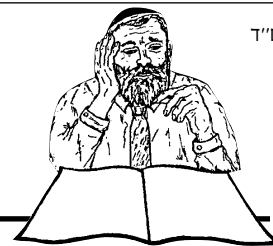


THE Daf HaKASHRUS



A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE © RABBINIC FIELD REPRESENTATIVE

DAF NOTES: The Daf HaKashrus previously published the © Hafrashas Challah System, for situations where the RFR cannot be present during the actual lishah, in its December 1994 Volume ג - No. 5 issue. The basic Halachic underpinnings of this system were explained in an accompanying article entitled "The Separation of Challah at Bakeries" by Rabbi Yerachmiel Morrison (ibid). Since then, there have been a number of enhancements to this system which are presented below.

THE © HAFRASHAS CHALLAH SYSTEM

The following is a copy of the nusach which an © representative says to be mafrish challah at a Jewish owned company.

- I. Opened boxes of matzah¹ which are *toवल l'challah* should be placed in the room where the mixing is done. It may be covered but unsealed and should preferably be touching the mixing machine.
- II. Written and oral authorization to the © should be given by the Jewish owner of the company to separate *challah* on their behalf at all times. Re-authorization should be made from time to time.
- III. Initially when the container of matzah is placed in the plant, the *Mashgiach* should hold the box of matzos in his hand with the front or back of the box facing him and say:
One fifth of a gram of matzah in a square shape from the first matzah in this box in the upper right-hand corner of the matzah facing me, should become challah on behalf of the next lishah that takes place for belilah avah at the time when that lishah takes place or on behalf of the next baking for belilah rakah when that baking is completed whichever comes first. And one fifth of a gram of matzah uniformly distributed around the part of the matzah already designated as challah should become challah on behalf of each succeeding lishah or baking, at the time of such lishah or baking as above.
- IV. Every morning thereafter someone at the office should say:
Each time a lishah will be made at - PLANT NAME - at -

PLANT LOCATION² - until the next time this nusach is said,* then from the boxes of matzah in the mixing room set aside for hafrashas challah,³ one fifth of a gram of that matzah uniformly distributed around the matzah already designated partially as challah should become challah on behalf of those lishos which are *belilah avah* at the time when that lishah takes place, and on behalf of the items baked from a *belilah rakah* when the baking is completed.** And if the matzah used until now is all used up for hafrashas challah purposes, the next matzah behind it should become challah in the same fashion. Namely, first one fifth of a gram in a square shape from the matzah's upper right hand corner, directly behind the first area designated as challah in the matzah used until now, should become challah etc.

* If there is a good chance that challah is taken at the plant, the following should be added at this point: "in case challah will not be taken at the plant".

** If grains other than wheat are being used for baking, matzos of that type of grain should be placed in the bakery in a separate box and the following added at this point: "from each min on its own min".

- V. If it is certain that at least one of the Jewish owned companies is not taking challah, a bracha should be recited before saying this nusach.

¹ Precise quantity is determined in accordance with the number of lishos at the plant.

² If the nusach is being said for more than one plant, then the person may write the names and locations of the plants onto a single piece of paper and say "Each time a lishah will be made at any of the plants listed on this paper until the next time..."

³ Every year during the beginning of June, a new production of matzah which is *toवल l'challah* should be placed in all bakeries alongside of the old box until October 30 when the old box may be removed. During the interim period between June 1 and October 30, add the following at this point: "and from the same year as the flour in the lishah..."

The following is a list of Empire products which contain Yoshon flour or Cholov Yisroel cheese as indicated:



YOSHON FLOUR

- Turkey Pie
- Chicken Pie
- Spaghetti & Meatballs Frozen Entrée
- Turkey Teriyaki Frozen Entrée
- Breaded Chicken Cutlets - Fried
- Breaded Split Chicken Breasts - Fried
- Breaded Drum & Thighs - Fried

- Breaded Cut-Up Chicken - Fried
- Breaded Chicken Nuggets - Fried
- Breaded Tenders - Fried
- Large Egg Rolls
- Mini Egg Rolls
- Potato Blintzes
- Cherry Blintzes

- Blueberry Blintzes
- Apple/Raisin Blintzes
- Chicken Kiev - Frozen Stuffed Chicken Breast
- Chicken Continental - Frozen Stuffed Chicken Breast
- Chicken Portobello - Frozen Stuffed Chicken Breast

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KASHRUTH *advisory*

LAFFY TAFFY made in the United States is © certified. The new Laffy Taffy Flavor Flippers, which are a product of the Czech Republic do not bear the © and are NOT certified as kosher.

LUDEN'S COUGH DROPS AND THROAT DROPS produced by Pharmacia -Upjohn, Peapack, NJ are now certified as ©.

STONYFIELD FARM O'SOY CULTURED SOY (all flavors) produced by Stonyfield Farms, Inc., Londonderry, NH are correctly marked as © and contain dairy ingredients.

KASHRUTH *alert!*

BOLTHOUSE FARMS PASSION FRUIT APPLE CARROT JUICE produced by Wm. Bolthouse Farms, Inc., Bakersfield, CA with a "Best If Used By" date prior to Dec. 6, 2003 inadvertently bears an unauthorized © symbol. Subsequent production lots were produced in an Orthodox Union certified plant and were labeled correctly.

DELISHERIES PEANUT BUTTER BLAST produced by Delisheries, Terre Haute, IN is certified as © but the dairy designation has been inadvertently omitted. Corrective action is being taken.

TONE'S AJO EN POLVO - CON QUESO PARA PAN GARLIC BREAD SPRINKLE WITH CHEESE (Spanish-English label) produced by Tone Brothers, Ankeny, IA mistakenly bears an unauthorized © symbol and is not kosher. Corrective action is being taken.

The status of **SOY DREAM NON-DAIRY FROZEN DESSERT-STRAWBERRY SWIRL** (quart size) produced by Imagine Foods/The Hain-Celestial Group has changed from Pareve to Dairy. New product can be identified by ©, while product labeled © (without a suffix) is Pareve. **CONSUMERS SHOULD CAREFULLY CHECK PACKAGING OF ALL FOOD PURCHASES FOR CHANGES IN KOSHER CERTIFICATION.**

A limited number of cans of **PATHMARK VEGETARIAN BAKED BEANS** produced by Pathmark Stores, Inc. Carteret, NJ are mislabeled and contain bacon & beans. The mislabeled cans have a can code of "HBN". Cans with "HPN OU" in the can code are correctly labeled and contain vegetarian baked beans. Corrective action is being taken. Consumers finding mislabeled product should contact the OU at (212) 613-8169.

OLD LONDON AMERICAN CLASSIC TOAST, Old London, Bronx, NY mistakenly bears an unauthorized © symbol and is not kosher. Corrective action is being taken. **TOASTETTES** and **MELBA TOAST** produced by Old London are certified as © Pareve.

AWARD DANISH BUTTER COOKIES produced by Eckerd Drug Company, Clearwater, FL mistakenly bears an unauthorized © symbol and is not certified as kosher by the Orthodox Union.

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YOSHON FLOUR & CHOLOV YISROEL

Cheese Blintzes

Bagel Pizzas

4 Cheese Pizza

3 - Pak Cheese Pizzas

Mushroom Pizza

Roasted Garlic Fettuccini
Primavera - Frozen Entrée

Spinach Pizza

Eggplant Parmigiana - Frozen Entrée

Supreme Pizza

...אתכם לשלום...

to our dedicated RC, Rabbi Pinchos Birnhack who has worked very diligently over the past few years with the Kashruth issues related to insect infestation in fruits and vegetables as well as the trucking industry. We wish him much success in all his future endeavors.

...בואכם לשלום ומזל טוב...

to Rabbi Yechiel Richard who will be assuming Rabbi Birnhack's duties at OU Kashruth. Rabbi Richard presently serves as Rav of Congregation Bais Eliyahu Dovid in Pomona, NY. He has received Smicha from Rav Yechezkel Roth and Rav Nosson Gestetner among others. Rabbi Richard was a Chaver Ha Kollel of Kollel Bais Avraham Dovid in Toronto, Canada and is a past participant of the ASK © Mashgiach Training Program. We wish Rabbi Richard much success here at OU Kashruth. He can be reached at 212-613-8207. We also take this opportunity to wish Rabbi Richard and his wife a hearty Mazal Tov on the birth and Bris of their son, Avrohom Tzvi.

MAZAL TOV TO ...

our dedicated Executive Rabbinic Coordinator **RABBI MOSHE ELEFANT AND HIS WIFE** on the engagement of their daughter Chaya to Moshe Pinchus Shwed of Monsey, NY.

our devoted Rabbinic Coordinator **RABBI DOV SCHREIER AND HIS WIFE** on the birth of their daughter Yael Rivka on Kol Nidre night.

our dedicated Rabbinic Coordinator, **RABBI DAVID BISTRICER AND HIS WIFE** on the birth and Bris of their son, Yosef Shlomo.

our devoted RFR in Tokyo, Japan **RABBI HERTSEL SIMANTOV AND HIS WIFE** on the birth of their daughter Sarina.

our dedicated RFR in Antwerp, Belgium **RABBI YISROEL HOLLANDER AND HIS WIFE** on the birth of their daughter Miriam.

CONDOLENCES TO...

our dedicated RFR in Mexico City, **RABBI AVROHOM RESNICOFF AND FAMILY** on the loss of his mother Mrs. Leah Resnicoff O'H of Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

our devoted RFR in Pawtucket, RI **RABBI EPHRAIM GERBER AND FAMILY** on the recent loss of his mother, Mrs. Mindle (Mildred) Gerber O'H of the Lower East Side, NY.

♦ המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים ♦