

Check list for Pesach – 5785 (2025)

Before Pesach

- Arrange for the sale of your Chometz:
This is best done by signing in person the Shtar allowing Rabbi Lieberman to arrange for the sale of your Chametz. Rabbi Lieberman will be available in his office;
Immediately after most Shacharis and Mincha/Maariv from Wednesday morning 2nd April.
Motzai Shabbos 5th April from 21.30-22.30.
Sunday 6th April morning from 10.00 - 13.00
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 7th - 9th April from 20.00 – 21.30.
- You can book an individual time to meet with Rabbi Lieberman for the sale by [clicking here](#).
- You can complete the Sale of Chometz form on line by [clicking here](#). If you choose the online option, it is still best to come around at one of the times above to make a kinyan in person with the Rav.
- Give Kimche d'Pischa/Maos Chitin to the Shul Treasurers, the Rav or the Shul Office Manager.
- Funds can be donated by Credit Card via EAYC by [clicking here](#) or via Chai Institute by [clicking here](#) or Charity Extra <https://chai.institute/Kimche-dpische>



Thursday 10th April

- Tainnis Bechorim is on Thursday, 10th April. Many fast if they have first born sons who do not yet fast themselves. Siyumim will be z"ch take place after Shacharis at each minyan. If you are a Bechor, make sure to participate in the Seudas Mitzvah after the Siyum. If you are a Bechor, you should participate in person.
- Do Bedikas Chometz when in Edgware, after nightfall at 20.32. The brocha and Kol chamira is said as usual.
- See the separate sheet for what to do if away for Pesach.

Erev Shabbos HaGadol – Friday – 11th April

- Keep aside enough Challos for Lechem Mishnah for the two Shabbos meals; on Friday night and Shabbos morning to be eaten before the zman issur of 10.45am as below.
- Chametz not needed for Friday or Shabbos, should be burnt on Friday morning before **11.54am**; however, Kol Chamira is not said at that time. All keilim should be kashered by this time.
- Chometz may be placed in the wheely bin (best if soaked with bleach), declared Hefker (ownerless) and then the bin moved to the edge of the property where it is usually picked up.
- Chametz may be eaten all day
- All the Seder preparations, e.g., marror, charoses, lettuce, roasted egg etc. need to be done before Shabbos starts.
- If possible, the Seder room and table should be prepared before Shabbos.
- The Chametz Sale document comes into force before Shabbos.
- Light a 72 hour candle together with the Shabbos candles before **7.36pm** from which to light the Yom Tov candles on Motzai Shabbos and Sunday night.
- No preparations or planning of any kind for the Seder or Yom Tov may be made on Shabbos.

Shabbos HaGaddol - 11th – 12th April

- Kiddush Friday night and Shabbos morning must be made where you are making HaMotzei.
- Eat the Challah with extreme caution, using disposables makes it easier. Make sure no Chametz crumbs come into contact with Pesach cutlery and utensils. If possible, you should make kiddush and HaMotzei in another easily cleaned place from where you can see your main table and after eating a slice of Challah that is at least a kepaitza (an egg size piece) then move to the table for a Pesachdik meal.
- Many use pita bread to limit the crumbs.
- You can bentch either at your table or where you made Kiddush and HaMotzei.
- Shabbos morning Davenning is VERY VERY early (7.00am!!)
- At Shabbos morning “lunch”, finish eating all Chametz before **10.45am**. Rinse your mouth and gather any crumbs. After this time, it is prohibited to eat Chometz.
- Gather all the leftover crumbs and pieces of Challah and destroy them, either by flushing them away or by pouring bleach all over them and placing in the wheely bin outside your property.
- Say the final Kol Chamira, disowning any final bits of Chametz, which is usually said when burning the Chametz. **This must be completed before 11.54am.**

- Items made of ground matzah (for those who eat Matzah Shiruya) are permitted on Erev Pesach if they are boiled or deep fried, but baked matzah meal products may not be eaten Erev Pesach.
- Ashkenazim should not eat Matzah Ashira (eg Egg Matzos) from Shabbos Erev Pesach throughout Pesach nor can one be Kovah Seudah on Matzah Ashira (if ill and therefore permitted) unless one eats more than three matzos.
- For Seudah Shlishis we are not permitted bread or matzah, only fruit, vegetables, fish or meat etc. Baked matzah meal products should not be eaten erev Pesach as above.
- Take care not to eat too much on Shabbos afternoon, so as to begin the Seder and eat the Matzah shel Mitzvah with an appetite.

First day of Yom Tov Motzai Shabbos and Sunday – 12th -13th April

- Preparations and planning of any kind for the Seder or Yom Tov may be made only after **Shabbos ends at 20.41pm**.
- After Shabbos say VaTodienu in the Ma'ariv Shemoneh Esrei, or Baruch HaMavdil bein Kodesh l'Kodesh before preparing anything for the Seder or lighting Yom Tov candles.
- Light the Yom Tov candles from an existing flame after Shabbos concludes at **20.41pm**.
- Begin the first seder after 20.41pm and finish the afikomin before Chatzos at 1.01am.
- Kiddush includes Havdalah as well as being the first of the four cups.
- When making the brochah Borei Meorei Haish, place two candles next to one another but don't tilt them to touch the flames to one another. The Yom Tov candles are used for this purpose.
- We say of Mashiv Haruach umorid Hageshem for the last time in the silent Mussaf Amida.
- Take care not to eat too much this afternoon, so as to begin the 2nd Seder and eat the Matzah shel Mitzvah with an appetite.

2nd Day Yom Tov – Sunday night and Monday 13th - 14th April

- We begin counting the Omer tonight.
- Preparations and planning of any kind for the 2nd Seder or Yom Tov including candle lighting may be made only after the first day ends at **20.43pm**.

Enjoy being more rested and awake than usual at the Seder Table

Wishing all a חג הפסח כשר ושמח

Rabbi Zvi H Lieberman