

**The Following Are Considered Chometz Gamur (real Chometz): Beer, Bread, Cake & Cookies, Cereal with primary ingredient of wheat, oats or barley, Cream of Wheat, Couscous, Farfel, Licorice (when wheat is in the ingredients), Oatmeal (Instant, Regular Baby Cereal), Pasta, Pretzels, Rolled Oats, Wheat Gluten/Wheat Protein, Yeast (Brewer's).**

### **CHOMETZ SHE'AVAR ALAV HAPESACH**

(BUYING CHOMETZ AFTER PESACH)

Due to the severity of the "Issur" (prohibition) of Chometz, Chazal reinforced the sale of Chometz with a fine. This fine was levied on any Jews who kept Chometz in their possession or ownership during Pesach. This is called "Chometz She'avar Alav HaPesach." Jewish law requires that if a Jew owns Chometz on Pesach, no Jew is allowed to eat that food, even after Pesach.

Some common products that one may assume are Chometz, (but are actually not), and therefore may be purchased in a store that did not sell their Chometz are the following... baker's yeast, cosmetics, dry cake mixes, kitniyos, glue containing Chometz, ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, pickles, medicine containing Chometz, maltodextrin, maltose, malt flavoring, food coloring, flour, extracts, raw pearled barley, vanilla and vitamins/medicine containing Chometz.

Rav Moshe Feinstein ZT"L, in his sefer "Igros Moshe", states that if a Jew sold his Chometz for Pesach, and then kept his store open during

Pesach and continued to sell items of Chometz, one is nevertheless allowed to buy from that store after Pesach.

**A Jew may buy from the following stores immediately after Pesach: 7-Eleven, Albertsons, Aldi, BJ's, Bev/Mo, Big Lots, Bristol Farms, Coffee Bean, Costco, CVS, Dollar Tree, Erewhon, Food4Less, Food Lion, Fresh & Easy, Gelson's, Jetro/Restaurant Depot, Jon's, K-Mart, Nuts & More, Petco, Petsmart, Ralphs/Kroger, Rite Aid, Royal Farms, Sadaf, Safeway, Sam's Club, Smart & Final, Smith's, Target, Trader Joe's, Vons/Pavillions, Walgreens, Walmart, Wegmans, Whole Foods, Wine & Liquor Depot**

**In addition, all reliably certified Kosher stores are fine to shop in for Chometz after Pesach since all reliably certified Kosher stores all sell their Chometz before Pesach.**

Note: Rabbi Elmaliach, the Rabbi in charge of Kashrus at Ben Gurion airport, reports that the stores at area D7 in the airport are clear of Chometz She'avar Olav Hapesach. The other stores in other areas of the airport had their Chometz sold but were open on Pesach and continued to sell Chometz during Pesach. Some Poskim allow purchases from such establishments after Pesach, while some do not. Please **note** that many of the products sold in Ben Gurion airport which are certified Kosher in the U.S. are not kosher there due to being produced in other countries without kosher supervision

### **KASHERING**

(MAKING UTENSILS KOSHER)

Utensils that are used during the year for Chometz may not be used to prepare food for Pesach unless they are properly Kasherred.