

KADDISH: HOW OFTEN TO SAY

Kaddish Frequency: Needs of Dead Person

Each dead person needs kaddish to be said for him or her:

- By at least one person.

NOTE If more than one person who was close to the dead person (such as a relative) says kaddish, it is a merit for the soul of the dead person.

- At least once a day.

NOTE More frequently is commendable, since kaddish relieves a dead person's soul from *gehenna*.

Kaddish Frequency: Requirements of Sons

Each son age 6 and above is required to say kaddish for his dead parent at least once a day.

NOTE “Day” here means from dark until the following sunset. If you say kaddish at mincha and the following ma'ariv, you have covered two days.

Saying Kaddish Multiple Times

Even though saying kaddish many times benefits the dead person's soul, there is no need--nor is it the custom--to attend multiple minyans each day in order to say kaddish for a dead person many times.