

# KASHRUT: DAIRY/MEAT: STOVETOP SPATTERS

## KASHRUT: DAIRY/MEAT: WHAT IS A SPATTER

### Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: What Is a Spatter

A spatter is single drops of a substance.

**NOTE** In this website, a small spatter is a single drop and a large spatter is several or more drops.

## KASHRUT: DAIRY/MEAT: SPATTER TEMPERATURE

### Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: Spatter Temperature

You may assume that a spatter of single drops is less than 120° F (49° C) when it contacts a cold utensil or other food.

## KASHRUT: DAIRY/MEAT: POT SPATTERS ONTO UTENSIL OR EMPTY POT

### Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: Pot Spatters: Outside of Utensil, Below Normal Food Line

**SITUATION** A hot or cold meat utensil is empty or contains meat food. It receives a spatter of dairy below the normal food line and the spatter is less 1/60th of the volume of the pot.

#### STATUS

- The food in the utensil (if any) is kosher in all cases.
- Pot is kosher after 24 hours without kashering.

**WHAT TO DO** You must wash the pot off with cold water and soap.

### Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: Tiny Pot Spatters: Outside of Utensil, Above Normal Food Line

#### SITUATION

- The outside of a hot, empty pot of one gender gets a spatter of opposite-gender food ABOVE the normal food line.
- The spatter is less than 1/3600 of the normally used volume of the pot (instead of the normal criterion of 1/60th of the volume--this being 1/60th of 1/60th).

**STATUS** The pot is kosher after 24 hours without kashering.

**WHAT TO DO** You must wash the pot off with cold water and soap.

**NOTE** This applies even if the pot had been used at 120° F (49° C) or more within 24 hours.

### Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: Larger Pot Spatters above Normal Food Line

#### SITUATION

- A hot, empty pot of one gender gets a spatter of opposite-gender food ABOVE the normal food line.
- The spatter is more than 1/3600 of the normally used volume of the pot.

**STATUS** The pot is non-kosher.

**WHAT TO DO** You must kasher the pot by washing in cold water and soap, waiting 24 hours, and then boiling the pot.

### Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: Pot Spatters and Pareve

#### SITUATION

- Food of one gender spatters onto the outside of a pareve utensil.
- Either the food and/or the utensil are hot.

## NOTE

If the pot is not hot, a small spatter will not be hot. If the spatter is large (more than one drop), the spatter may be hot. Ask a rabbi what to do.

## STATUS

The utensil assumes the spatter's gender UNLESS the spatter was less than 1/60th of the volume of the metal in the pareve utensil (not 1/60th of the volume the container usually holds). Consult a rabbi.

# KASHRUT: DAIRY/MEAT: SPATTERS INTO A POT OF FOOD

## Kashrut: Dairy/Meat: Hot Dairy Food Spatters INTO Meat Pot, or Vice Versa

### SITUATION

- Hot dairy food spatters INTO a pot of meat food, or vice versa.
- Spatter is less than 1/60th of the volume of the food into which it spattered.

### STATUS

The spattered food is nullified (batel ba'shishim).

### WHAT TO DO

As there is nothing to wash off, the food may be eaten, but you should remove the spattered food, if possible. The pot is kosher.