, (1 year after packing). Organic Bulgar has a code of Jan 20, 18 (540 days after packing). yyy
- **7 Hodgson Mills** whole wheat cous cous Chodosh date July 29, 18 (1 year after packing.) yyy

**7Near East** Food Corp cous cous, kabulibulgur, brown rice pilaf with orzo as well as other mixes containing wheat: Chodosh code July 29 17 (1 year after packing). Mixes containing barley such as Whole Grain Blends Chicken & Herb have a code of Aug 9, 2017 (1 year after packing). yyy

**7Savion** cous cous, kosher for Passover is made from matzo meal and is Yoshon. yyy

#### 9. Prepared foods

This section contains the following subsections: 9.1 Frozen foods; 9.2 Airline, hospital and other ready to eat meals; 9.3 Soups and soup mixes; 9.4 Other mixes; 9.5 Beverages including beer; 9.6 Baby foods; 9.7 Candies.

# 9.1 Frozen and other packaged foods

(Notice: Packaged products made in Israel under reliable kashrus hashgochos are always Yoshon. Most of these are not listed here. For those with a printed Yoshon label on the package, some hashgochos take full responsibility for the Yoshon status. Others will not check for the Yoshon status of any malt listed in the ingredients. For more details, see Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2.)

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- **x** Angel's Bakery, Yerushalayim, Israel. Frozen dough products are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerusalayim. yyy
- **x Dr Praeger** fish products, including glutenfree fish products, gefilta fish (under Ungar label) and breaded fish products are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai Unger. yyy
- **x** J&J frozen cheese and potato blintzes are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Yehuda Shain of the Double U Kosher. See other J&J products in the "O" listing below. yyy
- **x** Kosherific fish sticks are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy
- **x** Mazor dough products Yoshon under hashgocho of Rabbi Moshe Bussu even without a label. In addition, the O-K Labs also certifies the Yoshon status if there is a Yoshon label on the package. yyy
- **x** My Own Meals frozen foods are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Moshe Soloveichick. yyy
- **8 Smackin Good Knishes** as well as the Pancake mix, pancakes and waffles are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **a A&B Gefilte Fish** and A&B frozen kishke are Yoshon with a Yoshon label only, under the hashgocho of the CRC and Rabbi Osher Eckstein. yyy
- Awe,Brooklyn, NY 11219. All items Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the KAJ. This includes the frozen products sold in grocery stores. Frozen Pizza and all frozen products sold wholesale are under the Hashgocho of the OU (Warning: the KAJ hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) yyy
- **Dagim** breaded fish products and Falafal balls are Yoshon, with a Yoshon label only, under the hashgocho of the CRC. yyy
- **Dag Yam** breaded fish products are Yoshon, with a Yoshon label only, under the hashgocho of the CRC. yyy
- **a Golden Potato Pancakes** are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Yehuda Shain of Double U Kosher. The zuchini pancakes, sweet potato pancakes, and vegetable pancakes are Yoshon as well. This does NOT include the spinach and Brocolli pancakes. yyy
- □ Graciela frozen cakes are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the KAJ. (Warning: this hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) yyy
- The Memach pie crusts: Graham Pie Crust uses Yoshon flour. The malt may be a problem after a packing date of 12 15 17 (365 days after packing.) This date may change to a later date. Updates will be issued when available. Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. Yyy
- Kineret Products. Onion rings and Fish Sticks may be Chodosh. Updates will be released when available. Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy

- **a Macabee** Only Mozzarella Sticks, breaded egg plants, and breaded mushrooms with Yoshon label are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the O-U. (Macabee pizza is listed in the 7 section below.) yyy
- **a Mendelsohn's** frozen products are all Yoshon under the hashgocho for Yoshon of Rabbi Binyomin Gruber. This also includes items such as falafel balls and the line of "Mealtime Favorites". In addition, the pizza is also Yoshon under the O-U (including the malt.) (Warning: Rav Gruber's hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) yyy
- **a** Mon Cuisine frozen products, see Meal Mart above.
- **△ Mon Dairy** see Meal Mart above.
- **New York Select-Amnon** falafel and other wholesale products Yoshon with Yoshon label and O-U hashgocho. yyy
- **Sea Diamond** frozen products are Yoshon, if there is an O-U plus a Yoshon label on the package. yyy
- **Trader Joe Potato Pancakes** are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Yehuda Shain of Double U Kosher. This only applies to the plain potato pancakes and not to any other products such as the spinach panckes. yyy
- **Tuv Taam Frozen** products are Yoshon, with a Yoshon label only, under the hashgocho of the CRC and the OK Labs. yyy
- □ VegiChef frozen products are Yoshon, with a Yoshon label only, under the hashgocho of the CRC. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- **7Apollo Filo dough** by Athens Foods the code is July 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). Please note that this information does NOT apply to the organic doughs for which code information is not available. yyy
- 7 Aunt Jemima frozen waffles and pancakes the wheat, including whole wheat, may be Chodosh. (Products, if dairy are not Cholov Yisroel, some may not be kosher—look for a hashgocho.) Pancakes that have a "best if used" date on the package, have the Chodosh code of April 29 2017 (9 months after packing.). Waffels with a best if used by date have a code of July 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). Otherwise, if there is no "best by" date on the package, then the Chodosh code is 211J6 (211=day of year, J not important, 6=year.)
- **7 Barney's** Frozen Products, Chodosh code= G 29 6 (G=Jul in alph. Order, 29=date, 6=year). yyy
- **7Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream**: Cookies and Cream, Vanilla Crunch, Chocolate Crunch and any other flavor with wheat, have a Chodosh code of Jan2918 (18 months after packing). yyy
- 7 **Dr. Prager's** Sensible Foods Products containing oats have a code of July 20, 2018. If they contain wheat but no oats, the code is July 29, 2018 (2 years after packing). yyy
- **7 Food Should Taste Good Company** products with wheat in the ingredients, the Chodosh code is Jan 29, 17 (6 months after packing.) yyy
- **7French's French Fried** onions Chodosh code Jul 29 18 (24 months after packing.) **French's Crispy Jalapenos**: Chodosh code Jul 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **7** Gefen Egg Roll Wraps and Won Ton Wraps as well as frozen noodles have a Chodosh code 2906GX (29-day, 06-year, G-month in alph order, other characters not important). yyy
- 7 **Glick's** Graham cracker pie crust: Chodosh code: 21116 (211-day of year, 16-year). These are numbers 9-13 of the code/the middle set of numbers. yyy
- **7 Golden Bowl** won ton wraps: Chodosh code of 291607 (29-day 16-year 07-month). **Golden**

- **Bowl Spring Roll Wrappers**: Chodosh code July 29, 2017 (1 year after packing). Yyy
- **7 Keebler's** Pie Crusts have a Chodosh code of July 29 17 (1 year after packing). yyy
- **7 Kroger Frozen Bread Dough** has a Chodosh code of April 25, 2017. (270 days after packing). yyy
- **7 Lightlife** Smart Ground Original and Smart Ground Mexican Style: Chodosh code: #####6211## (first 4 numbers- not important 6-year 211-day of year, last 2 numbers not important). yyy
- 7 **Macabee** frozen pizza and frozen pizza bagels: Chodosh code of July 29 2017 (1 year). yyy
- **7 McCain** spicy fries and other items containing wheat, the Chodosh date is July 29, 2017 (12 months after packing). yyy
- 7 Morning Star Farms Chick Patties Original: Chodosh code: OCT29 17, (15 months after packing. Griller's Prime Veggie Burgers, Chodosh code: JAN29 18 (18 months after packing). yyy
- **7 Mother's graham cracker pie crust**. Chodosh code 7211 (7=year+1, 211=day of the year). yyy
- **7 Nasoya** Food Co. egg rolls and won ton wrappers have a Chodosh code Sept. 27, 2016 (50 days after packing). yyy
- **70ronoque** frozen pie crusts, have a date that is 540 days after packing, code Jan 20, 2018. yyy
- 7 **Pennant/Fresh Star Bakeries French** Puff Pastry Dough Chodosh code T6211 (6=year, 211=day of year). yyy
- **7 Rhodes** frozen rolls and frozen dough have a Chodosh code April 29 17 (9 months after packing.) yyy
- **7 Tofurky** Italian Sausage and Peppered Deli Slices have a Chodosh code of 11/26/16 (120 days after packing). yyy

- **7 Tofuti cuties** have a Chodosh code of 2216 (221=day, 6=year.) yyy
- **7 Tuscanini Pizzas** are marked with a production code. Chodosh code of 16 211 (16-year, 211-day of year). This code does not apply to pizzas sold in Europe.
- **7** Ungar fish products, have a Chodosh code of JL1629 (JL-Month 16-year 29 day.) yyy

**7Won Ton Food Co.:** Won Ton Crackers Chodosh Code of 72916AAAA (7-month, 29-day 16-year, Letters following are packing and shift info). yyy

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# FOLLOWING PRODUCTS WITH YOSHON LABELS CAN NOT BE RECOMMENDED DUE TO INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION

**o J&J** Ice cream sandwiches. may be Chodosh. yyy

# 9.2 Airline, hospital and other ready to eat meals

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NO CODES REQUIRED

N Meal Mart airline food is always Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Aaron Teitelbaum, the Nirbarter Rav and the O-U. yyy

#### 9.3 Soups and soup mixes

Soup mixes could have Chodosh problems because of noodles, flour, barley and oats.

# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **R** Gefen soups and soup mixes are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Volover Rav. yyy
- x Lieber's soup mixes and Soups in Cups are Yoshon. Under the Hashgacha of Rabbi Weissmandl. yyy

- *x* **Osem** soups when made in Israel are Yoshon under the Hasgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalayim. yyy
- **x** Shibolim matzo ball mix is Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Badatz Eida HaChareidus of Yerushalaim. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **2 Kemach** soups in tubes or boxes: onion and split pea soups are always Yoshon. Vegetable soups have a Chodosh code of 6167A (6-year, 167-day of the year) and Minestrone soups have a code of 6167A, Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nussen N. Horowitz. These codes will be updated when more information is available. yyy
- 2 Streits All soups, soup mixes and cup soups Yoshon under supervision of Rav Moshe Soloveichik and the Kof K. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, Jul 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

**7Kedem** Soup Mixes Chodosh code 6211# (6=year, 211=day of the year, #=not important). yyy

- **7Manischewitz** soups. With barley, the Chodosh code is Aug 9, 2018. With noodles or pasta, the Chodosh code is August 13, 2018. (2 years after packing).
- **7 Rokeach Canned Soups**: Chodosh Code 2259 (225-day of year 9-year+3) yyy
- **7 Shoprite** canned soups Canned soups have a Chodosh code of July 29 18 (2 years after packing.) except tomato soup which has a Chodosh code of Jan 29 18. Dry soup mixes have a Chodosh code of Jan 29 18, (both 18 Months after packing). yyy

- **Tabachnick** soups Chodosh code for frozen soups is 032917 (03=March, 29=date, 17=year), (9months after packing). yvy
- **7 Tradition Soups.** Have one of two forms of code, either Chodosh code of N6211, (N-plant information, 6-year, 211-day of year) or the code BB Jul 29, 2018 (2 years after packing). yyy

#### 9.4 Other mixes

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

7 Near East Food Products, Wheat Salad Mix and Wheat Pilaf Mix Chodosh code Juky 29 '17 (1 year after packing.) Products containing oats, the probable Chodosh date is July 20 '17. yyy

#### 9.5 Beverages

This section contains 9.5.1 Beer; 9.5.2 Other alcoholic beverages; 9.5.3 Non-alcoholic beverages.

#### 9.5.1 Beer

For beer made from barley malt, if the dating code is known, it may be Chodosh if packed on Nov 15 or later, as mentioned in the malt discussion of the Preface above. If the code is not given in the Guide you should try to call the company to find out what is the dating code for Nov. 15. If the dating code is not known, then beer purchased after Dec 15 should be assumed to be Chodosh. (As stated above we recommend that for items containing malt it can be assumed that the malt in packages on the store shelves is Yoshon up to a purchase date of March. 15. However, since some beers have manufacturer's recommended shelf life of only 4 months, we have revised the purchase cutoff date for beers to Dec. 15, unless dating codes are known and it can be determined that the beer was packed before Dec 15.) . \*

### THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

7 **Budweiser** Beer, code "Born on Dec 15 16" yyy

- 7 **Coors** Beer, Code =4 14 17 (4=April, 14=date, 17=year. This date is 120 days after packing). yyy
- 7 **Miller** Brewing Co code=4 13 17 (4=Mar, 13=date, 17=year) this date is 17 weeks after packing). yyy
- **7 Pabst** Brewing Co. Chodosh code =6 166 (7=year, 166=day of the year), 6 months after packing). yyy
- **7 Schaefer Brewing** Co. Chodosh code=6 166 (7=year, 166=day of the year), 6 months after packing). yyy

#### 9.5.2 Other alcoholic beverages

Many alcoholic beverages such as whiskey, bourbon and rum are aged for some time and are Yoshon when sold. However, we did not investigate these fully.

#### 9.5.3 Non-alcoholic beverages

Soy, teriyaki and other cooking sauces were discussed above in Section 7.3. Vinegar was discussed above in Section 7.4. Here we cover beverages meant for drinking, such as beverages derived from soy and other grains.

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- 7 Celestial Seasoning teas containing oats have a Chodosh code July 20, 18 (2 years after packing). Those with wheat, but no oats, have the code of July 29 2018. With barley (not malt) Aug 9 2018. Teas with barley malt have a Chodosh code Dec 15, 2018. yyy
- **7Eden Foods,** Edensoy Carob, Edensoy Vanilla, Edensoy Extra Vanilla, contain barley malt. Chodosh code Dec 15, 2017 (1 year after packing). Edensoy Original and Edensoy Extra Original, contain actual barley. Chodosh code for barley is Aug 9 2017. yyy

**7 Lipton** herbal teas may contain wheat in the ingredients. If there is wheat in the ingredients, then the Chodosh code 7G29 (7=year+1, G=July in alph. Order with A=Jan, B=Feb...H=Aug, X=Sept, J=Oct. 29=date). yyy

**70at Dream** liquid from the makers of Rice Dream. The Chodosh code is July 20, 17 (1 year after packing.) yyy

- **7 Ovaltine** beverage contains malt. Chodosh code 3506 (350=day of year, 6=year). yyy
- **7 Rice Dream** beverages no longer contain any Chodosh related ingredients. yyy

#### 9.6 Baby foods

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **7** Beechnut Baby Food boxes and jars are marked with a date and a code. Look only at the top code, at the first 4 digits. For oats the Chodosh Code is 6720 (6=year, 7=July, 20=day), for wheat the code for July 29 is 6729. yyy
- **7 Gerber baby food** for cereals in plastic containers the date on the package is 456 days after packing. Use Chodosh Code of Nov 16, 2017 for oats and Nov 25, 2017 for wheat. Baby food in plastic cups have a code of 1 year. For wheat: July 29 17 and for oats July 20, 17. For Baby Puffs, it is 15 months after packing. Use Chodosh code of Oct 20 17 for oats and Oct 29, 17 for wheat.

#### 9.7 Candies

#### FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

((Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of

Agriculture. These dates are July 20 for oats, July 29 for spring wheat, Aug 9 for barley, and Aug 13 for durum wheat used in pasta and noodles. For malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

**7Hershey** (Y. S. Brand) licorice uses only winter wheat and is Yoshon. yyy

- **7 Joray Fruit Rollups** contain wheat flour. and have a Chodosh code of 2116 (211-day of year, 6-year). yyy
- **7 Twizzlers** uses winter wheat only. This has been verified by the OU. yyy

#### 10. Food ingredients

This section contains: 10.1 Malt, barley malt; 10.2 Vital wheat gluten. 10.3 Food starch, wheat starch, other ingredients

#### 10.1 Malt, barley malt

#### OVERVIEW OF THE MALT PROBLEM

Malt and barley malt are used interchangeably among the list of ingredients of packaged foods. Unless specified otherwise, whenever a list of ingredients mentions "malt" it is malt produced from barley. Based on many years of experience, we will use Dec 15 as the Chodosh packing date for malt, unless indicated otherwise. Where the package code is not known, we estimate that for all products using malt if they are <u>purchased</u> before March 15, the malt will probably still be Yoshon. An exception is beer, see below.

The following applications of malt pose a problem of Chodosh. Malt is used for several purposes. Check with your Rav or posek on whether foods using malt for <u>flavoring</u> or <u>coloring</u> may or may not be used if they are made from Chodosh barley. <u>Such malt may be Chodosh if purchased after March 15.</u> Applications of malt for flavoring or coloring include cereals flavored with malt such as Corn Flakes and Rice Crispies. Beer is also included in the category of items which are Chodosh because of malt. (Vinegar was discussed above in Section 7.4.)

We have received *psak halochos* many years ago from Harav Hagoan Yaakov Kaminecky ZT"L and others that <u>baking flour</u> that lists barley malt

in the ingredients does not pose a Chodosh problem, because in this application only, the malt is *botul*. (We have included dating codes for some baking flour for those who do not want to rely on this *psak* that this malt may be used. Call the Hot Line for details of this *psak*.)

To summarize: malt produced after Dec 15 may be Chodosh. Some poskim allow such malt to be used in baking flour. Many poskim do not allow such Chodosh malt when used for flavoring and coloring, such as in cereals, cookies and pretzels. Consult your own posek for guidance. This Guide will note when such malt may become Chodosh, and provide dating codes if applicable and available.

- T **Pretzels** The Guide has warned that pretzels contain malt that may be Chodosh. In fact, not all pretzels contain malt. If the ingredients do not list malt, then it can be assumed that the pretzels are Yoshon, if they do not contain whole wheat flour or oats. This is since the usual wheat flour used in crunchy (not soft chewy) pretzels is from winter wheat. If they do contain malt, then they may still be purchased until the purchase date of March 15.
- **7 Beer:** Beer is usually made from barley malt. If the dating code is known, it may be Chodosh if packed on Nov 15 or later, as mentioned above. If the code is not given in the Guide you should try to call the company to find out what is the dating code for Nov 15. If the dating code is not known, then beer purchased after Dec 15 should be assumed to be Chodosh. (As stated above we normally recommend that for items containing malt it can be assumed that the malt in packages on the store shelves is Yoshon up to a purchase date of March 15. However, since some beers have a manufacturer's recommended shelf life of only 4 months, we are revising the purchase cutoff date for beers to Dec. 15, unless dating codes are known and it can be determined that the beer was packed before Nov 15.)

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

7 **Heinz** specialty vinegars made from concentrated sources of malt, such as malt vinegar, tarragon vinegar and salad vinegar. Chodosh cutoff for malt is Dec 15. Malt vinegar has a Chodosh code of 1669 (30 months after packing.) (166=day of year, 9=year+3). Tarragon

and salad vinegars have a Chodosh code of 3499. yyy

#### 10.2 Vital wheat gluten

THE FOLLOWING ARE WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, THERE IS A NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

(Note: Dating codes are given here for Chodosh cutoff manufacturing dates derived from crop harvest data supplied by the US Dep't of Agriculture. These dates are, July 29 for spring wheat, for malt the Chodosh date is Dec 15.)

- 7 Arrowhead Mills Vital Wheat Gluten in 10 oz packages have a Chodosh Code of Jul 29, 18 (2 years after packing). Vital wheat gluten in 25 pound bags have a code of Jul 23, 18 (724 days after packing). yyy
- 7 Hodgson Mills vital wheat gluten Chodosh code 01 29 18 (18 months after packing.) yyy

# 10.3 Food starch, wheat starch, other ingredients

**Audolized yeast** no known Chodosh problems **Brewer's yeast** It is questionable whether this poses a Chodosh problem or not. Brewer's yeast is listed as an ingredient in some foods such as some potato chips.

**Food starch** is usually made from corn and is not Chodosh according to the O-U

Maltodextrin when used as an ingredient in foods produced in the USA does not have any Chodosh problems according to the O-U. However when used in foods produced in Europe, it may be made from wheat which could be Chodosh. It is not clear whether wheat must be listed in the ingredients in that case.

**Modified food starch** is usually made from corn and is not Chodosh according to the O-U

**Torula yeast** no known Chodosh problems. yyy

#### 10.4 Vitamins

THE FOLLOWING ARE WITH HASHGOCHO, NO NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**x** Freeda Vitmains do not contain any of the 5 grains and do not pose any Chodosh problems (they do contain Kitniyos) under Hashgocho of the Beis Din of New Square

# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**7 Maxi Health Vitamin** and nutrition products: The only products with potential chodosh problems are Naturemax and Fibermax powders. The Fibermax pills have no Chodosh ingredients. All other products no problem. For the above products use the date of 7-20 (this is Jul 2020) (4 years after packing). yyy

# 11. Professional bakery flour and other bakery ingredients

Yoshon flour used by Yoshon bakeries, pizza shops and such for bread, chalahs, rolls, coffee cake, pizza, etc. has been available one of three ways:

- 1. Yoshon wheat has been stored in separate silos, along the silos of Chodosh wheat. The Yoshon wheat has been sealed by the O-U and is only opened and ground into flour under the supervision of the O-U mashgiach. This Yoshon wheat would be milled each week and was shipped directly to the distributors and bakeries without the need to store flour before shipment. Therefore this Yoshon flour has the same freedom from worms that the freshly ground flour has all year around. (This freshly ground flour has been only available in large 50 and 100 pound bags sold to bakeries. It was not sold to consumers.)
- Flour made from winter wheat, which is always Yoshon and is freshly ground. Since such flour does not have a high enough protein level, the protein is increased by adding winter-wheat derived vital wheat gluten or some stored, Yoshon spring wheat. This year,

- once more, a version of this type of Yoshon flour is being produced under the hashgocho of the Kof-K.
- 3. The third approach is the one that was most often used in the past years and is still being used. The flour is produced at the end of the summer before the Chodosh wheat enters the mill. It is then stored and used on an ongoing basis until Pesach. If this flour is stored in cold storage then the problem of worms developing in the flour is virtually zero.

# Yoshon Flour Distributors for the New York Region:

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **2** Ardent Mills Flour Yoshon with Kof-K Hashgocho and a Yoshon label that was packaged in Albany, NY or Puerto Rico is Yoshon. It is freshly milled from stored Yoshon wheat. This applies to all purpose, whole wheat flour and high gluten flours.) yyy
- **2** Caravan dough enhancers with CRC stamp on the box are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the CRC. The 6-grain products ARE Yoshon. All with a Yoshon label only. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

7 **Duso Co. (formerly Mountain Commodities)** Sid Leiser, 800-582-4770. Duso carries Yoshon and non-Yoshon items. This company sells General Mills and Cargill flour. General Mills flour from Buffalo (mill code BF) Chodosh code Jul 29 6 BF. For the Cargill and other flours the Chodosh code is either 6211, or July 29 16, which is the date the flour was milled.

7 General Mills Flour: see Duso Co. above yyy

7 Cargill Flour: see Duso Co. above. yyy

WARNING: Dough Conditioners are used by many bakers to improve the quality of their breads, rolls and challehs. These bakers are trying to produce Yoshon, using Yoshon flour.

However, some have not realized that dough conditioners are usually Chodosh.

**7Puratos** Bagel Improver is a dough conditioner that is used by several bagel shops. Even though the company may claim that it is made from winter wheat, the Kof-K that provides the hashgocho for this product will not certify that claim. Therefore, as of a packaging date of July 29, this item may be Chodosh. The code for July 29 is 03297### (03=month, 29=day, 7=year, ### not important.) This date is 8 months after packing. Yoshon stored supplies of this item are available from Velenti Co. 718-565-1300 speak to Bob Cory. Please check with your local bagel shops. Many may not be aware of the fact that this or other dough conditioners may be Chodosh! yyy

# ESTABLISHMENTS AND SERVICES

DISCLAIMER: The Guide to Chodosh does not give hashgochos for kashrus or Yoshon. The listing of any facility in this Guide does not mean that we investigated its kashrus. For kashrus and Yoshon assurance, look for the certification by responsible kashrus organizations or individual mashgichim.

WARNING: One time it was found that a bagel bakery was making regular bagels from Yoshon flour and whole wheat bagels from Chodosh flour. Bagels have to be cooked before baking. It was found that the Yoshon bagels were being cooked in the same utensils that were being used each day to cook the Chodosh whole wheat bagels. The problems at this bakery were corrected, under the guidance of the responsible hashgocho organization. However, there is no guarantee that such problems were unique to this bakery alone. Mashgichim and consumers who deal with bagel bakeries making both Yoshon and Chodosh bagels must make sure that the same boiler is not used for both.

**SPICY FRIES WARNING:** Many restaurants, pizza shops and similar establishments offer fried

foods. The menu of fried foods includes fried potatoes. Many of the "spicy fries" and some of the regular french-fried potatoes contain flour that may be Chodosh. The same oil is used to fry other items including falafel balls. Ask you posek or Rav whether those careful about Yoshon are allowed to eat these other fried foods that are inherently not Chodosh, but are fried in the same oil as the fries that contain possibly Chodosh flour. It should be noted that many such establishments have double fryers. This means that the pot of oil may have two baskets immersed in it at the same time. So therefore, it is possible that the questionable fried potatoes and the other non-Chodosh item share the same oil at the same time. Unless certified otherwise, all fried items have this suspicion. We thank Kehilah Kashrus for originally pointing out this problem.

**WARNING:** Some <u>tuna fish and tuna fish salads</u> used in restaurants contain bread crumbs or flour. Care must be taken to make sure that such ingredients are Yoshon.

# 12. Metropolitan New York City Area

This section contains the following subsections: 12.1 New York City, 12.2 Monsey, and 12.3 New Jersey

# 12.1 Brooklyn and Manhattan and Long Island

#### 12.1.1 Catering and takeout

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **Meisners** Catering Brooklyn has many Yoshon items, under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nesanel Sommer of Monsey. Ask about specific products (Warning: this hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) yyy
- **New Star Caterers** at Congregation Ohr Torah of North Woodmere, 410 Hungry Harbor Road

718-891-8100. Yoshon available upon request under the Hashgocho of the OU. yyy

**Zami** Caterers, 707 Ave U Brooklyn, Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Nesanel Sommer of Monsey. (Warning: this hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) yyy

#### 12.1.2 Wholesale bakeries

THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES NO NEED TO CHECK FOR DETAILS

- \* Mehadrin Bakery see Mezonos Maven. yyy
- **Mezonos Maven** baked products sold in groceries in the New York area are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of the O-U and the CRC.

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

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- a Chantilly Bakery or the World of Chantilly in Brooklyn is Yoshon under the hashgocho of the KAJ. (Warning: this hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) yyy
- Tranczoz Bakery Franczoz brand items are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the KAJ only if the package has both KAJ and Yoshon printed on it. Those items with a Yoshon label and the CRC hashgocho are Yoshon under the CRC. (Note that items under the Abraham Franczoz label are NOT Yoshon. (Warning: The KAJ hashgocho does not check the Yoshon status of malt which may be a problem after Dec 15. For a discussion of malt, see the malt date in the Preface and Section 10.1.) Also not Yoshon are Franzcoz and Abraham Franzczoz brand, rolls and whole wheat bread given out with hospital foods.) yyy

- 2 Meisner Takeout & Catering, 2924 Ave. I, Brooklyn, (718)338-7888. Everything made in store is Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rav Yisroel Gornish. The few items brought into the store that are not Yoshon are labeled as such. Meisner Take-Home and Catering, on New Utrecht Ave is under hashgocho for Yoshon of Tarnopol Kashrus. yyy
- **Pita Express Pita**, Pita and bakery products are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the OU.

#### 12.1.3 Retail bakeries

#### FOLLOWING MAY BE CHODOSH

- **π Sova** breads, hot dog buns and other products are probably Chodosh. yyy
- ₹ Sowa see Sova above. yyy
- π Sovo see Sova above. yyy

# 12.1.4 Restaurants and other Food Establishments

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. <u>Caution is urged when buying items</u> brought in from elsewhere.

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES NO NEED TO CHECK FOR DETAILS FOR ITEMS PRODUCED IN THAT STORE

- **\* Kings Highway Glatt** 497 Kings Highway, Brooklyn, NY 11223, 718-382-7655. All in house products yoshon under the Hashgocho of the OU. yyy
- x Mendel's Pizza, 4923 18<sup>th</sup> Ave Brooklyn (718) 438-8542 or 8943. Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rav Amrom Roth. yyy
- **\* Say Bagel and Cheese,** 1304 Ave M, Brooklyn, (718) 998-8778 Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Bais Horoah D'Flatush Rav Yehoshua Spero. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

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- **Breadberry Supermarket** in Boro Park: Takeout, Butcher and Bakery are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Tarnopol Kashrus, Rabbi Naftoli Meir Babad. yyy
- **a Kosher Deluxe Restaurant**, 10 West 46<sup>th</sup> St, New York City. Only bakery items and the flour in items made at the store are Yoshon. Other items, including pasta, fried items, barley may be Chodosh. Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Avrohom Roth. yyy

# 12.1.5 Kew Gardens, Kew Gardens Hills, Other Queens and Long Island

No information is available at the time of this printing.

#### 12.1.6 Five Towns, Long Island

THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES NO NEED TO CHECK FOR DETAILS FOR ITEMS PRODUCED IN THAT STORE

- All of the following are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Vaad Hakashrus of the Five Towns unless otherwise noted.
- **N Bagel Boys**, 598 Central Ave., Cedarhurst is Yoshon. yyy
- x Benny's Brick Oven Pizza, Yoshon yyy
   x Bogos Pizza 206 Rockaway Tpke Lawrence
   yyy
- x Carlos and Gabby 143 Washington Ave. yyy
   x David's Famous Pizza 580 Central Ave.,
   Cedarhurst. yyy
- **x** Fishplate at 140 Cedarhurst ave Cedarhurst yyy

- **x Frankel's Catering-** 1913 Cornaga Ave. Far Rockaway yyy
- **x** Giant Bagel 480 Rockaway Turnpike, Lawrence. yyy
- **x** Gotta Getta Bagel 1039 Broadway, Woodmere is Yoshon yyy
- **\* Hapina Steakhouse** 128 Cedarhurst Ave., Cedarhurst is Yoshon. NO EXCEPTIONS. yyy
- **x** Jerusalem Famous Pizza, 344 Central Ave., Lawrence. yyy
- ₦ Mom's Pastries, 517 Central Ave., Cedarhurst yyy
- **N Oldak Catering** at Shor Yoshuv, Far Rockaway yyy
- R Pizzale at 560 Central Ave., Cedarhurst yyy
- x Pizza Pious, 1063 Broadway, yyy
- **Rockaway Pizza** 1858 Cornaga Ave., Far Rockaway. yyy
- ℵ Sunflower Cafe, Lawrence yyy
- **ℵ** Sushi Tokyo- 337 central ave, Lawrence yyy
- nthe Coffee Bar 345 Central Ave., Lawrence yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

All of the following are Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Vaad Hakashrus of the Five Towns unless otherwise noted.

**a Ab Food Services**, 802 Hicksville Road, Far Rockaway (and takeout at Kosher World 1913 Cornaga Ave., Many items are Yoshon. yyy

- **and Meat will be Yoshon, Catering is Yoshon, exceptions will be posted.** yyy
- **Cravingz** 410 Central Ave., Lawrence is Yoshon. Any Exceptions will be posted at the store. yyy
- **Darchei Torah** 257 B. 17th Street, Far Rockaway- Yoshon Except for the Cereal. yyy
- **Diplomat Caterer** is Yoshon. The diet program is not Yoshon. Be sure not to confuse this with Diplomat Catering above. yvy
- **a Gourmet Glatt Emporium** at 137 Spruce St., Cedarhurst, takeout of Chap-A-Nosh all products are Yoshon. Simply Sushi is Yoshon. Schwartz's Appetizing is Yoshon. Bakery is yoshon (see Zomicks) INCLUDING multigrain bread. Ossies fish department IS certified as Yoshon. yyy
- **Seasons Supermarket** 330 Lawrence Ave., is Yoshon including bakery, sushi, takeout, meat and fish departments. This applies to the Lawrence store only. **Shloimys Heimeshe Bakery** at Seasons is Yoshon. yyy
- **Sharmel Caterers** 3436 Lawson Blvd., Oceanside is Yoshon. Please ask mashgiach Rabbi Yaakov Kranzler at 718-755-7445 for any possible exceptions. yyy
- **Traditions Restaurant**, 302 Central Ave., Lawrence. Yoshon, Chodosh items will be posted. yyy
- **Zomicks**, 85 Inip dr., Inwood Items with Yoshon label are Yoshon. Multigrain bread is Yoshon. Changes will be posted. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING ARE WITHOUT HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**7 Rosenblum's** Self Service Market, 82-38 Lefferts Blvd., (718)441-3111 carries a large selection of Yoshon bakery and other items. However, not everything in the store is Yoshon. yyy

**7 Wasserman Supermarket** 72-68 Main Street, Flushing, NY, (718)544-7413 stocks a large variety of Yoshon products. However, not everything in the store is Yoshon. yyy

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#### THE FOLLOWING MAY BE CHODOSH:

**7 Central Perk**, Cedarhurst Ave., Cedarhurst, Chodosh. Note that this store serves pas palter. yyy

#### 12.2 Monsey

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. Caution is urged when buying items brought in from elsewhere.

#### **Bakeries**

THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

#### Restaurants, Catering, Pizza and Pita Stores:

THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES NO NEED TO CHECK FOR DETAILS FOR ITEMS PRODUCED IN THAT STORE

- **x Bagel DeLox,** 421 Rt 59, Monsey. Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Yechiel Steinmetz. Yyy
- **x** La Pizzeria 421 Rt 59, Monsey, 845-425-2002. Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Yechiel Steinmetz. yyy
- **Monsey Bar B Q** on Route 59 is Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai Unger. yyy
- x Monsey Take Out, 40 Main St. Monsey, (845) 425-2300. Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai Unger. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the

facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. <u>Caution is urged when buying items</u> brought in from elsewhere.

- 2 Eli's Bagels, 58 N. Myrtle Ave, Monsey. Yoshon with the exception of fancy cookies, under the hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai Unger.
- **Purple Pear**, 106 Rt. 59, Monsey. 106 Rt. 59, Monsey. Many items Yoshon. Ask in store. Under Hashgocho of Rabbi Zishe Blech. yyy
- Rockland Kosher <u>bakery section</u> is Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Meshulam Polatsek only for items produced in store. Deli is not certified as Yoshon. yyy
- **Shelli's Too**, Items baked on premises are Yoshon. Fried items may be Chodosh, Spicy Fries are Yoshon. Under the hashgocho of Rabbi Shlomo Ullman. yyy
- **Sushi Metsuyan**, 314 Saddle River Road Monsey, 845-517-0022 Many products are Yoshon, Ask in store about individual items. Under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Zishe Blech. yyy

#### 12.3 Upstate New York-Catskills

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### 12.4 New Jersey

#### Fairlawn

No information is available for this location at this time

#### **Hillside**

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### Manalapan

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### Passaic, Passaic Park

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### **Teaneck**

No information is available for this location at this time

#### Deal

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### 12.5. Lakewood

Local Contact: Rabbi Yoseph Greenfeld, 1172 Tiffany St, Lakewood, (732) 364-1979 and Rabbi Shimon Greenfeld, 1 Kew Gardens Rd, (732) 364-7576.

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### 13. Other USA Cities

This section contains the following subsections: 13.1 Baltimore, 13.2 Boston, 13.3 California, 13.4 Cleveland, 13.5 Chicago, 13.6 Detroit, 13.7 Miami, 13.8 Silver Springs-Washington

#### 13.1 Baltimore

Local contact: Star-K of Baltimore, (410)484-4110.

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. <u>Caution is urged when</u> buying items brought in from elsewhere.

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**2** Cocoaaccinos 2831 Smith Ave, Baltimore 410-653-3888 Only one type of sandwich and the pizza dough is available as Yoshon upon request. Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Zvi Weiss. yyy

**2 Pearlstone Conference & Retreat Center,** 5425 Mt. Gilead Rd, Reistertown, MD 21136, 410-429-4400. Yoshon available on request. Under the hashgocho of the OU. yyy

#### 13.2 Boston area

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### 13.3 California

#### Los Angeles

Local contact: Rabbi Nachman Morgan, 343 N. Detroit, 323-938-2428

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. <u>Caution is urged when buying items</u> brought in from elsewhere.

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES NO NEED TO CHECK FOR DETAILS FOR ITEMS PRODUCED IN THAT STORE

- **\* Classic LaPalais Bakery,** Los Angeles, Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbinical Council of California. yyy
- **\* Continental Bakery**, Los Angeles: Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Rabbincal Council of California. yyy
- **\* Love Bakery**, Los Angelos: Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Rabbinical Council of California. yyy
- **Renaissance Bakery**, 1450 Friar St. Van Nuys Ca. Yoshon. Under the Hashgocho of Rabbinical Council of California. Yyy
- א Super Pita: Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Rabbincial Council of California. Yyy
- \* Unique Bakery is Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Rabbinical Council of California. This does not apply to the Café. yyy

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS:

- **2 Brami's Pizza** is Yoshon except Pasta, Tostadas and Burritos under the hashgocho of the Rabbincial Council of California. yyy
- **2 Delice Bakery** Yoshon under Hashgocho of the OK Kosher West, except for Muffins. **yyy**
- **2** Eliat Bakery Yoshon under Hashgocho of the Kehilla Kosher of LA, except for Muffins.
- **2 Pizza Mizza** is Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Rabbinical Council of California except tostadas and burritos. Yyy
- **2 Shalom Pizza** is Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Rabbinical Council of California except toastadas and burritos. yyy
- **2 Schwartz Bakery** 441 N. Fairfax Ave. and 8616 W. Pico Blvd. (313)653-1683. Yoshon under Hashgocho of the OK Kosher West, except for Muffins. yyy
- and white pita are Yoshon (not whole wheat) under the Hashgocho of the OK Kosher West. The whole wheat pita is not Yoshon. yyy

#### THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**7La Brea Kosher Market**, 410 North La Brea Ave., Los Angeles. Telephone 323-931-1221. Yoshon grocery products and baked goods are available. Please check the label on packages for Yoshon information. yyy

#### 13.4 Cleveland area

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### 13.5 Chicago

Local contact: Chicago Rabbinical Council cRc) (773) 465-3900. (Note this cRc should not be confused with the CRC (Central Rabbinical Congress-Hisachdus, located in Brooklyn.)

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON AT ALL TIMES NO NEED TO CHECK FOR DETAILS FOR ITEMS PRODUCED IN THAT STORE OR FACILITY

- **x** Midwest Conference Center, 401 W. Lake St, Northlake, IL 60164, (847) 679-7500. Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Chicago Center for Torah and Chesed and R' Chaim Goldzweig. yyy
- **MetroKlub** Restaurant, Chicago. Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Chicago Center for Torah and Chesed. yyy
- x Tel Aviv Bakery, 2944 West Devon, Chicago, (773) 864-8877. Yoshon under the hashgocho of the O-U. yyy

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# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**Romanian Kosher Sausage**, Chicago, Kishke is Yoshon under the Hashgocho of Rabbi Mordechai Turkeltaub. yyy

# 13.6 Detroit, Oak Park, Southfield MI

Local contact: Rabbi Berel Broyde, 15130 Burton, Oak Park, MI, (248) 968-3057. Hashgocho for Yoshon: Vaad Harabonim of Greater Detroit (COR) 248-559-5005

#### 13.7 Florida

#### Miami

Local contact: Rabbi Manish Spitz, 4510 Post Ave., Miami Beach, Fla. 33140, (305)672-1240. If help is needed, contact Rabbi Spitz.

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. <u>Caution is urged when</u> buying items brought in from elsewhere.

# THE FOLLOWING WITH HASHGOCHO, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

- **2 Kastner's Bakery** Yoshon at this time. Check with the mashgiach, Rabbi Manish Spitz for any changes. yyy

#### THE FOLLOWING WITHOUT HASHGOCHO FOR YOSHON, NEED TO CHECK DETAILS

**7 B E Kosher** on 1436 Alton Rd. Miami Beach phone 531-7060 stocks a range of Yoshon groceries, including Franczoz breads. Ask for Avrohom Brody. yyy

# 13.8 Washington DC, Silver Springs area

Note: The hashgochos of Yoshon listed in these sections only refer to food produced within the facility. Many bakeries and other establishments may sell packaged goods produced elsewhere that may be Chodosh. <u>Caution is urged when buying items</u> brought in from elsewhere.

#### Rockville/Potomac Locations:

- **a** Goldberg's New York Bagels, 4824 Boiling Brook Pkwy, Rockville, MD 20852, (301) 816-9229. Special orders only. Pre-order required. Check with store for availability. This applies to this location only and not to the other locations. yyy
- **Siena's Pizzeria and Restaurant,** 11417 Woodglen Drive, Rockville Maryland 20852, (301) 770-7474. all regular pizzas and calzones are Yoshon under the Hashgocho of the Capitol K. yyy

#### **Silver Spring Locations:**

**Ben Yehuda Café and Pizzeria,** 1370 B Lamberton Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20902, (301)681-8900. All pizza and calzones are

Yoshon. Coated Fries and Pareve Meat Items may not be Yoshon. Under the Hashgocho of the Capitol K. yyy

- **The Kosher Pastry Oven,** 1372 Lamberton Drive Silver Spring, MD 20902, (301) 592-8844 Baked goods are all Yoshon under the hashgocho of the Capitol K. yyy
- **a** Moti's Market: Bakery has some Yoshon products under the hashgocho of the Capitol K. See list in Bakery. yyy
- **Sunflower Bakery**, 8507 Ziggy Lane, 240-361-3698, all bakery products are Yoshon excluding products containing oats, under the hashgocho of the Capitol K. yyy

#### Section 13.9 Connecticut

No information is available for this location at this time.

#### 14. Israel

#### 14.1 Food exported by Israel

Food produced in Israel under hashgochos considered reliable for kashrus are also always Yoshon. In addition all items produced under the hashgocho of the Badatz of Yerushalayim are also always Yoshon, even if they are packed outside of Israel.

#### 14.2 Food imported to Israel

Many of the American-brand-name food items that are sold in Israel and other countries are produced under contract outside of the USA. The information printed in this Guide should not be assumed to apply to any food items purchased outside of the USA, unless you have a clear indication that that item was indeed produced in the USA. This Guide cannot vouch for the relevance of information printed in the Guide for such items produced in other countries.

**General Mills.** According to the O-U, all wheat used in General Mills cereals is always

Yoshon, with the possible exception of wheat GERM. Wheat germ could be Chodosh stating with a packing date of July 29. Wheat starch is not a problem of Chodosh (see preface.) Barley (but not barley malt) may be Chodosh stating with a packing date of Aug 9. Oats may be Chodosh starting with a packing date of August 31. This date has been verified by the O-U. Therefore, all cereals, including Cheerios that contain wheat germ in the ingredients have a Chodosh date on the package of Aug 5 '17 (372 days after packing). Those containing barley, such as Multigrain Cheerios, the Chodosh date for the barley is also Aug 16 '17. All cereals that contain oats but no wheat germ or barley, the Chodosh date is Sept 7, 17. If the only questionable ingredient is malt, then the Chodosh code is Dec 22 2017. Fiber 1 Original only is Yoshon. (Note: These products are not formally under the hashgocho of the O-U for Yoshon. ).

7 General Mills/Nestle cereals sold in Israel. Cereals under the hashgocho of the Manchester Beis Din are Yoshon, Cereals manufactured in America have the same Chodosh code as given above for General Mills cereals. However this is only true if the box states General Mills, Minneapolis, MN and also has an O-U kashrus symbol. Cereals made in Poland are NOT recommended.

Quaker cereals sold in Israel have the same codes and dates as the listing for the same items sold in the USA, as stated in Section 8.1 of this Guide. Quaker oats cereals made in England and sold in Israel and elsewhere in the world are Yoshon, under the hashgocho of the London Federation of Synagogues, if there is a KF symbol on the package. (Note: Some people in Israel use the term "Quaker" to refer to all hot oats cereals that need to be cooked, regardless of the company which manufactures it. In this Guide, the term Quaker is used to refer only to products made by the Quaker Company, including cereals eaten with cold milk.)

**Rabbi O. Y. Westheim.** Everything under his hashgocho is always Yoshon everywhere in the world. This includes Bobbie's fish products sold in Europe.

**Kedassia, London.** Everything with this hashgocho on it Yoshon everywhere in the world.

London Federation of Synagogues advised that to their knowledge all crackers and biscuits produced in Europe are Yoshon. Obviously not all of these are under the hashgocho of the Federation. All packaged products with the Federation's KF symbol are always Yoshon, whether sold in Israel or elsewhere.

IMPORTANT NOTE: As mentioned above, food produced in Israel itself under reliable hashgocho is always Yoshon. However, we have ample evidence that many packaged goods are being imported to Israel with no concern about the possibility that they may be Chodosh. Importers often paste their own labels, in Hebrew on such packages, describing the foreign kashrus organization that vouches for the kashrus, but not the Yoshon status, of the contents. The general public in Eretz Yisroel is more strict about Chodosh than the majority of people in Chutz L'Aretz. Nevertheless, this public is often not aware that some of the hashgochos in Chutz L'Aretz are not usually actively avoiding Chodosh. We are warning our brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisroel about this problem and we urge our readers to also spread the word.

# 15. Elsewhere in the world

This section includes: 15.1 Antwerp; 15.2 Canada; 15.3 England; 15.4 Johannesburg; 15.4 Melbourne;

#### 15.1 Antwerp, Belgium

The locally grown wheat is always Yoshon. The bakeries use local wheat flour for breads and chalahs, making these Yoshon. Some of the bread-like cakes, such as yeast cakes may be Chodosh. For pasta, ask for Israeli products, which are always Yoshon. Barley that is locally grown is Yoshon. However, apparently, during some years, most of the barley used for cholent comes from North America and may be Chodosh. For up to date information, contact Rabbi S. Golovenshitz, 011-323-230-8537. We are not aware of any facilities producing Yoshon under hashgocho in Antwerp.

#### 15.2 Canada

#### **Toronto**

Local contact: COR, Rabbi Yehoshua Norman (416) 635-9550. The COR publishes several Chodosh Bulletins during the season. Consumers in Canada should contact the COR directly for copies of these bulletins. All items from wheat and oats made in Canada are Yoshon at least up to a packing date of Sept 22.

#### Montreal

For Chodosh information about Canada in general and Montreal in particular, contact Rabbis Peretz Jaffee or Y. Wenger of the Jewish Community Council of Montreal, 5491 Victoria Ave., Montreal, (514)739-6363. This organization publishes several Chodosh Bulletins during the season. Contact this organization directly for copies of these bulletins.

#### 15.3 England

#### London

Local contact: Rabbi Michoel Scharf of Kedassia. Office phone: 011-44-208-800-6833, Fax: 011-44-208-809-7292

All packaged items, under the hashgocho of **Kedassia** are certified Yoshon. Most bakeries are Yoshon. The season starts in Nov. or later. Contact them for updated bakery lists.

Federation of Synagogues, London. Telephone number 011- 44 - 208 - 202 - 2263. Dayan Moshe Elzas. All packaged products with the Federation's KF symbol are always Yoshon, whether sold in Israel or elsewhere.

**London Beth Din**, Rabbi Gershon Feinsilver. Telephone number 011 - 44 - 208 - 343 - 6253. Contact them for some Yoshon information.

#### Manchester

Local contact: **Manchester Beth-Din**, 00-44-161-740-9711Many services are Yoshon under the Beth Din, check with them.

#### Gateshead

Local contact: Rabbi Elozor Lieberman, 37 Grasmere St West, Gateshead. Telephone 011-

44-191-477-1598. All food establishments in Gateshead, England are Yoshon under the hashgocho of Rabbi Lieberman.

Guide. Under that look for Yoshon Update. You can also call them at 011-27-11-485-4865.

#### 15.4 Johannesburg, South Africa

Up to date Yoshon information is available from the UOS, The Union of Orthodox Synagogues of South Africa in Johannesburg. Their Yoshon Bulletin may be accessed on the Web at the address www.uos.co.za. Look for the Kashrus

#### 15.5 Melbourne, Australia

For local information, contact Kolel Bais Hatalmud, 362A Carlisle St. Balaclava, Melbourne (3183). We are not aware of any facilities producing Yoshon under hashgocho in Australia

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