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If you are staying in someone else's house for *Passover* and the owner is away for the holiday, you must do *bedikat chametz* for the house--even if the owner has not been there for more than 30 days and even if you will not be eating in that house. The same rule applies for any place that you have rented for any part of *Passover* and that does not have a resident owner who has done the *bedika* there.

EXCEPTION If you are staying in a hotel or other accommodation that is thoroughly cleaned before Passover, you do not need to do bedika chametz.

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