JEWISH FESTIVALS: BOTTLES

Jewish Festivals: Opening Plastic Bottles

You may completely open plastic bottle caps on plastic bottles on *Jewish festivals* (even if doing so will leave a plastic ring on the bottle), as long as it is theoretically possible to dispense the liquid without completely separating the cap from its seal.

REASON Since liquid can be poured with the cap still attached, we have not violated the *Jewish festival* by making a sealed bottle into a "new utensil."

NOTE If you will destroy letters that are printed on the cap, you may not open the bottle.

Jewish Festivals: Opening Metal Bottle Caps

You may not open metal bottle caps on *Jewish festivals* if a metal ring will be left after doing so. You may break that ring or simply open the bottle before the *Jewish festival* (or simply open the bottle and reclose it such that when you open in again, no metal will be broken).

NOTE If you need the contents for a *Jewish festival* (such as if it is a bottle of wine), you may ask a non-Jew to open the bottle for you. But if it is wine that is not cooked/*mevushal*, the wine will become non-*kosher* once opened and handled by the non-Jew.

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