KASHRUT: DAIRY/MEAT: FOOD OF ONE GENDER FALLS INTO OPPOSITE FOOD

Dairy/Milk Food Falls into/onto Meat or Meat Falls into/onto Dairy/Milk Food

WERE BOTH FOODS LESS THAN 120° F?

YES

ARE BOTH FOODS SOLID?

YES

STATUS If you can separate them (there are no cracks in the meat), both foods are *kosher*. Consult a *rabbi*.

WHAT TO DO

- If one or both of the foods were already cooked, separate them and wash with soap and water (if possible).
- If it is not possible to separate them, just cut off the thinnest slice possible from each surface of each food which had been in contact with the opposite gender food and you may use the food.

NO

SOLID FOOD FALLS INTO LIQUID FOOD OR LIQUID FOOD FALLS ONTO SOLID FOOD

STATUS If both foods are cold and you can separate them (there are no cracks in the meat), they MAY be *kosher*. Consult a *rabbi*.

- Both foods are non-*kosher* if they cannot be separated.
- If you can separate them enough that one becomes less than 1/60th the volume of the other:
    - The larger food is *kosher*.
    - The lesser one is non-*kosher*.

WHAT TO DO

- Once the two foods are separated, wash or otherwise remove the smaller food from the larger one.
- If not possible, cut off the thinnest slice possible and you may eat the remaining food.

NOTE If there are cracks in raw or cooked meat, and if you can clean off enough of the *dairy* spill so that the remainder is less than 1/60th, it may be *kosher*--ask a *rabbi*.

LIQUID FOOD FALLS INTO LIQUID FOOD

STATUS Both liquid foods are non-*kosher*.

EXCEPTION If one liquid food is less than 1/60th the volume of the other one, the mixture is *kosher*.

NOTE If non-*kosher* wine is involved, see below.

SOLID FOODS, ONE OR BOTH ARE HOT

STATUS If one (or both) of the foods is hotter than 120° F, both foods are non-*kosher*.

EXCEPTION If one food is less than 1/60th of the volume of the other:

- The larger-volume food may be *kosher* (consult a *rabbi*).
- The smaller-volume food remains not *kosher*.

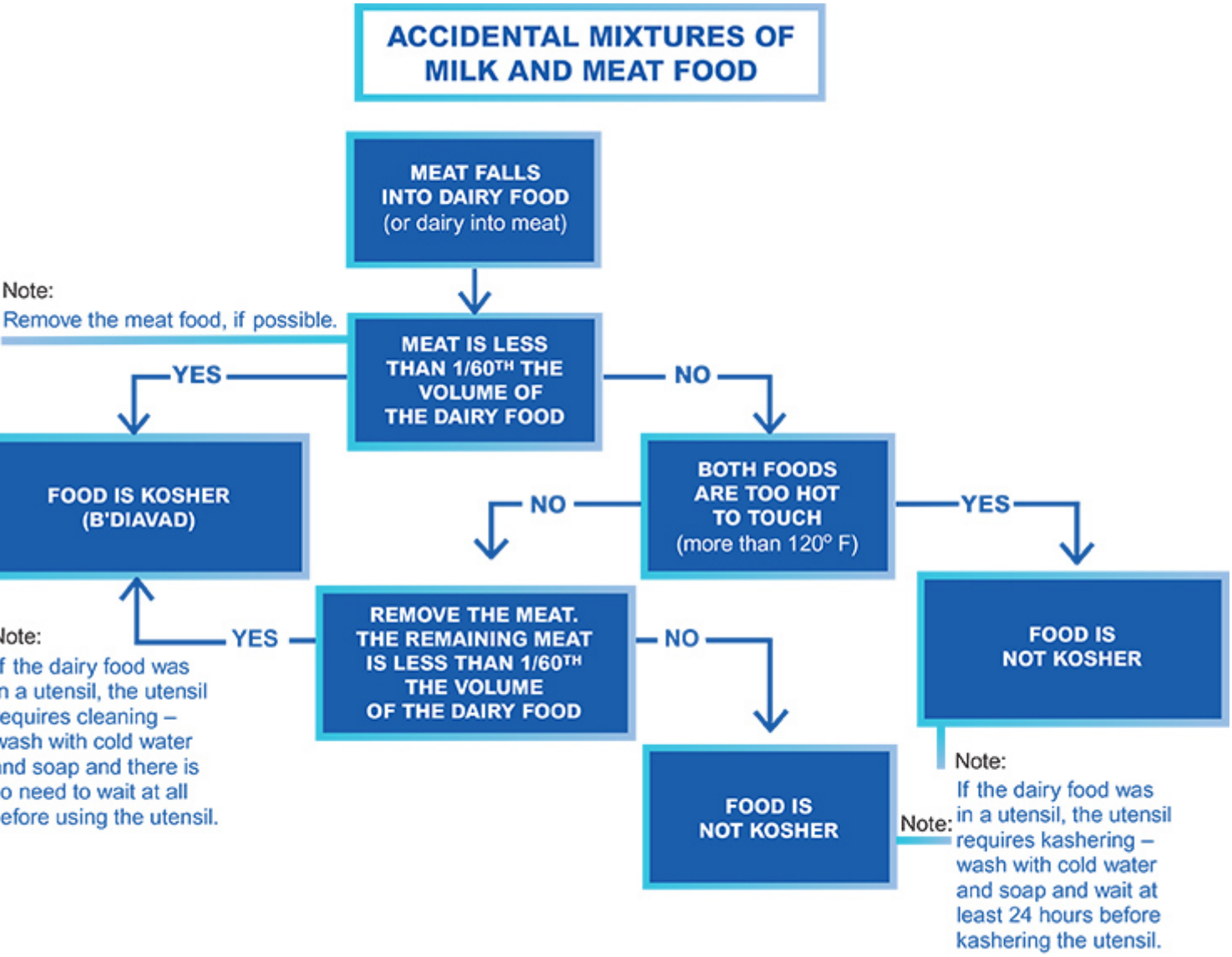
POSSIBLE EXCEPTION If the food on the bottom is cold and thick, consult a *rabbi*.

If either food is spicy, see above.
If any combination (solid and liquid; solid and solid which are in any liquid; or liquid and liquid) of *dairy* and meat were soaked together for 24 hours or more, even if cold, they are all not *kosher*.

EXCEPTION In any of these three cases, in which one is less than 1/60th the volume of the other:

- The larger food is *kosher*.
- The lesser one is non-*kosher*.

NOTE You must remove the smaller food from the larger one and wash off the larger one, if possible. If you don't know how long the foods soaked together but it may have been less than 24 hours, you may use the foods.



Accidental Mixtures of Dairy and Meat Foods

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