MEZUZA: PLACEMENT

Mezuza: Placement: Right Side of Doorway

Attach a *mezuza* to the right side of the doorway as you follow the main traffic through the house. If there is one continuous path to go further into the house, place all of the *mezuzot* on the right side as you go further into the house.

Mezuza: Placement: Balcony

Place a balcony door *mezuza* on the right side of the doorway as you enter the house from the balcony, if the balcony has an outside entrance. If the balcony does not have an outside entrance, put the *mezuza* on the right side as you exit the house.

NOTE If the balcony has a roof, you may be able to put it on the right side as you go out. Consult a *rabbi*.

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Mezuza: Placement: Door Frame

Place the *mezuza* outside the door but within the door frame. If not possible, you may place the *mezuza* inside the door frame.

NOTE You may recess a *mezuza* into the door frame.

NOTE If the doorframe is wider than 4” (10 cm), place the *mezuza* toward the outer edge of the frame, not centered in the middle.

NOTE You may attach a *mezuza* to a piece of wood that extends the doorway.

Mezuza: Placement: Height

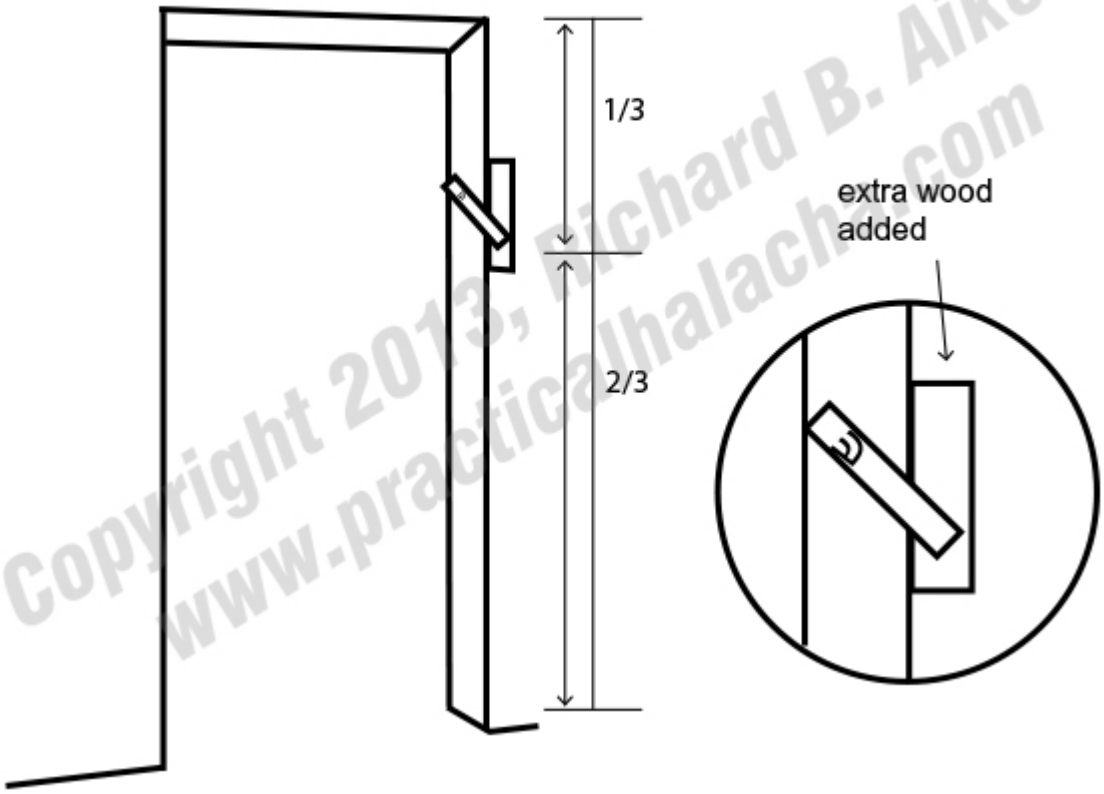
Place the *mezuza* at shoulder height for the average person. Leave at least one *tefach* (4”, or 10 cm) between *mezuza* and lintel.
If possible, affix a *mezuza* just above where the top 1/3 of the doorpost meets the middle 1/3.

NOTE This rule is superseded by the rule that the *mezuza* must be near shoulder height.

Mezuza: Placement: Angle

Place the *mezuza* on a 45-degree angle from the vertical, with the top of the *mezuza* toward the inside of the main room. If you cannot, any angle toward the entrance is OK.

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