

# Passover: Kashering an Oven: Cleaning

To determine whether an oven is clean:

If there are black or brown spots, scratch them:

- If the substance crumbles, the spots are OK.
- If the spots do not crumble, consider the oven NOT clean.

**NOTE** If you use the oven's self-clean cycle, you do not need to remove the hard deposits from the oven before *kashering*.

If the oven is not self-cleaning, you must remove (clean off or burn off) any deposits on the walls, racks, and window. If the stains or deposits do not come off after two cycles of using a strong oven cleaner such as Easy Off, the oven is considered sufficiently clean. **Weaker oven cleaners that do not remove deposits may not be relied on.**