JEWISH FESTIVALS: TWO LOAVES (LECHEM MISHNEH): WHAT TO USE

Bagels for HaMotzi

You may use two bagels for the two loaves (*lechem mishneh*), even though they are already sliced most of the way through, if you can pick up each bagel by its slightly smaller half and the larger half does not fall off.

Crackers for HaMotzi

The minimum volume of a cracker or crispbread (such as Ryvita or Wasa) that may be used for *lechem mishneh* is 1 oz. (30 ml).

Other Foods for HaMotzi

You may not substitute other foods for the two loaves (*lechem mishneh*). You may not, for example, use two apples or two cans of fish.

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