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*Kashering *

The laws of *kashering* for *Pesach* are very extensive. If anyone plans on kashering pots, pans or utensils they should contact the Rabbi.

Only metal or wood utensils can be kashered. This year in Houston all kashering must be completed by 12:03 PM on Monday, April 22, 2024.

Plastics, china, stoneware, porcelain, Pyrex or enamel articles cannot be kashered.

The prevailing custom is not to *kasher* glassware. In a case of great necessity, one may kasher glassware by soaking it for three consecutive 24-hour periods.

Pyrex is not considered to be glass and cannot be kashered.

One may Tovel (not Kasher) dishes, pots, etc. anytime on Erev Yom Tov or Chol Hamoed. However one should not Tovel those items on Shabbos or Yom Tov.

Tables that are normally used with chametz during the year should be cleaned well and covered for *Pesach*. There is a *minhag* (custom) to use four table coverings over a chametz table during Pesach.

Towels and tablecloths that are laundered well may be used for *Pesach.* It is preferable not to *kasher* a terylene tablecloth. Starch should not be used on any tablecloth. Plastic tablecloths which were used for chametz cannot be used for Pesach.

As a service to the community, the HKA will once again be kashering utensils before Pesach.

Sunday April 14th @ Torah VaChessed 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

5925 S. Braeswood Blvd., Houston TX 77096

- Utensils cannot be used for 24 hours prior to Kashering.
- Utensils must be cleaned thoroughly prior to Kashering.
- Any stickers and labels must be removed.
- Only METAL UTENSILS that are in good condition may be Kashered.
- No strainers, graters, frying pans and baking pans will be Kashered.
- The process of Kashering includes dipping the utensils in boiling water to cleanse it.

Suggested donation: non-members \$20 / HKA members, \$10.

For more information about the HKA Pre-Pesach Utensil Kashering Program, please contact Tzivia Weiss @ 832-477-2406 / tzivia@kosherhouston.org For more information about the HKA, you may visit online at: http://kosherhouston.org/

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Before *kashering* any range or stovetop, it should not be used for 24-hours.

An **electric range** is *kashered* by first cleaning all areas well. The range is then turned on high for fifteen minutes.

🖺 A **gas range** differs only in that the tripods should be covered when *kashering* so that the heat should be distributed.

All the other areas of the range, including the bibs, should be cleaned and covered with foil, or replaced for *Pesach*.

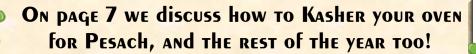
☐ Glass cooktops: Most *poskim* hold that glass cooktops cannot be *kashered* for *Pesach*. For more information see http://www.star-k.org/articles/kosher-appliances/2931/kashering-glass-corning-halogen-or-ceran-cooktops/

₩hile the area directly above the heating elements get hot enough to be considered *Kashered* through the *Libun* process, the area between the burners is not *Kasherable* according to the Star-K. The Star-K has also determined that it is unsafe to try and cover the area between the burners. Therefore, the Star-K recommends the use of a metal disk that is an 1/8 of an inch thick, if you want to use your glass cook-top on Pesach. A readily available product that fits this requirement is an Induction Disk. Click link here for examples of what an Induction disk is:

https://www.magneticcooky.com/best-induction-cookware-converter-disks/

Oven Hoods & Exhaust Fans should be cleaned well and made devoid of all food residue.

Your burners need to be kashered first
before you can heat water
for kashering any other part of your kitchen
that requires Iruy (pouring water).
So Kasher your burners first,
and then move on from there.





⇒ *Countertops* that cannot be *kashered* should be cleaned well and covered.

⇒ The Star-k discusses *kashering* many different countertop materials here: http://www.star-k.org/articles/articles/kosher-appliances/2937/kashering-countertops/

M Granite Countertop Notes M

There have been many questions about kashering granite countertops.

→ The Star-K says that only pure granite can be *kashered* - not granite composite.

⇒ The CRC does not differentiate in its allowance.

There are 2 methods for kashering granite.

⇒ A. Pouring boiling hot water from a kettle that was heated on the fire directly on every single spot of the counter. If you use this method then after the counter is *kashered* hot pots should not be placed directly on the counter.

⇒ B. Using an iron or a steamer. If an iron is used one must first put water on the counter. The iron or steamer must be held on every spot on the counter until the steam or water in that spot is boiling in place.

⇒ It is probably better to just cover granite counters for the one week of *Pesach*, due to the complexity involved in *kashering* them.

Please click here for *Kashering* Safety Tips from the Star-K & Hatzalah of Baltimore.

https://www.star-k.org/articles/wp-content/uploads/ PesachBookPosterWeb.pdf

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Sinks



Porcelain Sinks and your Pesach kitchen:

<u>Porcelain sinks</u> cannot be kashered for Pesach because the porcelain itself cannot be kashered.

To render your porcelain sink usable For Pesach:

- (1) The faucet & handles should not be exposed to hot water for 24 hours prior to kashering, nor should you put anything hot into the sink for the 24 hours prior to kashering.
- (2) Clean all areas of the sink.
- (3) Pour boiling water over the faucet & handles first. (The boiling water should have been heated in a Pesach pot. Therefore your stove-top needs to be Kashered before you can deal with your sink.)
- (4) Then repeat the process for the entire inside (walls, base, and drain) of the sink.
- (5) After you pour the boiling water over each section of the sink, pour cold water over those same areas.
- (6) Then cover your porcelain sink with contact paper.

How to Kasher Your Stainless Steel Sink:

<u>Stainless steel sinks</u> can be <u>kashered</u>. (1) Prior to <u>kashering</u>, nothing hot may be poured or placed into the sink for 24-hours. (2) You may not even set a hot pot down into the sink during the 24-hour period prior to Kashering. (3) Additionally, the faucet & handles should not be exposed to hot water for 24 hours prior to Kashering.

- ⇒ Before the 24-hour period begins, it is advisable to clean your stainless steel sink well with hot water and scouring powder, making sure to clean well around the drain using a toothpick.
- ⇒ It is also a good idea to shut off the hot water under your sink for the 24-hours before *kashering*.
- ⇒ Tip: if possible lay a large towel across your sink as a reminder not to put anything hot directly into the sink during this time period.
- ⇒ Just before you are ready to *Kasher* your sink, clean the entire sink well with cold water and scouring powder (especially if the sink was used after you cleaned it the day before). Remember to use a toothpick to clean around the drain.
- ⇒ You must also clean your faucet & handles very well. Calcium and

lime buildup should be cleaned off with a calcium and lime buildup cleaner, like CLR. If your faucet is the pull-out sprayer kind, please see the next page for -"Sprayers that are on your sink, or a part of your faucet."

The Process of Kashering Your Stainless Steel Sink:

⇒ Your stove must have been *kashered* already in order to use a *Pesach* pot or *Pesach* kettle to *Kasher* your sink. (See rules on previous page for kashering your "Range or Stovetop".)

שירוי) over the faucet, handles, and entire surface (walls, base and drain) of your sink. This will necessitate the boiling of several kettles or pots of water until boiling water has been poured over every part of your sink. — The hot pot should not be placed directly in the sink.

⇒ You may fill your *Pesach* pot with cold water from your *chametz* sink to boil for *kashering*.

with the faucet & handles, pour the first boiling water that you heated in your *Pesach* pot or kettle all over the faucet and handles. **Do not put the hot pot directly down in the sink.** Once that section is complete, pour <u>cold water</u> over the faucet and handles to complete the *Kashering* process of the faucet and handles.

Now repeat the process for the other sections of your sink. Since the process will take several pots of boiling water, break them down into sections — walls, base, drain. Working your way from the top down—(a) Boil water in your Pesach pot. (b) Pour the boiling water all over the next area of your sink that you are *Kashering*. (c) Once that section had boiling water over all parts of it, then pour cold water over that area to complete the *Kashering* process of that section of your sink. (d) *And* <u>REMEMBER</u> not to put the hot pot directly down in the sink!

⇒ Once your sink has been properly kashered for Pesach, it is important to note that you should not place a hot pot directly into the sink until <u>after</u> Pesach. This is because the method used to Kasher your sink was by pouring (עירוי כלי ראשון) and not immersion (הגעלה).

Kashering your Sink—
Sprayers, Faucets, and Gadgets,
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Spayers that are on your sink, or a part of your faucet:

Sprayers that are on your sink are usually made of plastic and should not be Kashered for *Pesach*.

⇒ Built-in spray hose, which means we can pull out the faucet and spray water all around our sink. How do we *kasher* that faucet for *Pesach*?

The first step in *kashering* any item is to remove all residual chametz. The Rama states that any utensil which has small cracks and crevices where food might get caught should not be *kashered* for *Pesach* because of the difficulty in getting the utensil perfectly clean. This poses a concern for many pull-out faucets because the hose is made of a ribbed material where bits of food can get trapped, and then fall out into the *Pesach* food. Accordingly, any faucet with this type of hose cannot be *kashered* for *Pesach*.

The main concern is if the faucet is pulled out, thereby exposing the ribbed portion of the hose. Therefore, one may use the faucet on *Pesach* if (a) the hose is not pulled out, and (b) the rest of the faucet is *kashered* in the typical manner. However, be aware that many of these hoses have plastic which we do not *kasher* for *Pesach*.

If you have any of these issues, check your manual to see if you can get a replacement faucet to use every year for *Pesach*.



(Above) Sink Sprayer: Attaches to the side of your sink.



(Below) Pullout faucet sprayer: Is usually made of a combination of plastic and metal.



⇔ When you are *Kashering* your sink, pour boiling water over the sprayer and all areas around it. If you have a replacement sprayer for *Pesach*, switch it out for the *Pesach* one after your sink is *kashered*. Getting a replacement spray head for *Pesach* for this kind of sprayer is usually inexpensive, and can be done if you want to use the sprayer on *Pesach*. Otherwise, clean it anyway but do not use on Pesach. (Covering it with a plastic bag held on by a rubber band to hold the bag in place is an easy way to remember not to use it during the

holiday).



- ⇒ <u>If your faucet itself is a pull-out sprayer</u>, you will need to determine if it is plastic or metal. Most are a mix of plastic & metal.
- ☐ If it is entirely metal, then you can *Kasher* it. However, usually only the industrial ones are entirely metal.
- ☐ If it is not entirely metal, then it would be best if you can replace the sprayer part of your faucet with a separate one that you would reuse every year on *Pesach*. Contact the manufacturer of your faucet to find out how to acquire a replacement faucet. If this is not possible or too costly, then please speak with the Rabbi.

Sink Gadgets & Accessories

- ⇒ If you have a **hot water dispenser** on your sink, you should pour hot water all over it while you are *Kashering* your sink, **but it should not be used on Pesach**. If possible, unplug it 24 hours before *Kashering* your sink, and do not reconnect it until after **Pesach** once you change back your kitchen for **chametz**.
- ⇒ A separate *aerator* is required for *Pesach*. (That's the thing that gets screwed onto the spout of your kitchen sink.)
- ⇒ Kosher for *Pesach drain covers* and *dish racks* are also required.

....And remember, your stovetop needs to be fully Kashered before you can start heating water to Kasher your sink.

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How to Kasher your Oven

(for Pesach and all year long)

Regular & Continuous-Cleaning Ovens

SETTING IT UP:

Before *kashering* any oven, it should be cool and unused for 24-hrs.

Before kashering your oven, all areas must be perfectly clean.

Special care should be taken to clean the door area of your oven **BEFORE** kashering.

Special care must be given to the racks, particularly where the spokes meet. If the racks are not totally clean, they cannot be kashered.

Cleaning is best accomplished with an oven cleaning caustic like "Easy Off". Remaining dirt should be removed with a razor blade.

FINAL STEP for Kashering a Regular Oven: After cleaning a regular oven, fill a clean disposable aluminum pan with water, place it in the oven and turn the oven on high for one hour. If the oven has two coils (such as a top coil for broil and a bottom coil for bake), each one should be on for an hour each. After this step, your regular oven will be kashered.

A continuous-cleaning oven should be treated like a regular oven.

Convection ovens are very difficult to *kasher*. If necessary, please speak to the Rabbi.

Broiler pans cannot be *kashered* for *Pesach*. If you wish to *kasher* the broiler part of your oven, a new or disposable pan should be purchased. Even if you are not kashering the broiler, it must be cleaned thoroughly.

Self-Cleaning Ovens

A self-cleaning oven is kashered by running a 3-hour self-clean cycle.

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Before kashering your self-cleaning oven, it should be cool and unused for 24-hours.

Special care should be taken to clean the inside of the door area and the inside of the seal on your self-cleaning oven BEFORE kashering.

> It is recommended to thoroughly clean the area beyond the seal, both on the door and on the outside of the oven prior kashering.

> After you run a self-clean cycle for 3 hours, your oven should be kashered. The dirt inside your oven should be reduced to ash and carbonized residue. If any

stains are left on the door, clean the remnants manually.

If you have an older oven and the interior surface of your oven is damaged or the coils do not function properly, you may have a problem kashering your oven effectively.



Microwave Ovens

As the technology of microwaves has changed over the years, more and more Poskim agree that they should not be kashered for Pesach. However, if you must *kasher* your microwave, this is the procedure:

To kasher a microwave oven, it should first be thoroughly cleaned and not used for 24-hours.

A clean utensil filled with water is then placed in the oven and the oven is turned on. The water should boil for 15 minutes.

The floor of the microwave should then be changed or covered with plastic wrap.

If your microwave has a glass (usually Pyrex) turntable, before Kashering your microwave the *chametz* turntable should be removed and put away until after Pesach, as it is not Kasherable.

REMEMBER - All kashering MUST be finished By Monday, April 22nd, 12:03 PM!!





Kitchen Kashering Recommended order of procedures

- (1) Clean & scrub your sink, counters, and range/stovetop prior to Kashering.
- (2) Turn off the hot water in your sink 24 hours before you plan to Kasher your kitchen, and stop using anything hot in the areas that you plan to Kasher.
- (3) After 24 hours of "cold", Kasher your range/stovetop first! Do this first because you will need a Pesach burner to heat your Pesach pot of water for Kashering purposes.
- (4) Once your stovetop is Kashered, you can then use a Pesach pot and proceed to boil the necessary water to pour on other areas of the kitchen that are to be Kashered.

Follow the detailed Kashering guidelines in this section.



Appliances, Gadgets & Accessories



Cooking & Baking Appliances:

Note: See previous pages for Cooktops, Ranges, Ovens & Microwaves.

Barbecue: One may use a new or kashered barbecue during the week of *Pesach*. If you wish to kasher your BBQ that is normally used for chametz to be used during *Pesach*, please contact the Rabbi for more information. All kashering must be completed along with the rest of your kashering on erev Pesach.



The motor of a **blender** or **food processor** may be used if the other parts are changed or kashered.

Broilers cannot be *kashered*.

A separate *Pesach* crock pot should be used for Pesach. Separately sold "crock pot *liners"* are acceptable for Pesach.



Why would I need a toaster on Pesach??!!

A *mixer* or *Kitchen-Aid* that is used during the year should not be used on Pesach, even with new blades and bowls.

A separate *Shabbos blech* should be purchased.

Togsters and togster-ovens cannot be kashered.

Warming Drawers cannot be *Kashered* for *Pesach*. They should be cleaned, sealed, and not used during Pesach.

Warming Trays: If you wish to use your regular warming tray on *Pesach*, it must be clean and covered well with aluminum foil. Be certain that you are not creating a safety hazard.

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Beverage Appliances & Accessories:

NOTE: All *gadgets* that are used with only cold water may be cleaned and used for *Pesach*. This includes *water fountains*, *filtered water & spouts*, and the *ice & water dispensers* on a refrigerator. (*Also see Refrigerators & Freezers*.)

Brita — A separate Brita Water Filter Pitcher may be used on Pesach. Some models also have electronic indicators for monitoring the filter status and should be avoided on Shabbos and Yom Tov.

Coffee Accessories:

→ Coffee Grinder— If used for grinding flavored coffee during the year, the coffee grinder must be cleaned thoroughly before using for *Pesach*. Flavored coffees require Passover certification. Coffee Grinders should not be used on *Shabbos* or *Yom Tov*, but may be used on *chol HaMoed*.

Coffee K-Cup Brewers — Cannot use the same K-cup machine on Pesach that is used during the year. See Coffee Section in this guide for more information on the K-cups themselves.

→ Coffee Makers— A separate coffee maker should be used for *Pesach*.

A separate *hot water urn* should be purchased for *Pesach*.

SodaStreamTM seltzer is Kosher for Pesach. The Carbon Dioxide cylinders and the Carbon Diozide Gas Filling are Kosher for Pesach even without a Passover symbol. The unit itself can be wiped clean and used for Pesach. Separate SodaStream soda bottles need to be purchased for Pesach, as you cannot use the same plastic bottles that you use during the rest of the year. Unless otherwise noted, SodaStream flavorings may not be used on Pesach.

Please note that many of the newer SodaStream models have electronic indicators that turn on when filling bottles. Those models may not be used on *Shabbos* or *Yom Tov*, but may be used on *Chol Hamoed*.



In Memory of Batsheva Rochel bas Nachman Hakohen, Benita Cohen, from those who love & miss her.

Other Appliances:

Dishwashers cannot be kashered for Pesach.

Refrigerators and Freezers:

→ Wash well, with special care given to the shelves and racks. Covering the shelves is **not** necessary.

The automatic ice maker box should be washed well before use. Ice from the icemaker may be used on *Pesach* after the unit has been cleaned.

⇒ *Ice & cold water dispensers* on the refrigerator door may be cleaned and used for *Pesach*.

□ lce cube trays should be put away with your *Chametz* dishes.

If it is very difficult to clean **behind your refrigerator and freezer**, it need not be moved.

BATHROOM Accessories on Pesach:

Bathroom sinks need not be kashered.

Toothbrush holders should be cleaned and not used.

New **toothbrushes** should be used.

Electric toothbrushes: Put away the chametz heads. Kosher for Pesach heads are required. Wipe down the electric handle, which may be used on chol hamoed Pesach.





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Cleaning for Pesach:

Books:

→ **Benchers** from the rest of the year should be put away for *Pesach*.

Seforim that are brought to the table during the year should be checked for crumbs before you bring them to the table on *Pesach*.



Floors:

- → All *floors* must be washed or vacuumed well.
- → Your *vacuum bag* should be emptied by 12:03 PM on April 22nd.
- → One should have a separate **broom** & **dustpan** for **Pesach**.



High Chairs:

- → *Plastic high chair trays* should be cleaned well & covered.
- → *Metal & wood high chair trays* may be *kashered* by using the procedure for a stainless steel sink.
- → The *high chairs* themselves should be

cleaned well, eliminating all traces of chametz food and grime.

Shelves, drawers, cabinets:

- → *Kitchen drawers* should be cleaned well and relined.
- → All *kitchen cabinet* shelves that you normally use during the year should be cleaned and then covered with some kind of paper or shelf liner before using for *Pesach*.
- → All **shelves** & **drawers** should be cleaned well before using them for *Pesach*. As a general rule, areas that are used for food or dishes during the year should be relined if using on *Pesach*.

Trash:

- Garbage Cans inside the house: Clean to make certain that there is no Chametz on the inside or outside of the cans. (Having a child hose them out in the backyard can be a helpful time saver.)
- Garbage Cans outside the house: This is a good time of year to hose out the inside and outside of those big garbage cans that the city has provided for our homes. Remember to make certain to eliminate any Chametz that you may come into contact with on those cans. It is not necessary to over-obsess while cleaning the big cans, as they are owned by the city. Garbage that is placed in the city garbage bin can stay on your property.
- Recycling Cans: While you are hosing the garbage cans, remember to clean your Recycling Cans. These are in danger of having recognizable Chametz "drippings" on them from containers that may not have been totally clean when they were disposed of. Recyclables that are placed in the city recycling bin can stay on your property.

Other items:

Candlesticks/Tray: Clean thoroughly. They should not be put under hot water in a *Kosher for Pesach* sink.

Jewelry: Jewelry that comes in contact with food (like rings) should be cleaned before the holiday.

I Toys: It is not necessary to clean toys or scrub areas that are not used with food.

→ Remember to check storage areas within your toys to make sure that your kids didn't "store" any *chametz* there.

Let Vases that are on the table during the year may be used on Pesach if they are washed inside and out.

■ Washing cup used in kitchen — metal can be kashered and plastic should be put away with chametz dishes.

Water pitchers that are used during the rest of the year should be put away with your chametz dishes.



In general, the purpose of cleaning is to find recognizable pieces of chametz. It is <u>not necessary</u> to clean toys or scrub areas that are not used with food.



Kitniyos 🛭

Ashkenazic Jews do not eat any foods on Pesach that contain Kitniyos.

The following are considered to be *Kitniyos:*

- Anise Aspartame Beans Buckwheat
- Canola oil Caraway Cardamom
- Chickpeas Coriander Corn. Corn oil
- Corn syrup/Glucose syrup Cumin
- Edamame Fennel Fenugreek Flax s (Linseed)
- Green Beans Kasha Kimmel Lentils
- Licorice Linseed Lucerne Lupine Millet MSG
- Mustard Peas Popcorn Poppy seeds Rapeseed
- Rice Saffron Sesame Sorbitol Soy (Soybean)
- String beans Sunflower seeds Tofu Vetch.

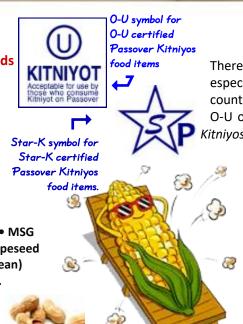
From the cRc: Dill Seeds are considered to be **Kitniyos**, however Dill Leaves are acceptable for use on Pesach without Passover certification.

The following may be Kitniyos and are therefore not used by Ashkenazim on *Pesach*:

- Amaranth Peanuts
- The use of **peanut oil** is questionable for use by Ashkenazim on Pesach.
- Cottonseed oil with Passover certification is permitted by Ashkenazim and Sefardim alike.



Tahini (made from sesame seeds) and Humus (made from chickpeas & tahini) are both Kitniyos and should not be used by those who do not eat Kitniyos on Pesach.



Ashkenazim Beware!

There are many products on the market for Passover that contain Kitniyos, especially those imported from Israel, France and other European countries. Many of these products may also have Kitniyos certification from the O-U or the Star-S. However, it is possible that some imports may not have the Kitniyos symbol. Many of these products are candy and will say "LeOchlay

Kitniyos" on the packaging. Check the ingredients. Please note that dextrose and glucose are generally corn derivatives.

🌡 Passover Certified Kitniyos 🌡



The **O-U** and the **Star-S** (a division of the Star-K) each have *Kashrus symbols* (shown on this page) to mark those Passover products that may be used only by Kitniyos users during Pesach. Those who do not eat Kitniyos may own those products over *Pesach*, but should not eat from it until after Pesach. Those who do not eat Kitniyos on Pesach that realize they accidentally purchased a Kitniyos product and discover it on Pesach do not need to throw it out. It's not *Chametz*, just put it away for the week.

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Quinoa Notes



Many Rabbis have determined that Quinoa is not Kitnivos. The previous controversy existed because quinoa bears some distinct similarities to grains that are chametz or Kitniyos. Additionally, quinoa can often be found growing in close proximity to those chametz or kitniyos grains. However, under supervised conditions, the cRc, the Star-K, and the OU all agree that quinoa is acceptable for Pesach when bearing special Passover certification. Several different brands of Passover certified guinoa are available in the national marketplace.

The following article from the Star-K offers more details regarding how quinoa is prepared and what the problems in the past were all about:

www.star-k.org/quinoa.





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Section 2

Kosher for Passover Product lists

Every house contains hundreds of products that do not require Passover certification.

However those products should be examined before being used on Pesach. Included now is a basic list to help you get started. On the following pages we include many products that do not require Passover certification.

Products that already have Passover certification on the packaging might not be listed here.

All processed products without special Passover supervision MUST be purchased prior to Pesach.





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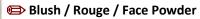
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The following is a basic list of COSMETICS THAT MAY be used on Pesach, unless otherwise noted. Other makeup may also be ACCEPTABLE. This is NOT A COMPLETE LIST OF ALL MAKEUP products.



- All Powders are acceptable.

Eye Liner - any brand without grain ingredients.

Eye Shadow - any brand without grain ingredients.

Hair Remover - All are acceptable.

Hair Mousse & Gel- May be used for Pesach. Erev Yom Tov and Chol Hamoed use **only** (not to be applied on *Shabbos* or *Yom Tov*).

Hairspray - Any brand that does not contain alcohol or wheat protein.

→ Aveda Control Force Firm Hold Hair Spray

→ Pantene Flexible Hold Alcohol Free Air Spray

→ Pantene Lightweight Finish Alcohol Free Hair Spray

□ Lipstick / Lip makeup — Also see Lip Therapy in our Basic Product List.

- Lipstick should only be used on Pesach if known to be chametz free.

The following list of lipsticks do not contain chametz ingredients.

Clinique - Almost Lipstick; Butter Shine Lipstick; Cartridge Pencil for Lips Refill; Chubby (Plump &

Shine Liquid Lip Plumping Gloss; Stick Baby Tint; Stick Intense

Moisturizing Lip Colour Balm; Stick Moisturizing Lip Color Balm); Different lipstick; Dramatically Different Lipstick Shaping Lip Colour; Even Better Pop Lip Colour Foundation; High Impact Lip Colour; High Impact Lip Colour Spf 15; Long Last [Glosswear; Glosswear SPF 15; Soft Matte Lipstick]; Moisture Surge Lip Hydro-Pump

The cRc offers an online search engine for checking lipsticks for Pesach. Click here for more information:

www.crckosher.org/lipstick

Many cosmetics contain ethyl alcohol, which is chametz. (Isopropyl alcohol is not chametz.) Though most of these products are inedible, it is preferable not to use them on Pesach. A detailed list of those products which do not contain chametz is available in

shul. Check the Product Guide in this issue. Some are listed.

Treatment; Quickliner For Lips. Estee Lauder - All-Day Lipstick; Automatic Lip Pencil Duo; Gloss Lip Liner; Peony Lipstick Pot Trio; Pure Color Crystal Lipstick; Pure Color Envy [Crystal Sculpting Lipstick; Lip Volumizer; Liquid Lip Potion; Matte Sculpting Lipstick; Metallic Matte Sculpting Lipstick; Nighttime Rescue Lip Oil-Serum; Oil-Infused Lip Shine;

Paint-On Liquid Lipcolor; Vinyl Lipcolor]; High Gloss; Lipshine; Long Lasting Lipstick; Color Sheer Rush Lipshine]; The Estee Edit [Cocobalm Coconut Oil Infused/ Lips; Mattifield Lipstick; The Barest Contour Lip Liner]; Victoria Beckham Lip Gloss / Lip Pencil. Mac - Dazzle Lipstick; Dazzleglass; Dazzleglass Crème; Mac Lipmix [Black; Blue; Burgundy; Clear Gloss; Clear Satin; Crimson;

Cyan; Deep-Tone; Nude; Fuchsia; Magenta; Mid-Tone Nude; Orange; Red; White; Yellow]; Mac Lip (Erase Lip Balm, Pencil,

Scrubtious); Mac LipMix (Black, Blue, Burgundy, Clear Gloss, Clear Satin, Crimson, Cyan, Deep-Tone Nude, Fuchsia, Magenta, Mid-Tone Nude,

Orange, Red, White, Yellow); Pro Longwear (Lipstain Marker; Lustre Lipcolour); Satin Lipstick. Maybelline - (Baby Lips Glow Balm; Baby Lips Moisturizing Lip Balm); Color Sensational [Color Elixir Lip Lacquer; Creams, Matte; Lip Liner;

Powder Matte.); Great Wear Lipstick; Long Wear Lipstick; Long Wearing Lipstick; Super Stay 24 2-Step; SuperStay Matte Ink Liquid. Revlon - Colorstay Ultimate

Liquid Lipstick.

Mascara - Any brand without grain ingredients.

Nail Polish - Any brand.

Nail Polish Remover - Any brand.

Perfume/Fragrances - Should only be used if without any chametz ingredients. Some acceptable fragrances include:

• Clinique Aromatics Elixir Perfume Stick;

• Estee Lauder Beautiful Perfume [Body Creme; Body Lotion; Body Powder; Belle Solid Perfume]; • Estee Lauder Pleasures [Loose Dusting Powder; Perfumed Body Lotion; Solid Perfume];

• Mac Squirt Balm Editions of 1,000; • Tommy Hilfiger [All Over Body Spray; Girl All Over Body Spray; Impact Energizing Body Spray].

→ Many of the Mary Kay products contain chametz, and should be avoided during Pesach, unless you know that it chametz free.

Can't find what you are looking for?

See page 16 for Rabbi Bess' list of chametz ingredients in Toiletries...



2024 Medications

Note Regarding Medications:

Many medicines can contain chametz. Almost all tablets contain starch, which generally is from corn. However, occasionally wheat starch is used. Liquid medicines often contain alcohol, which is sometimes chametz. Vitamins can also contain chametz. A detailed list of medicines will be available from the Rabbi. Check the Product Guide in this issue, some are listed here. If anyone needs a medicine over Pesach and can't find an approved one, please speak with Rabbi Wender!

Please note that the following is just a basic medications list.

Abdominal discomfort & Acid

- <u>Alka Seltzer</u> Original Effervescent Tablets; Extra Strength Effervescent Tablets may be used on *Pesach*.
 - → Alka-Seltzer Gold and Alka Seltzer Plus Sever Cold Powerfast Fizz contain chametz.
- Benefiber Advanced Digestive Health Prebiotic Fiber + Probiotics (NOT other versions) [manufactured by Glaxo] is gluten free and MAY BE used on *Pesach* without *Pesach* certification.

<u>Benefiber</u> - Other Benefiber products contain wheat dextrin, which is *chametz*.

• <u>Dulcolax</u> - Laxative Tablets, Laxative Pink Tablets, Laxative Liquid, Stool Softener, and Pink Liquid Gels[gelatin] that are manufactured by "Chattem" are acceptable for use on *Pesach*.;

 <u>Dulcolax</u> - Overnight Relief (Tablets) and Suppository are acceptable for use on *Pesach*.

- <u>Imodium AD</u> Multi-Symptom Relief Caplets) may be used on *Pesach*.
 - <u>Imodium A-D</u> Oral Solution, (manufactured by McNeil) may be used on *Pesach*.
 - Loperamide HCl (generic Imodium manufactured by Teva) may be used on *Pesach*.

One should be aware that medications with flavorings may have possible chametz issues. This includes film coated pills that are swallowed whole (non-chewable). So whenever possible, it is preferred to use medications that are known to be chametz free.

See box on next page for more details...

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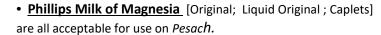
- <u>Kaopectate</u> (Caplets; Liquid [All Flavors]) manufactured by Chattem) may be used on *Pesach*.
- <u>Metamucil</u> (3-in-1 Fiber Capsules [gelatin]; 4-in-1 Fiber Real Sugar Unflavored Course Powder) all may be used on *Pesach*.
 - ➡ Metamucil 4-in-1 Fiber Sugar-Free Berry Powder, Metamucil 4-in-1 Fiber Sugar-Free Orange Smooth Powder, and Metamucil Premium Blend all contain *Kitniyos*, but may be used by those who need it.
 - ⇒ <u>Metamucil</u> Fiber Thins Wafers (Apple, Cinnamon, Chocolate) all contain *chametz* (wheat) and is not recommended for use on *Pesach*.
- MiraLax is acceptable for use on Pesach.

• Pepcid Generic —

- Famotidine for Oral Suspension (manufactured by Zydus) and Famotidine Tablets (manufactured by Teva) may both be used on Pesach.
- <u>Pepto Bismol</u> Original Liquid, may be used on Pesach.
- Pepto Bismol 5 Symptom Relief Caplets may be used on Pesach.

→ Pepto Bismol 5 Symptom Relief (chewable) may contain *chametz*.

→ Pepto Bismol Kids Pepto (bubble gum flavor chewable tablets) may contain chametz.



- <u>Prevacid Capsules</u> [manufactured by Takeda] is acceptable for use on *Pesach*.
- → Prevacid Solutabs [manufactured by Takeda] contains *chametz*.





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More Meds...



→ While Tums products contain *Kitniyos*. There are also those of the opinion that in addition, Tums may also contain flavorings that are derived from *chametz*.

Adwe produces "Heartburn Relief", which is an alternative to Tums, that is Kosher for Passover.

• **Zantac 360** — is acceptable for use on *Pesach*.



- <u>Clinique Acne Solutions</u> [Acne + Line Correcting Serum; BB Cream Broad Spectrum SPF 40; Clearing Concealer; Cleansing Foam; Cleansing Gel; Emergency Gel-Lotion; Oil-Control Cleansing Mask.]
- Oxy [Acne Treatment Lotion; Daily Defense Face Scrub; Daily Defense Face Cleanser; Detox Acne Wash; Max Action 10% BPO Face Wash; Maximum Action 10% BPO Treatment Lotion (Vanishing); On The Go Acne Stick; Sensitive 5% BPO Wash; Volcanic Ash Scrub.]
 - ⇒ Oxy Daily Cleansing Pads Sensitive Skin contains *chametz*.
 - ⇒ Oxy Maximum 3 in 1 Cleansing Pads contains *chametz*.
 - ⇒ Oxy Maximum Daily Cleansing Pads contains *chametz*.

Allergy.....Cold....Fever.....Pain...

- <u>Advil</u> (Advil Tablets; Advil Caplets; Allergy Congestion & Relief; Allergy Sinus Coated Caplets; Cold & Sinus Caplets; Dual Action; Menstrual Pain; Multi-Symptom Cold & Flu Tablets; PM Caplets, Tablets; Sinus Congestion and Pain Tablets.) [manufactured by Pfizer] are all acceptable for use on Pesach.
- ⇒ Advil Junior Strength Chewable Tablets contains chametz ingredients.
- ⇒ Also see Ibuprofen.
- <u>Aleve</u> [Arthritis Pain Gel Back & Muscle Pain Caplets, Tablets Headache Pain Aleve PM];
- Aleve-D [Sinus & Headache Sinus & Cold].
- ⇒ Also see "Naproxen".



Medication Notes

Flavorings — Film Coatings

- ▶ One should be aware that medications with flavorings may have possible chametz issues. This includes film coated pills that are swallowed whole (non-chewable). So whenever possible, it is preferred to use medications that are known to be chametz free.
 - ▶ A regular glaze that is <u>not flavored</u> does not pose a problem for *Pesach*. However, sometimes the coatings have an added flavoring, so it is best to check the ingredient panel to make sure there are no flavorings added to the coating.
 - An example of a flavored coating would be Advil pills that are "film coated", as opposed to just plain coated. The possible chametz issue would be in the "film" part of the coating because it may have some sort of flavor that is added to it, but by definition might not appear as an added flavor on the packaging.
- Allegra Allergy [manufactured by Sanofi] may be used on Pesach.
- Allegra Allergy Children's [12 hr Tablets; Oral Suspension; Suspension; OD Tablet] are all acceptable for use on *Pesach*.
- Allegra [12 hr; 24 hr Tablets] may be used on *Pesach*.
- Allegra-D [12 hr; 24 hr Tablets] may be used on Pesach.
- Allegra Hives may be used on Pesach.
- Amoxicillin [Capsules; Chewable; Tablets; Oral Suspension] may all be used on *Pesach*.
- Amoxicillin & Clavulanate Potassium: [Chewable Tablets; Oral Suspension; Tablet] may all be used on *Pesach*.
- **Bayer Aspirin** [Back & Body; Children's Aspirin; Genuine Aspirin; Chewable Low Dose Asprin; Extra Strength; Low Does Aspirin; Women's] **may all be used on** *Pesach*.
- **→** Bayer Rapid Relief contains *Chametz*.
- Claritin [Tablets] may be used on *Pesach*.
- Claritin -D [Tablets] may be used on *Pesach*.
 - ☐ Clarinex RediTab contains chametz.
 - **□** Claritin RediTabs contain *chametz*.
 - **□** <u>Claritin</u> Chewable Tablets contain *chametz*.
 - ☐ Claritin Children's Chewable (grape) contains possible chametz.





- Ibuprofen
 - ⇒ Signature Care Children's Ibuprofen Grape Flavor **Chewable Tablets** may be used on *Pesach*.
 - ⇒ Also see entries for Advil, Midol, and Motrin.
- Midol Capsules; Midol Complete Caplets may all be used on Pesach.
- Motrin / Motrin IB [caplets; coated caplets; Children's Liquid (all flavors); Infant Liquid (all flavors)].
- Motrin PM [coated caplets].
 - ⇒ Also see Ibuprofen.
- Naproxen [Tablets; Sodium Tablets; Delay; Sodium].
- Nasal Spray [Atrovent; Azelastine; Calcitonin-Salmon; Fluticasone Propionate; Nascobal; Neo-Synephrine; Zicam Cold Remedy].

The following Tylenol products may be used on **Pesach:**

- Tylenol Children's Cold + Flu Oral Suspension [All flavors].
- Tylenol Children's Pain + Fever Chewables [All Flavors].
- Tylenol Children's Suspension [All flavors].
- Tylenol Infant's Oral Suspension [All flavors]
- Tylenol Regular Strength [Tablets].
- Tylenol Regular 8 Hour Muscle Aches & Pain.
- Tylenol Extra Strength [Adult Liquid (Cherry); Caplets; PM Caplet; PM Liquid].
- Tylenol Extra Strength Cold & Flu Multi-Action [Daytime; Day & Night].
- Tylenol Sinus Severe Caplets.
- Tylenol Cold [+ Flu Severe Warming Liquid; + Head Congestion Severe; + Mucous Severe Liquid; + Sore Throat COOL BURST Liquid; Max Daytime Liquid; Max Nighttime Liauid1.
- Tylenol Cough & Sore Throat [Daytime Liquid; Nighttime Liquid].

Additional medications may appear in our Basic List on the following pages.

Keep Reading!

In general, liquid medications are much more likely to present a problem on Pesach.

Note: Adwe has a full line of Kosher l'Pesach medications and toiletries available online at

www.Koshervitamins.com

• Always check for obvious suspicious ingredients like wheat germ oil. • One should be careful about products containing alcohol, since the source is unknown.

• The following list of ingredients, compiled by Rabbi Bess of the Kollel Los Angeles, are derived from chametz and can often be found in cosmetics and toiletries. To get a full copy of the Medicine Guide from Rabbi Bess, call the Kollel LA office at 323-933-7193 and leave your name and address.

Chametz Ingredients in Toiletries

- Amino Peptide Complex
- Amp-Isostearoyl Hydrolized Wheat **Protein**
- Avena Sativa (Oat) Kernel Flour
- Avena Sativa Flour
- Avena Sativa Kernel Protein
- Barley Extract
- Beta Glucan
- Cyclodextrin
- Dextrin
- Dextrin Palmitate
- Disodium Wheatgermido Peg-2 Sulfosuccinate
- Hordeum Vulgare Extract
- Hydrolyzed Malt Extract
- Hydrolyzed Oat Flour
- Hydrolyzed Vegetable Protein
- Hydrolyzed Wheat Flour
- Hydrolyzed Wheat Gluten
- Hydrolyzed Wheat Protein
- Hydrolyzed Wheat Protein Pg-Propyl Silanetriol
- Hydrolyzed Wheat Protein/ PVP Crosspolymer
- Hydrolyzed Wheat Starch
- Hydroxypropyltrimonium **Hydro Wheat Protein**
- Malt Extract
- Maltodextrin
- Oat Beta Glucan
- Oat Extract
- Oat Flour

- Phytosphingosine Extract
- Prolamine
- Secale Cereal (Rye) Seed Flour
- Sodium C8-16 Isoalkylsuccinyl Wheat Protein Sulfonate
- Sodium Laurovl Oat Amino Acids
- Stearyldimoniumhy.opyl **Hydrolyzed Wheat Protein**
- Triticum Vulgare (Wheat) Flour Lipids
- Triticum Vulgare (Wheat) Germ **Extract**
- Triticum Vulgare (Wheat) Germ Oil
- Triticum Vulgare (Wheat) Gluten
- Triticum Vulgare (Wheat) Starch
- Wheat Amino Acids
- Wheat Bran Extract
- Wheat Germ Extract
- Wheat Germ Glycerides
- Wheat Germ Oil
- Wheat Germamidopropyl **Ethyldimonium Ethosulfate**
- Wheat Germamidopropalkonium Chloride
- Wheat Germamidopropyldimonium Hydroxypropyl Hydrolyzed Wheat **Protein**
- Wheat Protein
- Wheat Sphingolipids
- Yeast Extract



2024 Basic Product List

Acceptable for use on Pesach, unless otherwise noted.

Our Basic Product List continues alphabetically on the following pages.

Additional medications that didn't appear on the previous

pages may be found on the pages to follow.

Please note that the following is just a <u>basic</u> list to help get you started.

- After Shave Aramis [Advanced Moisture After Shave Balm; Enriched Lather Shave; Lab Series Skincare for Men 3-in-1 Post Shave; Lab Series Skincare for Men Maximum Comfort Shave Gel; Men Pure-Formance Dual Action Aftershave; Men Pure-Formance Shave Cream]; Clinique For Men [Aloe Shave Gel; Cream Shave; Happy After Shave Balm]; Tommy Hilfiger Included In-After Shave Balm.
- Air Freshener All are acceptable.
- Alcohol All *Isopropyl* may be used.
- Aluminum disposable containers & tins -- See Paper Goods.
- Aluminum foil -- See Paper Goods.
- Ammonia All are acceptable for *Pesach*.
- ♠ Antibacterial Ointment & cream Neosporin original ointment; Neosporin cream.
 - → **Neosporin Eczema Essentials** contains *Chametz* ingredients.
- Antidepressant Sarafem [manufactured by Allergan].
- Apple Juice All forms of Apple Juice (frozen, bottles and boxes) need special Passover supervision. *Also see Juices*.
- Baby Formula the following baby formula may be used on Pesach (and all year long) without Passover certification, as long as they have OU Kosher certification on the label: 365 Everyday Value; Baby Basics; Being Well; Berkley & Jensen; Bright Beginnings; Careone; Comfort; Cottontails; Cozy Care; CVS; Daily Source; Earth's Best; Enfacare; Enfagrow; Enfamil [all liquids, all powders]; Enfaport; Equate; Gerber Good Start; H-E-B, Isomil [all liquids, all powders]; Home 360 Baby; Kirkland Signature; Member's

Mark; Nestle Good Start; Next Step; Similac [all liquids, all powders]; Target; Top Care; Up & Up; Walgreens.

However, they should be served and prepared in separate utensils because they contain kitniyos, which is permitted only to children.

Baby Food - requires Passover certification.

Baby Oil - Any brand is acceptable.

Baby Ointment - A&D and Desitin do not contain *chametz* ingredients.

Baby Powder - Johnson's Baby Powder. Also any pure talc, talcum powder, cornstarch, or other ingredients that do not contain pure chametz (such as Oat Flour) may be used on *Pesach*.

Baby Wipes - any brand that is alcohol free.

■ Bagged Carrots — See Vegetables.

■ Bagged Salad — See Vegetables.

Bags, Paper / plastic -- See Paper Goods.

Baking Powder - Requires Passover supervision.

■ Baking Soda - Arm & Hammer Baking Soda; also any other pure bicarbonate brands may be used on *Pesach*.

Balloons - Should not be blown up over *Pesach*, as they may contain starch.

Bamba Snacks from Osem with Passover certification may only be consumed by those who eat *Kitniyos* on Pesach. The OU Passover-Kitniyos symbol must appear on the label for those who eat *Kitniyos* on *Pesach*.









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- Band-aids Any.
- Bleach All are acceptable for Pesach.
- Braces, Bite Plates:
- Clean thoroughly when finished eating last *Chametz* before *Pesach.*
- → Wax used for braces may be used on *Pesach*.
- Crthodontic Rubber Bands:
 Elastics and rubber bands used with braces may be coated with corn starch (even though no mention may appear on packaging) and should be rinsed well under cold water before using on Pesach.
- Brita Water Filter / pitcher A separate Brita pitcher and filter may be used on *Pesach*. Any brand of water filter may be used, but it should be a new filter.
- Broom & Dustpan One should have a separate broom & dustpan for *Pesach*.
- Brown sugar May have yeast; needs supervision.
- The following brands of Brown Sugar <u>Granulated Only</u> may be used on Pesach with regular OU certification (no "P required") Bowl & Basket; Good & Gather; Symple.
 - Domino usually has year-round KFP certification on the packaging from the OK. Check each label to be certain.



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- Butter Needs Pesach supervision.
- Candles Any (including scented).
- Canned fruit Canned fruit, even in its own juice, needs certification for *Pesach*.
- Canned Vegetables Needs *Pesach* supervision.
- Charcoal All unflavored may be used on *Pesach.*
- Chinet paper products
 - -- See **Paper Goods**.
- Cleansers See "Detergents (cleansers)".
- Club soda Needs Passover supervision. Also see "soda".
- Cocoa (1) Any new container of domestically produced 100% pure cocoa may be used. (2) Cocoa produced in Europe needs special Passover certification. (3) If the label states that it was processed in a plant that produces kitniyos or chametz, then Passover certification is also required.
- Hershey's Pure Cocoa Powder
 (original regular 100% cocoa) is

acceptable for use on Pesach with regular O-U certification.

→ <u>Hershey's Special Dark</u> is not the same as original regular and SHOULD NOT BE USED on Pesach unless it has special Passover certification on the label.





Brown sugar:
May have yeast; needs supervision.
Domino usually has year-round KFP certification on the OK. Check each label to be certain.

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Everything Coconut

- Coconut Whole in shell may be used on Pesach.
- ⇒ **Shredded Coconut** requires Passover certification, unless otherwise noted.
- → Shredded Coconut [cRc] with regular cRc certification that is unsweetened &

unflavored may be used on Pesach without additional Passover certification. (However, any shredded coconut that is sweetened or flavored with cRc certification requires additional Passover certification.)

⇔ Coconut Flour — requires Passover certification.

→ <u>Miditer Organic Coconut Flour</u> and <u>Miditer Organic Coconut</u>

<u>Cake</u> with regular Star-K certification may be used on *Pesach* without additional Passover certification.

- ⇒ Coconut Sugar requires Passover certification.
- ⇒ Coconut oil Needs Passover certification.

→ <u>Virgin Coconut Oil</u> — All virgin coconut oils with regular OU certification may be used on Pesach, even without Passover certification .

Extra Virgin Coconut Oil that is sold under the Trader Joes label, bearing the BCK (or Kosher Check) Kashrus symbol, may be used on Pesach without additional Passover certification, provided it is purchased prior to *Pesach*.

Extra Virgin Coconut Oil - Kirkland Signature brand with regular Star-K certification may be used on Pesach without additional Passover certification on the packaging, HOWEVER, it must state that it is a product of Philippines.

→ <u>Miditer Organic Virgin Coconut Oil -</u> with regular Star-K certification may be used on Pesach without additional Passover certification on the packaging, **HOWEVER**, it must state that it is a product of Philippines.

⇒ Coconut Milk - Requires Passover certification.

Coffee!

⇒ Whole unflavored coffee beans that are not decaffeinated do not need certification for Passover.

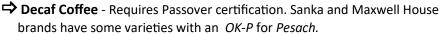
→ Whole coffee beans intended for *Pesach* should not be ground in a machine that has been used for grinding

flavored coffee, unless the machine has been thoroughly cleaned first.

⇒ All unflavored ground coffees are acceptable for Passover use when bearing an OU, including the following:

The following **Ground & Whole Bean (prepackaged)** <u>unflavored</u> <u>coffee that are not decaffeinated</u> may be used on *Pesach* without Passover certification:

7-Eleven; Chock Full O'Nuts; Dunkin' Donuts; Eight O'Clock; Essential Everyday; Folger's; Great Value; Green Mountain Coffee; Hill Country Fare; Kirkland Signature; Kirkland Signature International; Kroger; Maxwell House; Nature's Promise; Nescafe Reserva; Nescafe Taster's Choice; Nestle; Newman's Own Organic; Parade; Signature Select; Starbucks; Taster's Choice; Trader Joe's.



→ Folger's Unflavored *decaf* ground & whole bean coffee is acceptable for Passover use with an OU, even without special KFP certification.

⇒ **Instant coffee** requires KFP supervision.

→ Folgers (All unflavored Regular [including Classic Roast]; All unflavored Decaffeinated) instant coffee are acceptable for use on Pesach without special KFP certification.

→ **Nescafe Tasters Choice** Regular Instant coffee is acceptable for use on *Pesach* without special KFP certification.

→ *VIA instant coffee* (regular) is acceptable for use on *Pesach* without special KFP certification.

⇒ **K-Cup coffees and teas** - The brewer machines may not be used on *Yom Tov* or *Shabbos*, and the brewer machine itself must be one that is only used for *Pesach*.

→ K-cups require Passover certification.

The following <u>unflavored not decaffeinated</u>

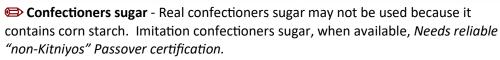
K-cups with an OU may be used on Pesach without any Passover certification from several brands including: Chock Full O'Nuts • Dunkin' Donuts • Eight O'Clock • Folgers • Great Value • Green Mountain Coffee • Kirkland Signature • Krispy Kreme Doughnuts • Kroger • Nescafe Taster's Choice • Newman's Own Organic • Starbucks • Tim Hortons.

Coffee filters – Any brand.

© Coffee substitutes — such as <u>Postum</u> & <u>Teeccino</u>, often contain *chametz* and should not be used on *Pesach*.



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Contact Lenses - All contact lens solutions, cleansers, enzymers, etc. are acceptable for *Pesach*.

Contact Paper -- See Paper Goods.

Copper & Silver Cleaner - Hagerty and Goddard's brands may be used on *Pesach* with regular OU Kosher certification.

Crock Pot Liners -- See Paper Goods.

Cupcake holders-- See Paper Goods.

Cups: Plastic, Styrofoam , Paper-- See Paper Goods.

Cutlery, Plastic -- See Paper Goods.

Dates - Needs Passover supervision. (Also see Dried Fruit.)

→ Dried fruit with a *Triangle-KP* is acceptable for use on Pesach.

Dental Floss - Any unflavored brand, including waxed.

Denture care -

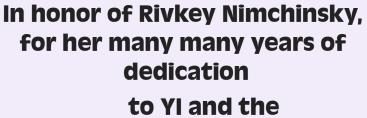
Clean dentures thoroughly when finished eating *Chametz* before Pesach.

Denture Adhesive & Cleansers - Denture-Fit Adhesive;

Fixodent [Complete, Control, Cream; Denture Cleanser w/Proguard; Powder Adhesive; Complete Original; Ultra Max Hold]; Polident [Denture Cleaner Tablets; Overnight Denture Cleaner; Partials; Smokers Denture Cleaner]; Super Poli-Grip [Adhesive Cream, Ultra Fresh; Extra Care w/Poliseal Adhesive Cream; Strips].

Deodorants - All powder and solid stick powders are acceptable.

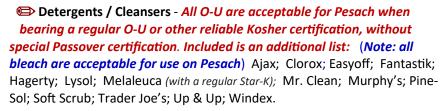
The following sprays and roll-ons may also be used: Aramis 24 Hour High Performance Antiperspirant [Spray; Stick]. Arm & Hammer Essentials []. Arrid [Aerosol, Solid; Antiperspirant Spray; Spray Deodorant]; Irish Spring Deodorant & Antiperspirant [all]; Lady Speed Stick Deodorant [all]; Mennen Speed Stick Antiperspirant [all varieties]; Deodorant [all varieties]; Right Guard Sport Antiperspirant/Deodorant [aerosol; stick]. Secret Deodorant [Powder Fresh; Spring Breeze]. **Sure** Deodorant. Antiperspirant [all]. **Tommy Hilfiger** Antiperspirant/Deodorant Stick.



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Detergents (laundry) - All O-U are acceptable. Additionally, any powder with reliable Kosher certification may be used on Pesach. *Included* is an additional list that may be used on Pesach: Ajax; Arm & Hammer; Cheer; Dreft; Era; Gain; Tide. (Also see Fabric Softener.)

Detergents (dishes) All O-U are acceptable. Included is an additional list: Ajax; Cascade; Dawn; Great Value; Ivory; Joy; Palmolive; Seventh Generation; Sunlight; Trader Joe's.

Dramamine- [Original Formula; Less Drowsy Tablets; Nausea; Nausea Long Lasting] all may be used on Pesach.

Dramamine For Kids (chewable, only from Prestige Brands) may be used on Pesach.





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Dried Fruit - needs Passover supervision.

⇒ Dried fruit with a Triangle-KP is acceptable. (Also see Raisins.)

→ Kirkland [Costco] Dried Plums / Pitted Prunes usually has a Triangle-KP.



⇒ Dried Fruit & Nuts locally purchased:

Houston Pecan has a very large variety of HKA Passover certified dried fruits and nuts. HKA Passover certification must be on each package. Check out their Passover selections here: https://houstonpecan.com/pages/passover.

(Also see Nuts.)

Eggs - Should be purchased before Pesach when possible.

Ensure - All Shakes, all liquids, all powders, all flavors [with the exception of "bars" may be used on Pesach.

→ Also see Glucerna.

Fabric Softeners - Any.

Fabric Protectors - Any.

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Fresh Fish:

If purchasing **fresh fish** for *Pesach* from the store, you must bring your own Kosher for Passover fish knife and cutting board, unless the fish area in the store has been kashered specifically for Pesach.

Frozen Fish:

- During the year raw frozen unseasoned fish without Kosher certification may be used only if you can see the skin and scales on each piece.
- Passover certification is required on frozen fish for *Pesach*, unless otherwise noted.

Frozen Salmon vs. all others:

Frozen Salmon should not be used on *Pesach* without proper Passover Certification because it may have been soaked in corn syrup or corn starch before being frozen. This information will not appear on the package!

Exceptions:

The following Fish may also be used on Pesach with a regular OU on the label, and does not require additional Passover certification.

- **⇒** Costco: Tilapia
- **⇒** Kirkland Signature: Boneless Farmed Atlantic Salmon;
- **⇒** Kirkland Signature: Salmon Portions, Skinless;
- ⇒ Kirkland Signature: Skin-On Boneless Wild Sockeye;
- ⇒ Kirkland Signature: Tilapia Loins
- ⇒ Members Mark: All Natural Tilapia.

Frozen Fish from the Kof-K

Unfortunately, due to a change in production methods in some companies in Chile involving citric acid (which is Kitniyos), the Kof-K can no longer make a blanket statement regarding fish for use on Pesach that is under their supervision. Therefore, frozen fish under Kof-K supervision requires Passover certification on the packaging.

There are a few brands of Kof-K supervised frozen Whiting and Salmon that do not require special Passover certification.

The following brands of frozen raw unseasoned Salmon with regular Kof-K certification, that comes from Chile (not the USA or China) with the plant codes 10810,8163,10064, 10664, 10067, 10-11-6, 12079 may be used on Pesach without special Passover supervision:

Wegmans; • Mentas Members Mark; • Walmart; • Wellesley Farms • Kirkland

The following brands of frozen raw unseasoned Whiting with regular Kof-K certification, that comes from Chile (not the USA or China) with the plant code 8323, may be used on Pesach without special Passover supervision. The Great Fish Company • Bowl & Basket • Nafco

Processed Fish:

- ➡ Gefilte fish (frozen, jarred, etc.) requires Passover supervision.
- ⇒ Lox requires Passover supervision.
- ➡ All prepared Fish & Fish Salads require Passover supervision.

Kosher Fish locally purchased in Houston:

- All HKA certified Kosher fish must ALSO include Kosher for Passover indicators on the packaging in order to use on Pesach.



















- Food Coloring Needs Passover certification.
- Foot Care <u>Aveda</u> Foot Relief; <u>Eucerin</u> Advanced Repair Foot Cream; <u>Gold Bond [Foot Cream</u>; Healing Foot Cream; Healing & Hydrating Cream; Medicated Foot Powder].
- Frozen fruit whole, sliced or formed frozen fruit may be used (without added syrup, ascorbic acid, citric acid, or vitamin C) without special KFP supervision. Frozen fruits that are prone to infestation (such as strawberries) requires a reliable Kashrus symbol year-round. (Also See Fruit.)
- Frozen fruit juices all unsweetened frozen concentrate 100% orange and 100% white grapefruit juices with **no** sweeteners, additives, preservatives, or enrichments (such as calcium or Ascorbic acid) may be used on Pesach, even without regular Kosher certification. They <u>do not</u> need to be "Grade A". All other Frozen juice requires Passover certification. (Also see Juices.)
- Fruit All fresh fruit are acceptable.

(Also see Canned fruit, Frozen fruit & dried fruit.)

















- Furniture Polish Any.
- Garbage bags -- See Paper Goods.
- Garlic -
- → **Fresh garlic** should be purchased prior to *Pesach*.
- → **Peeled garlic** needs Passover supervision.
- The following Peeled Garlic may be used on Pesach with regular Star-K certification, no "P" required:
 - ➤ 365 Organic Peeled Garlic;
 - ► First Street Peeled Garlic;
 - ► Little Salad Bar Peeled Garlic
 - ► Spice World: Bulk Garlic, Whole | Fresh Chopped Garlic | Peeled Garlic;
 - ► West Creek: Bulk Garlic, Whole | Fresh Chopped Garlic | Peeled Garlic.
- Gelatin Most "Kosher gelatin" is made from non-kosher animals and its' kashrus is very questionable. Many products containing this questionable "kosher gelatin" have unacceptable supervision and therefore their purchase is strongly discouraged all year. Unless there is proper Kosher certification on the packaging, products containing Gelatin should be avoided and not considered to be Kosher.
- → Jell-o, "kosher marshmallows", and many brands of yogurt which carry a "K", contain gelatin and should not be used.
- → Joyva products are normally under the supervision of the KOF-K during the year. However, the KOF-K <u>DOES NOT</u> supervise any Joyva products for Passover because they may contain *Kitniyos*.
- → Additionally, Joyva products are NOT recommended for Passover use even when marked K for P.
- → Marshmallows with proper *Kosher* certification still need to have Passover certification in order to be used on *Pesach*.
- Glass Cleaner See "Detergents / Cleansers".
- ➡ Glucerna All Shakes, all powders, all flavors [with the exception of "bars"] may be used on Pesach. (Also see Ensure.)

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- → All Elmer's Glue are chametz free.
- **□** Elmer's Finger Paints contain *chametz*.

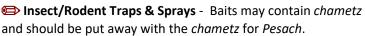
Hand Cream & Lotions - Aveda Hand Relief; Eucerin
[Advanced Repair Cream; Advanced Repair PM Scented
Light Lotion; Daily Hydration; Intensive Repair Very Dry Skin Crème, Lotion;
Original Healing Smoothing Repair Crème, Lotion; Professional Repair Extremely
Dry Skin Lotion]; Gold Bond Healing & Hydrating Cream; Pretty Feet & Hands
Rough Skin Remover.

□ Eucerin Advanced Repair lotion, and some of the Eucerin Eczema Relief treatments contain *chametz* ingredients.

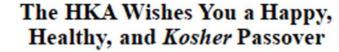
Hand Sanitizers - Any without alcohol or ethanol. If the only alcohol it contains is isopropyl, then it may be used on *Pesach*.

→ The following hand sanitizers are *chametz free* and may be used on *Pesach*: Purell Advanced Hand Sanitizer [foam, gel, wipes, instant hand sanitizing foam].

- Hand Soaps See Soap (Body & Hand).
- Honey Needs Passover supervision.
- Household Cleansers See "Detergents (cleansers)".
- Hydrogen Peroxide Any brand.
- lce All plain water bagged ice may be used on *Pesach*.



- → All insecticide sprays may be used.
- Lotion; Itch-X Spray/Gel; Monistat [Care Itch Relief Spray; Complete Care Gel, Chafing Relief]; Tinactin [Cream].
- Doyva products See Gelatin.
- ➡ Juices All juices in bottles, boxes, cans or containers need Pesach supervision. (Also see Apple Juice, Orange Juice, Frozen Juices, Lemon & Lime Juice.)
- Lactaid See Milk.
- **EXECUTE** ► **Exalpha Concentrate** Exalpha Concentrate** (Lime Juice and Lime Juice Concentrate) may be used on Pesach with Regular OU Kosher certification. Other brands should have Passover certification. (Also see Juices.)



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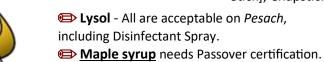
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Lip Therapy - Chapstick brand Classic [Original, Strawberry Stick]; Chapstick.





Turn the page to find out about milk purchasing for Pesach.





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Meat and Poultry:

⇔ Ground meat & ground poultry requires Passover certification.

⇒ From the OU: unless otherwise noted, all unseasoned OU raw meat and poultry in their original OU packaging is *Kosher for Passover* all year round.

However, ground beef and ground poultry that comes with an OU must have Passover certification.

The OU also stated to us that nowadays liver is *Kashered* before being sold. The *Kashering* process for liver involves broiling. As such, liver requires Passover certification because it is a partially prepared food.

Turkey Burgers, corned beef, precooked meats, meats with sauce, frankfurters and deli all require Passover certification.

The following products in their original manufacturer packaging, are Kosher for Passover all year, without any special notation.

- A. A. Rubashkin & Sons Beef & Poultry, raw unprocessed [including ground].
- ➡ <u>Aaron's Best</u> Beef & Poultry, raw unprocessed [EXCLUDING ground].
- Allie Beef, Lamb, Poultry & Veal, raw unprocessed [EXCLUDING ground].
- **□ David Elliot** Poultry raw unprocessed.
- ⇒ <u>Empire</u> Poultry raw unprocessed [including ground but EXCLUDING 10 lb tube].
- ⇒ Shor Habor Beef & Poultry, raw unprocessed [EXCLUDING ground].
- ⇒ Solomon's Glatt Kosher Beef & Lamb raw unprocessed [EXCLUDING ground] .
- → <u>Teva</u> Beef raw unprocessed [including ground].

Meat & Poultry - locally produced in Houston:

The only meat and poultry certified as *Kosher l'Pesach* by the HKA is produced in the weeks leading up to Pesach and labeled with a KFP sticker.

→ Kosher for Passover meat, chicken, fish [with HKA KFP labels] are available at HEB [Meyerland Store] and Randalls [Meyer Park Store].



Milk:



Kosher for Passover milk will not be produced in Texas this year.

☐ The best option is to buy ALL the milk needed for the ten days of Passover <u>before</u> Monday, April 22nd, by 12:03 PM.

This option only applies to unflavored white milk (and not for chocolate milk or any flavored milks). The reason the purchase of milk is allowed before Passover is that any trace of *chametz* from the vitamins or equipment will become nullified ONLY prior to Passover. Therefore, buying white milk after that time is not considered approved for kosher for Passover use!

Note: You might want to freeze half of your milk for the later days of Pesach. A frozen gallon of milk takes about 20 hours to defrost at room temperature.

- ⇒ Vitamins added to milk may contain *chametz*.
- Powdered milk with an OU-D may be purchased prior to Passover and used on *Pesach*.
- ⇒ Half & Half needs *Pesach* certification.
- → In case of need, Lactaid Milk can be used but it must be purchased before *Pesach*.
- ⇒ Lactaid Caplets may contain *chometz* and may NOT be used on *Pesach*.
- ⇒ Lactaid Drops For those who add Lactaid to their milk, the Lactaid drops should be added to their container(s) of milk before their chametz is sold on Wednesday morning, April 5th. The rest of the unused Lactaid drops should be sold with their chametz.
- Mineral Oil All may be used.
- Mineral Water Any unflavored, non-carbonated, without added vitamins or other sensitive additives may be used on *Pesach*.



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Mouthwash - Arm & Hammer Truly Radiant [Bright & Strong Mouth Rinse; Clean & Fresh Mouth Rinse]; Crest [Invigorating Rinse; Whitening Fresh Mint Rinse]; Listerine [Cool Mint Antiseptic; Cool Mint Zero Alcohol; Fluoride Defense Anti Cavity; Freshburst; Sensitivity Alcohol Free; Total Care Zero; Ultraclean Antiseptic Mouthwash]; Orajel [My Little Pony Anticavity Fluoride Mouth Rinse; SuperMario Anticavity Fluoride Mouth Rinse]; Scope [all].

Nori (seaweed sheets used for sushi) needs Kosher supervision all year long, and additional Passover certification for *Pesach*.

Everything Nuts:

Nuts - Raw and no longer in their shell:

→ Walnuts, Almonds, Pine, etc: Whole or chopped raw without any added preservatives or other additives [such as BHT or BHA] are approved for Passover.



Please note that if the label states that the nuts were processed in a plant that processes kitniyos or chametz, then it requires a reliable KFP certification (unless on an approved list).

Pecans: Whole & half raw pecans that are no longer in their shell are similar to any raw nuts mentioned above as acceptable for use on Pesach if they are raw without any added preservatives or other additives [such as BHT or BHA.

However, any pecan pieces, midgets, ground, meal, etc, must have KFP certification.

The following OU certified raw whole Pecans and raw Pecans halves that do not contain any added ingredients or preservatives [such as BHA or BHT] may be used on Pesach if it has regular OU certification, without additional **Passover certification**— Great Value; Kirkland; Kirkland Signature; Kroger; Trader Joe's.

- ⇒ Nut Products with BHT or BHA should not be used on *Pesach*.
- ⇒ Nuts that are dry roasted, toasted, blanched, etc. require KFP certification.

Still in shell:



- All whole nuts (still in shell) that are not legumes (such as peanuts, which are Kitniyos), may be used on Pesach without any Kosher certification.
- The following OU certified nuts that come in raw whole, raw pieces, and raw nut meal that do not contain any added

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ingredients or preservatives [such as BHA or BHT] may be used on Pesach if it has regular OU certification, without additional Passover certification— CVS ABOUND [Walnuts]; DIAMOND [Almonds]; GREAT VALUE [Almonds]; KIRKLAND SIGNATURE [Almonds, Walnuts]; TRADER JOE'S [Almonds, Cashews]; TRADER JOE'S ORGANIC [Almonds].

- ⇒ Almond Milk Requires Passover certification.
- **⇒** Almond Flour requires Passover certification.
- → Kirkland Almond Flour with either a Kof-K or KorcP on the label are both acceptable for use on Pesach, as per the AKC and cRc.
- → Barney Bakery Almond Flour with regular OU certification, may be used on Pesach without additional Passover certification.
- → Houston Pecan Company has a large selection of Kosher for Passover nuts, dried fruit, and chocolates. HKA

Passover stickers must be on each bag. All nuts are raw, except pistachios. https://houstonpecan.com/pages/passover. Their website may not reflect Kosher for Passover products this year. Call 713-772-6216 to place a Passover order.



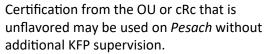


Also SEE COCONUT SECTION ON PAGE 19.



Oil Notes:

- Regular Oil Needs Pesach supervision.
- Avocado oil Needs Passover certification.
- Chosen Foods Avocado oil and Avocado Cooking Sprays (with regular OU certification) may be used on *Pesach*, even without Passover certification.
- Coconut oil Needs Passover certification.
- → <u>Virgin Coconut Oil</u> All virgin coconut oils with regular OU certification may be used on Pesach, even without Passover certification.
- <u>▶ Kirkland Signature Extra Virgin Coconut</u>
 <u>Oil</u> may be used on *Pesach* with regular Star **K** certification on the label. Must state that it is a product of the Philippines.
- that is sold under the Trader
 Joes label, bearing the BCK (or
 Kosher Check) Kashrus symbol,
 may be used on *Pesach* without
 additional Passover
 certification, provided it is
 purchased prior to *Pesach*.
- → Pompeian Grapeseed Oil and Pompeian Grapeseed Oil Cooking Spray with regular Star-K certification are permitted for use on *Pesach* without additional KFP certification.
- Mineral Oil All may be used.
- Olive Oil Regular olive oil requires KFP certification for use on *Pesach*.
- **Extra Virgin Olive Oil** with Kosher



☐ Light Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Pure Olive Oil, and Olive Oil Sprays

need to have Passover certification.

- → Pompeian Extra Virgin Olive Oil [Robust, Smooth] and Organic Pompeian Extra Virgin Olive Oil with regular Star-K certification is permitted for use on *Pesach* without additional KFP certification.
- → Pompeian Olive Oil Cooking spray: [Extra Virgin Olive Oil; and Organic Extra Virgin Olive Oil] Pompeian Cooking Spray may be used with regular star-K certification on *Pesach* without additional KFP certification.
 - Orange Juice Fresh Orange Juice needs to have Passover supervision. Some of the national brands that are available in Houston (for example, Tropicana and Minute Maid) will have Passover certification printed on some of their varieties shortly before Pesach. Remember to check each container before purchasing. (Also see Frozen Fruit Juice.)
 - Orthodontic Rubber Bands: See Braces & Bite

Plates.

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Wine - For healthy individuals and for diabetics / those with food allergies.

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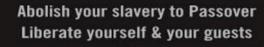
Paper Goods:

- Aluminum disposable containers & tins Any brand, wash before using the first time.
- Aluminum foil All may be used on *Pesach*.
- Bags:
 - Paper bags Any, for cold use only.
 - Plastic bags All may be used.
- Chinet paper products Often have an OK-P (for Passover) on the packaging.
- Coffee filters Any brand.
- Contact Paper All may be used.
- Crock Pot Liners All are acceptable. (Note: A separate crock pot unit is necessary for Pesach.)
- Cupcake holders:
 - Foil cupcake holders All are acceptable.
 - ⇒ Paper cupcake holders- Require Kosher Passover certification because they may contain starch.

Paperchef with regular Star-K certification (no P required) may be used on Pesach.



- ⇒ Plastic & Styrofoam cups Any plastic or Stvrofoam.
- ⇒ Waxed Paper or Plastic Coated Paper -For cold use only.
- Cutlery, Plastic All may be used.
- Garbage bags Any plastic can be used for food storage.
- Paper Napkins All may be used.
- Paper towel rolls Any brand may be used as follows: The first three



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sheets and the last sheet attached to the cardboard should not come into direct contact with food since a corn starch based glue may be used. The rest of the roll may be used with hot or cold.

Parchment Paper - Parchment paper needs year-round Kosher certification, and additional Passover certification for Pesach use, unless otherwise noted. Check each label. Many already have the "P" next to the hechsher.

→ The following parchment paper are Kosher for Pesach without KFP symbol, when bearing regular Star-K Kosher certification — Amber Paper. Carnation, Chef Elite, H-E-B, Kirkland Signature, Papechef.

Geula & Gefen brands of parchment paper require OU-P for Passover.

- Plastic wraps Anv.
- Plates:
 - Paper plates May have starch, must have KFP

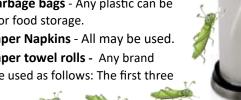


- **⇒** Plastic coated paper plates
 - For cold use only.
- ➡ Plastic & Styrofoam plates All.
- **Straws** Any plastic.
- Tablecloths:
- Plastic tablecloths All clear plastic (non-powdered only) may be used. (For those that are pre-cut, ensure that the plastics are not attached to avoid Shabbos and Yom Tov problems.)
- Paper tablecloths May be used as long as hot food is not placed directly on it.
- Also see "Towels & tablecloths" in





"Kashering" section.





₩ Wax Paper - Should have *Kosher* certification all year, with additional Passover certification for *Pesach*. Check each label. Many already have the "P" next to the *hechsher*.

> The following are *Kosher* for *Pesach* without KFP symbol, when bearing regular Kosher certification — Cut Rite; Essential Everyday; Reynolds.

Paste - May be chametz. (Also see Glue.)

Pet food - Most pet foods contain chametz and cannot be owned or used during *Pesach*. Some canned foods are usable. Check the ingredients to make sure there are no grain by-products. Examples of Pet foods that would be considered to be chametz are those containing wheat (cracked, flour, germ, gluten, ground, grouts, middling, starch), barley (cracked, flour), oats (flour, grouts, hulled); pasta; rye; xanthan gum and brewer's dried yeast. Animal food with soy or corn and no *chametz* ingredients is acceptable for use on *Pesach*.

Note: animal foods which contain both meat and milk should not be used all **year.** To learn about *Kosher* pet food restrictions please see the article from the Star-K: http://www.star-k.org/articles/seasonal/375/feedingbarking-up-the-right-tree/

The following link includes Pesach pet food information from the

https://consumer.crckosher.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Pesach-Foods-for -Your-Pets-2024.pdf

The following link includes pet foods approved for 2024 from the Star-K:

https://www.star-k.org/articles/wp-content/uploads/pet-food-list.pdf

- Petroleum Jelly Vaseline Petroleum Jelly (original).
- Plastic wraps -- See Paper Goods.
- Plates, all kinds -- See Paper Goods.
- Play-Doh Play-Doh is chametz. "Knock offs" of Play-Doh are probably also *chametz*.
- **Postum** See Coffee substitutes.
- Quinoa Requires Passover certification, unless otherwise noted.
- Quinoa is neither *chametz* nor *kitniyos*. However, since it grows in close proximity to other grains that are not permissible for use on Pesach, it requires Passover certification for use on Pesach. (Also see page 11, "Quinoa Notes" in this quide.)

Raisins require Passover certification.

The following raisins may be used on Pesach with regular Kosher certification (KFP not required) provided that it is not oil treated (or that oil does not appear in the ingredient panel): Dole;

Essential Everyday; Gefen; Glicks; Great Value; Green Giant Fresh; H-E-B; Kroger; Sun Valley; Trader Joe's.

Any raisins with a Triangle-KP are also acceptable for *Pesach* use. Also see dried fruit.

Roach control - See Insect / Rodent traps.

Rubber Gloves —

Any without inner powder coating may be used.

☐ If packaging does not state whether there is a coating, then turn gloves inside out. If powder is not evident, then rub on dark fabric to confirm. If there is evidence of powder, then do not use near food.

Disposable hospital gloves may contain oatmeal. If the packaging states that it contains oatmeal, then it should be sold and put away with the chametz.

Salad in bag - See Vegetables.

Salt - Any brand without iodine, dextrose or

polysorbates. Magnesium carbonate or sodium silicate are fin for use on Pesach.

→ The following brands of salt may be used on Pesach with regular Kosher certification (KFP not required) if it is Non-lodized: • Artisan Salt Co. • Badia: • Kirkland Signature; • Morton; • Remarkable.

Scouring pads & Sponges:

Any plain steel wool (without added soap) may be used.

→ Any Scouring Pads & Sponges without soap may be used.



Some Raisins are treated with

oils that are not permissible

on Pesach. Only untreated

raisins may be used

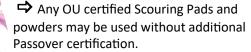
without KFP certification.

You must check the raisins on

the adjacent list to make sure

it is not treated with oils.





Sponges should not be used on Shabbos or Yom Tov, but may be used on Chol Hamoed.

Seltzer - Unflavored seltzer does not require any Kosher certification during the entire year. On *Pesach*, any unflavored seltzer that does not list citrates as an ingredient may be used. All flavored seltzer requires KFP certification.

Shampoo & Conditioner—The following list of Shampoos & Conditioners do not contain *Chametz* ingredients:

<u>Aveda</u> *Many Aveda products, including* [Rosemary Mint Aroma Blend; Scalp Health (shampoo, conditioner)]; <u>Head & Shoulders</u> [Active Sport; Classic Clean 2-in-1 (shampoo; conditioner); Deep Clean (Conditioner, Shampoo); Dry Scalp Care 2 in 1 (shampoo; conditioner)]; **Johnson's**

[Baby Shampoo - Claming Shampoo; Calming Lavender; No More Tangles Conditioner; No More Tangles Detangling Shampool;

Conditioner; No More Tangles Detangling Shampoo];

Pantene Pro-V Classic Clean (shampoo, conditioner); Daily
Moisture Renewal (shampoo, conditioner); Dry Shampoo Foam;
Miracle Moisture Boost (Conditioner, Shampoo); Repaor &
Protect (Conditioner, Shampoo).]; Prell — Classic Clean; Selsun
Blue Full & Thick Shampoo; 2-in-1 Shampoo; Moisturizing
Shampoo; Medicated Shampoo; Suave Almond & Shea Deep
Moisture Hydrating Shampoo; Tropical Coconut Shampoo; Suave
Kids — 3 in 1 Watermelon Wonder [shampoo, conditioner, body
wash]; Almond & Shea Butter Moisturizing Shampoo); Deep
Moisture Hydrating Shampoo; Essentials Tropical Coconut (Conditioner,

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Kids Watermelon Wonder.

Tresemme Rich Rich Moisture Hyaluronic Plex shampoo.

Shoe Polish - Any brand.

Silver Polish - Any brand. (Also See "Copper & Silver Cleaner".)

Soap (body & hand) —The following list of body & hand soaps do not contain *Chametz* ingredients: <u>Aveda</u> Rosemary Mint [Bath Bar; Hand & Body Wash Invigorating Aroma]; <u>Dial</u> Bar Soap (all); <u>Dove</u> [Bar Soap (all); Deep Moisture Body Wash]; <u>Irish Spring</u> [Bar Soap (all); Body Wash (all)]; <u>Palmolive</u> bar soap (all); <u>Softsoap</u> (bar soap; liquid soap).



Any plain Steel Wool,
Scouring Pads and Sponges
without soap may be used
on Pesach.



shampoo);

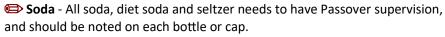




White Granulated Sugar & Brown Sugar with OU certification:

Due to the increasingly common use of Passover questionable processing aids used in the manufacture of sugar, OU Kosher has decided to limit the brands recommended for Pesach use, to those with the OUP symbol.

Rest assured, if any OU certified granulated sugar was used in a Pesach product, (post-facto) those foods may still be considered kosher for Passover.



Sodastream[™] - <u>Carbon dioxide cylinders</u> and <u>Carbon Dioxide Gas Filling</u> may be used on *Pesach* without additional Passover certification. See "Appliances" in section 1 of this guide for more infor on Sodastream[™].

Spices - All ground spices need Passover supervision. Any whole (unground) spices do not need KFP supervision. Ashkenazim should be mindful of whole spices that are *Kitniyos*, such as mustard. Please see our "Kitniyos" page in section 1 of this guide for a more complete list.

Sponges - Any without added soap. Also see "Scouring pads & Sponges".

Straws -- See *Paper Goods*.

Sugar - Sugar - White Granulated:

The following <u>White Granulated Sugar</u> may be used on *Pesach* with regular OU certification: 365 Whole Foods Market; H-E-B Organics; Kirkland Signature; Trader Joe's; Whole Foods—Bulk Goods.

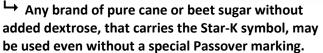
Any brand of regular granulated sugar without additives that carries the CRC symbol, may be used on Pesach without a special Passover marking.

Click HERE for Passover information from the Jewish Diabetes Association

http://www.jewishdiabetes.org/article.asp?sivuq_r=18&sivuq_m=142

Click HERE for A Diabetic's Guide To Passover

http://www.kashrut.com/Passover/pdf/FriendsWithDiabetes.pdf



Domino sugar is usually *Kosher for Passover*, and has a Passover symbol on the packaging.

Brown Sugar and Confectioners Sugar both require Passover certification. Please see those sections in this guide for more information.



Sweeteners - Artificial and other sweeteners need *Pesach* supervision.

Suntan Lotion & Sunscreen - Bobbi Brown Beach Body (lotion, oil, scrub);

Clinique Self Sun Body (Airbrish spray; Self Tanning lotion; Tinted lotion [Light/ Medium, Medium/Deep]); Clinique Self Sun Face Tinted Lotion; Clinique SPF (35 Targeted Protection Stick; 45 PA+++ Targeted Protection Stick); Eucerin (age Defense SPF 50; Baby Sensitive Mineral SPF 50; Oil-Control SPF 50; Sensitive Mineral Lotion SPF 50); Mary Kay (After-Sun Replenishing Gel; CC Cream Broad Spectrum SPF 15).

Tablecloths, paper & plastic -- See Paper Goods.

⇒ Also See "Towels & tablecloths" in "Kashering" section.

Tea - Flavored Tea Bags, Instant Teas and Herbal Teas need special Passover supervision.

All unflavored regular tea bags (not decaf) are acceptable for *Pesach* without special Passover supervision.

All unflavored regular Pure black, green & white tea bags (not decaf) are

Sugar on lesach?

⇒ <u>Regular granulated sugar</u> without dextrose added may be used, even without a Passover symbol.



⇒ **Brown sugar** may have yeast so it needs supervision.

 ➡ Real Confectionery Sugar
 may not be used because it contains corn starch. It would need to have reliable "non-Kitniyos" Passover certification, if available.

⇒ **Sweeteners** - Artificial and other sweeteners need *Pesach* supervision.

acceptable for *Pesach* without special Passover supervision.

⇒ Lipton Decaffeinated teabags are no longer Kosher for Passover.

Lipton Black Teabags and English Black Teabags are usable for Passover without a "P".

☐ Instant tea requires Passover certification, unless otherwise noted.

Swee-Touch-Nee makes a 97% caffeine free tea and an herbal tea for Pesach, Look for Passover certification.

Tonic water - requires Kosher certification throughout the year, and additional Passover certification for use on *Pesach*.

□ Toothache / mouth-ache – <u>Baby Orajel</u> [Naturals Teething Gel, Nightime;

Naturals Teething Tablets; Teething Gel(all), tablets]; •

Orajel Denture Pain relief Gel; • Orajel Cold Sore Cream; • Orajel Mouth Sore [Gel; Rinse (all); swab]; • Orajel Maximum Strength [Gel; Toothache Liquid]; • Orajel Severe Pain [Formula Cream; PM]; • Orajel Severe Toothache Cooling [Gel; liquid]; • Orajel Single Dose Cold Sore Treatment; • Orajel Teething Gel • Orajel Toothache Pain Relief, Max strength, Severe.

■ Toothpaste- • Aim (all); • Aquafresh (all); • Arm &

Hammer Gel, Paste Toothpaste (All); • Baby Orajel Tooth & Gum Cleanser (all); • Close Up (all); • Colgate (all) uses Vege Glycerin; •

Mentadent (all); • Crest (Baking Soda Peroxide; Cavity Protection Scope); •

Gel & Paste; for Kids; Multicare; plus

Nadent (all); • Orajel (Anticavity

Machon Tzomet: "Do Not Cover Your Hot Plate with Aluminum Foil" Click here for Sometimes Kosher but not for Passover more information.

food items erroneously find their way onto the shelves in the "Kosher for Passover section" of the supermarket.

Remember to check each label carefully for the appropriate Passover certification !!



Bottled Water - Unflavored spring or distilled water, without added citrates, may be used on Pesach including those with fluoride or

₩ater that lists any type of citrate (such as calcium citrate, sodium citrate, potassium citrate, etc.), or citric acid, are not recommended for Pesach use.

Club soda - Has additives so it must have Passover certification for use on Pesach, but does not need any Kosher certification during the

Mineral Water - Any unflavored, non-carbonated, without added

SELTZER - Unflavored seltzer does not require any Kosher certification during the entire year. On Pesach, any unflavored seltzer that does not list citrates as an ingredient may be used. All flavored seltzer requires KFP certification.

⇒ <u>Soda</u> - All soda & diet soda needs Passover supervision.

→ Tonic WATER - Requires Kosher certification throughout the year, and additional Passover certification for use on Pesach.

⇒ Enhanced water - Although the OU approves bottled and distilled water without Passover certification, when it comes to enhanced water, an OU-P is required. This is due to the fact that the enhanced water may contain sensitive ingredients such as citric acid, which may be derived from corn starch or amylase.

Fluoride; Elmo Tooth & Gum Cleanser [all]; Fluoride-

Free Training; My Way Boys Fluoride; My Way Girls Fluoride; Toddler Training [All]; Toothpaste [All]); • Pepsodent

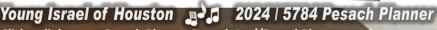
(all); • Sensodyne [Pronamel; Sensitivity Lean & Fresh; Sensitivity & Gum

Whitening]); Ultrabrite (all).









Must be a new tube of toothpaste and a new toothbrush.



Toothpicks - Any Wood or Plastic that are unflavored and uncolored.

Tuna - needs *Pesach* supervision.

> Vaseline Petroleum Jelly - Original.



VEGETABLES

All raw vegetables are acceptable.

⇒ Pre-peeled vegetables should not be used on Pesach without Passover supervision.

⇒ Bagged salads need Passover supervision. Look for Passover certification or a "P" on each bag. This usually appears next to the regular Kosher symbol.

→ Look for the Star-K-P & OK-P symbols on bags of Dole & Fresh Express Salads.

Carrots do not need Passover supervision.

⇒ Baby carrots (raw in plastic bags without additives) also do not need special Passover supervision, but should be rinsed first before using on Pesach.

Precut bagged carrots need to have Passover certification.

As a general rule, all peeled or cut fresh vegetables need to have Kosher for Passover certification.

□ Canned vegetables need *Pesach* supervision.

⇒ When using romaine lettuce it must be checked thoroughly for insects.

There are fewer salads available these days with a proper hechsher. If you are planning to use romaine lettuce, it must either have a hechsher or must be cleaned meticulously for insects.

The cRc produced a very infactive video entitled Check

Peeled Garlic — Exceptions

The following Fresh Peeled Garlic with Star-K certification on the packaging may be used on Pesach 2024, even without Passover listed on

365 — Organic Peeled Garlic First Street — Peeled Garlic Little Salad Bar — Peeled Garlic Spice World — Whole Bulk Garlic, Fresh Chopped Garlic,

— Peeled Garlic

West Creek — Whole Bulk Garlic,

Fresh Chopped Garlic,

— Peeled Garlic

The following Fresh Peeled Vegetables with Star-K certification on the packaging may be used for Pesach 2024, even without Passover listed on the packaging.

Lancaster Foords — Carrots (fresh peeled), Acorn squash, Butternut squash, Eggplant; Potatoes, Yams, Yellow Squash, Zucchini. Nature's Promise — Organic Butternut Squash,

Organic Squash Medley

Snow Fresh — Butternut Squash

Romaine Lettuce and Other Leafy

Vegetables". It can be found in the cRc video library at https://crckosher.org/videos/how-to-check-romaine-lettuce-and-other-leafy-vegetables/ or on youtube at: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=P wobTUx4k0&t=343s.

Frozen vegetables need *Pesach* supervision.

→ Due to the proliferation of frozen pasta mixtures, frozen vegetables, which are produced on the same machinery, may not be used for Pesach. All frozen vegetables without Passover certification should be sold with your *chametz*.

Ashkenazic Jews do not eat vegetables that are Kitniyos. See Kitniyos section on page 11 for a detailed list.

> Vegetable Wash - Needs Passover certification.

→ The cRc recommends using "Seventh Generation Non-





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Fragrance Natural Dish Liquid Soap for those who are concerned about a 'soapy aftertaste'."

▶ Vinegar - Vinegar may be *chametz. Kosher* for *Pesach* vinegar is available. Mayonnaise, ketchup, pickles and horseradish, salad dressings and all products which contain vinegar also need special supervision.

> Vitamins - Often are chametz Pesach supervision is needed.



Please note that not all Freeda brand vitamins are Kosher For *Pesach*.

Water - <u>Unflavored</u> spring or distilled bottled water, without added citrate or zinc lactate, may be used on *Pesach including* those with fluoride or minerals.

→ Water that lists any type of citrate (such as

calcium citrate, sodium citrate, potassium citrate, etc.), or citric acid, are not recommended for Pesach use.

→ One should try to buy all of their bottled water before Pesach.

→ As per our continued discussion with the OU, Kirkland Purified Water (with minerals added for taste) is acceptable for use on Pesach this year (2024), provided that it is purchased before Pesach.

→ The following brands of bottled water may be used on Pesach with an

OU without additional Passover certification when it is unflavored and contains no added minerals: 365 By Whole Foods Market; 365 Everyday Value; Aquafina; Aquaviva; Arizona; Foodtown; Gerber; Great Value; Hill Country Fare; Kirkland Signature; Kroger; Member's Selection; Naked; Office Depot; Ozarka; Parade; Polar; Polar Spring; Polaris; Pure Life; Signature Select; Trader Joes.



→ The following brands of Unflavored water, with minerals added, may be used on Pesach with regular OU certification (KFP not required): Dasani; Glaceau Smart Water.

Water Filters any.

Wax Paper See *Paper Goods*.

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Section 3

Before & After Pesach The Final Moments





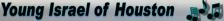
- Empty your purse & office of chametz snacks?
- Empty the garbage cans and vacuum bags?
- Send a Ma'os Chittim donation?
- Make the salt-water solution for your Seder?
- ☑ Check the Romaine for bugs?
- Prepare the Maror & Charoses?
- Make an Eruv Tavshillin so that you can cook for Shabbos?
- Feed your kids on Erev Pesach?
- ☑ Turn off the Fridge light & turn on your oven/stove?





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When buying items for *Pesach*, please make sure the item is marked "Kosher for Passover" or "בשר לפסח". Some stores may erroneously display *non-Pesach* food as *Kosher* for the holiday.



Selling Chametz

In the past, before refrigeration and preservatives, it was natural to eliminate all *chametz* from one's home before Pesach. Today, with those food saving amenities, many people choose to retain their *chametz* for after Pesach. Accordingly, a legal mechanism has become popular that allows you to sell your *chametz* to a non-Jewish person for the duration of the holiday.

Rabbi Wender will be available for *Mechiras Chametz* most nights before *Mincha* and after *Maariv* during the two weeks before *Pesach* (except for Friday & Saturday nights). Please let the Rabbi know where your *chametz* will be stored.

For those planning on selling their *Chametz* through Rabbi Wender, one should meet with the Rabbi in person at some point by Sunday morning, April 21st. For your convenience, we've included a blank "Sale of *Chametz* Form" in this Planner that you can fill out in advance and bring with you when you arrange with the Rabbi to sell your *Chametz*.

All chametz which is sold must be stored away in cabinets or closets by the time of the sale, and tape should be applied there to remind us not to open them. The chametz should not be locked up. Food that is sold by Rabbi Wender must be in their designated locations by 12:03 PM on Monday, April 22nd.

Chametz sold through Rabbi Wender can once again be used on Tuesday night April 30th, after 9:00 PM.

1 Bedikas chametz 1

On Sunday night April 21st after 8:35 PM, *Bedikas*chametz is performed. After reciting the bracha, a candle or flashlight should be used to check the entire house. This is not a symbolic search or only a game to find the pieces of bread which were scattered around the house. All areas which may have contained chametz should be searched. After the bedika, one should make a verbal nullification of chametz in a language that one understands.





Kosher Cook and similar companies:

Please be aware that utensils sold from companies [such as "Kosher Cook" etc.] that state on the packaging "Ein Tzurich Tevila" ("does not need to be toveld") is only relevant if purchased in a Jewish owned store. All utensils that are purchased in non-Jewish owned stores require Tevilah.

Shopping Alert for 2024

Hashgachah agencies across the country are reporting a concerning trend: non-KFP items are mistakenly packaged alongside KFP products, often bearing striking resemblances to each other. Additionally, there's been a surge in new kitniyos products this year.

It's crucial for consumers to exercise caution and thoroughly inspect everything they purchase for Pesach.

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Going Away for Pesach W

If you are going away before Sunday night April 21st and nobody will be staying in your house over Pesach:

A Pick one small room in your house for your *bedikah*.

A Make a *bedikah* the night before you leave. without a bracha.

A Note on your chametz form that you are going away early.

If others will be staying in your house:

A You must clean all of the rooms that will be used.

Any room you did not clean must be closed off (with tape or closed doors).

If you are going away on Sunday night April 21st OR during the day on Monday, April 22nd:

A Make a bedikah with a bracha on Sunday night before you leave.

Burn your *chametz* at the proper time by taking it with you to burn or giving it to somebody to burn for you.









If you have an ongoing order that contains chametz, make sure to cancel or suspend it prior to *Pesach*.

One may not order chametz before Pesach or on Chol Hamoed to be delivered after Pesach.

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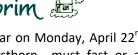
The Hirsch-Ginsberg-Taussig family



It is a custom to give tzidaka to the poor before Pesach to help prepare for the holiday. This mitzvah is referred to as Ma'os Chittim. Jewish Family Service collects money for their Passover Assistance Campaign to help local families make *Pesach*. Please see page 21 for more details.



Ta'anis Bechorim



Ta'anis Bechorim takes place this year on Monday, April 22nd. All male firstborn or fathers of young male firstborn must fast or attend a siyum. The fast will begin at 5:36 AM. A siyum will take place at Young Israel immediately after davening, which starts at 6:10 AM for the first minyan, 7:15 AM for the second *minyan*, and 8:30 AM for the third *minyan*.

Dietary / Nutritional Suppliments



Please click here to read the OU policy regarding Nutritional and Dietary Supplements for Passover.

http://oukosher.org/passover/guidelines/medicine-guidlines/nutritionals-anddietary-supplements/

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. Chametz should not be eaten after 10:46 AM on Monday morning, April 22nd. All chametz must be disposed of by 12:03 PM. The process of destroying one's Chametz is called "Biur Chametz". After burning the chametz the final nullification of the chametz is said. On Erev Pesach, no matzoh products or baked products made with matzoh meal should be eaten.



Shmura Matzoh must be used for both sedarim. Egg matzohs, grape matzohs, chocolate covered matzohs, and Passover Tam Tams are kneaded with "Mei Perot" (fruit juice) and may be used only by children or the elderly who cannot eat regular matzoh. Naturally all matzoh must have Pesach supervision, since regular matzohs are chametz.



Cooking on Yom Tov

It is forbidden to prepare on one day of Yom Tov for the next day of Yom Tov. Therefore, no food preparations for the meal on Tuesday night April 23rd may take place during the day on Tuesday for the Tuesday night Yom Tov meal (and second Seder) until after lighting candles (at 8:39 PM) on Tuesday.

Similarly, the following week no preparations for the meal on Monday night April 29th may begin **during the day on Monday** for the Monday night Yom Tov meal, until after lighting candles after 8:43 PM in the evening.





Biur

Chametz

We do not make an Eruv Tavshillin this year.



We are fortunate because at this time in Houston there are no stores that present a problem for purchasing chametz right after *Pesach*. Additionally, bakeries & restaurants that are under HKA supervision, are also acceptable right after Pesach.

Passover Baking Substitutes copied from: http://www.cor.ca/

YEAR ROUND RECIPES: FOR PASSOVER USE: 1/2 cup (125 mL) flour 2 tbsp (30 mL) Cake Meal (all purpose) + 6 tbsp (90 mL) potato starch $\frac{1}{2}$ cup (125 mL) Matzo Meal + $\frac{1}{2}$ cup (125 mL) 1 cup (250 mL) flour (all purpose) potato starch sifted together 1 cup (250 mL) flour (cake or ¹/₄ cup (50 mL) Cake Meal pastry) $+\frac{3}{4}$ cup (175 ml) potato starch 1 tbsp (15 ml) flour 1½ tsp (7 ml) potato startch 1 tbsp (15 mL) corn starch 1 tbsp (15 mL) potato starch 1/3 cup (75 mL) granulated sugar 1/3 cup (75 mL) icing sugar $+\frac{1}{2}$ tsp (2 mL) potato starch processed in blender or food processor 1 oz baking chocolate 3 tbsp unsweetened coca powder + 1 tbsp oil or (unsweetened) melted margarine 1 cup honey 1½ cup granulated sugar + ½ cup water 1 cup graham cracker crumbs 1 cup matzo meal 1 cup matzo meal 3 whole matzos ground in a processor 1 cup wine 13 tbsp water + 3 tbsp lemon juice + 1 tbsp sugar. Mix together and let set for 10 minutes.

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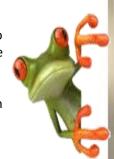
Wishing all our friends a very "CHAG PESACH KASHER V'SAMEACH"

Fondly,

David & Darlene Schwartz



There is a *Mitzvah* to count the *Omer* for seven weeks, beginning on the second night of *Pesach*. The *Mitzvah* is to count both weeks and days. One makes a *Bracha* each time they count. If a person forgot to count at night, they can count during the day the next day without a *Bracha*, and continue making the *Bracha* the following night. If a person omitted an entire day (night and day), they continue counting but without a *Bracha*.



There are many versions of this year's *Sefiras HaOmer* counting chart available. You may access some of them on our **Pesach Planner website** at http://pesachplanner.org/. Then scroll down to choose the Sefiras HaOmer link.

We've also posted an "updates page" to be used in conjunction with our Pesach Planner. Our updates page may be adjusted throughout Pesach. You can find the updates page on our Pesach Planner website: http://PesachPlanner.org.



Some <u>After-shower</u> & <u>baby powders</u> may contain oat flour or other *chametz* ingredients.

CHECK THE INGREDIENTS TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT YOU ARE USING POWDER THAT ONLY CONTAINS TALC, TALCUM POWDER, CORN STARCH, OR OTHER NON-CHAMETZ INGREDIENTS.



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Clean For Pesach & Enjoy The Seder

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These notes are based on the responsa of Moreinu v'Rabbeinu HaGaon HaRav Chaim Pinchas Scheinberg, z"I, former Rosh Yeshiva Torah Ore, to questions posed by women attending his regular chizuk talks. They have been compiled by a group of his Talmidim.

Preface:

In former times, wealthy people who had large houses also had many servants who did their every bidding, while poor people, who could not afford servants, lived in small homes with one or two rooms. Understandably, the pre-Pesach chores of the rich were performed by the servants, while the poor, who had only their one or two rooms to clean, a few pieces of furniture, a minimum of utensils, and some clothing, took care of their needs themselves. In those days, the cleaning was hard. Tables were made of raw wood, requiring them to be scrubbed or even to be shaven to ensure that no pieces of food were hidden in the cracks. Earthen or wooden floors also needed to be thoroughly cleaned and scrubbed.



than formerly. Furniture, utensils and clothing are much more plentiful. The average home today could compare with the more affluent homes of previous generations. However, we do not have the servants that they had, so that, today, all the chores fall on the housewife. At the same time, she feels obligated to clean and scrub as they did formerly, even though she has laminated furniture and tiled floors, making this type of cleaning unnecessary.

As a result of this, the pressure of *pre-Pesach* cleaning has reached unnecessary and overwhelming levels. The housewife often becomes overly nervous, unable to enjoy the *Simchas Yom Tov* of *Pesach* and unable to perform the *mitzvahs* and obligations of the *Seder* night.

Introduction:

Pesach, like every other Yom Tov, must be enjoyed by every member of the family, including women. This is an obligation clearly defined in the Torah as explained by Chazal zt"l. We can understand a person dreading Tisha B'Av but Pesach is to be looked forward to and anticipated with joy. Every woman should be well rested, relaxed, and alert at the Seder table so that she can fulfill all the Torah and Rabbinical obligations and follow the Hagadah with the rest of the family. Clearly, the performance of her pre-Pesach duties must be balanced against her Pesach obligations.

Pre-Pesach cleaning is required to avoid the danger of transgressing any Torah or Rabbinical prohibition of having chometz in the house on Pesach. It is evident from the responsa of the Rosh HaYeshiva, shlita, that this need not be excessive.

Sale of Chametz Form

Rabbi Wender will be available for Mechiras Chametz most nights before Mincha and after 9:00 PM Maariv, from April 10th to April 18th (except for Friday & Saturday nights).

For those planning on selling their Chametz through Rabbi Wender, one should meet with the Rabbi in person by Sunday morning, April 21st.

For your convenience, here is a blank "Sale of chametz Form" that you can fill out in advance and bring with you when you arrange with



Note to Seller: Please remember to tape closed or otherwise delineate areas that contain your chametz

DELEGATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ

I, the undersigned, fully empower as my agent (shaliach) and permit Rabbi Yehoshua Wender and/or the "Beis Din of Houston" to act in my place and stead, and in my behalf to sell, trade, or give away all CHAMETZ possessed by me (knowingly or unknowingly) as defined by the Torah and Rabbinic Law (e.g. chametz, doubt of chametz, and all kinds of chametz mixtures), as well as chametz that tends to harden and to adhere to a surface of pans, pots and cooking and usable utensils, and to lease all places wherein the chametz owned by me may be found, especially (but not exclusively) in the premises indicated below, before the time when chametz becomes forbidden by halacha. I do, however, retain the right to walk through those leased areas.

Rabbi Yehoshua Wender and/or the Beis Din of Houston has the full right to dispose of my chametz in any way they see fit and to lease the areas where the chametz is located by transactions, (whether I own that area or rent it) as they deem fit and proper and for such time which they believe necessary. This right also extends to chametz that I might acquire between now (the time I sign this document) and the time of sale of chametz. I hereby give the said Rabbi Yehoshua Wender and the Beis Din full power and authority to appoint a substitute in their stead with full power to sell and lease as provided herein. The above given power is in conformity with all Torah, Rabbinical regulations and laws, and also in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and of the United States.

Date:	Name:	(Please Print)
Signature:		
Home Address:		
City, State		
Office Address: (if chametz in office)		
I will be away from ho	ome /office during Pesach, and will be leav	ring before Sunday night, April 21st
The main general loca	tion of the chametz to be sold (but not to the	ne exclusion of other locations):

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Rabbi Wender's pre-Pesach Class	Wednesday, April 10 th @ 8:00 PM — YIH, in the small Beis Medrash	
Sale of Chametz	Weekday evenings April 10 to April 18 before mincha and after 9 PM maariv	
HKA Pre-Pesach Kashering	Sunday, April 14 th @ Torah VaChessed (5925 S. Braeswood Blvd.) / 11:00 AM—1:00 PM	
Rabbi Wender's Shabbos HaGadol Drasha @ YIH	Shabbos afternoon, April 20 th / 6:15 PM	
Bedikas Chametz / Search for Chametz	Sunday night, April 21 st after 8:35 PM	
Ta'anis Bechorim	Monday, April 22 nd : Ta'anis Bechorim begins at 5:36 AM Minyanim: 6:10 AM, 7:15 AM, 8:30 AM // Siyumim after 6:10 and 7:05 Minyanin	
Finish Eating Chametz	Monday, April 22 nd / by 10:46 AM	
Finish Burning Chametz	Monday, April 22 nd / by 12:03 PM	
Sale of Chametz Binding	Chametz sales done through Rabbi Wender will be binding by 12:03 pm on Monday, April 22 nd . All Chametz that you are selling must be in the designated spot by that time.	
Finish Kashering	Monday, April 22 nd / by 12:03 PM	
Erev Yom Tov - Candle Lighting	First Seder Night :: Monday, April 22 nd / 7:35 PM	
Candles & Cooking (second Seder night)	Tuesday night, April 23 rd / candles & cooking after 8:39 PM — Count #1 Sefira	
Chol Hamoed begins / Havdalla	Wednesday, April 24 th / 8:40 PM	
Erev Shabbos Candle Lighting (Chol Hamoed)	Friday, April 26 th / early Shabbos 6:33 / regular candle lighting 7:38 "	
Havdalla after Shabbos (still Chol Hamoed)	Saturday night, April 27 th / 8:42 PM	
Erev Yom Tov Candles (second days)	Sunday, April 28 th / 7:39 PM	
Candles & Cooking (for last day of Pesach)	Monday, April 29 th / candles & cooking after 8:43 PM	
Yizkor, last day of Yom Tov	Tuesday morning, April 30 th / during morning services	
Yom Tov Ends	Tuesday night, April 30 th / 8:44 PM	
Buying back Chametz	If you sold your chametz through Rabbi Wender prior to Pesach, the Rabbi expects to purchase back any chametz sold by 9:00 PM on Tuesday night, April 30 th . If you do not hear from us, then you can assume the buy-back went through.	

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