# PASSOVER: KASHERING

### Passover: Dishes and Pots

See Passover: Special Pots.

For more details on *kashering* for *Passover* from the Star-K, click here.

NOTE On *Passover*, gender and *chametz* status DO get transferred through a stream of hot liquid back into the pouring container.

### Passover: When To Finish Kashering

When *kashering* an oven or utensils for *Passover*, you may *kasher:*

- By *Libun*

  Anytime, including on *chol ha'moed* (but not on *Jewish festivals* or *Shabbat*).

- By *Hag'ala*

  Until one hour before *halachic midday* on *Passover* eve (but *b'di'avad* it is OK until just before sunset of *Passover* eve).

### Passover: Kashering Pots and Utensils To Change from Milk to Meat (or vice versa)

You may make certain utensils *kosher* for *Passover* if they were *chametz* or non-*kosher*. For a list of materials that can be *kashered*, see the sections entitled **"Items/Materials that Can Be *Kashered*"** and **"Items/Materials that Cannot Be *Kashered*"** here: Introduction to Food Nullification: Utensils (*Kashering*)
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NOTE You may not change utensils that are already *kosher* directly from *milk* to meat or meat to *milk*. Rather, you must:

- First make the utensil non-*kosher* (or *chametz*), and then
- *Kasher* it.

Once *kashered*, the utensil will usually be neutral/*pareve* as far as gender and you may choose to make it *dairy* or meat.

### Passover: Kashering an Oven

To *kasher* an oven for *Passover*:

- Clean it completely, including any hard deposits, and
- Heat the oven for 40 minutes at its highest temperature.

### Passover: Kashering an Oven: Cleaning

To determine whether an oven is clean:
If there are black or brown spots, scratch them:

- If the substance crumbles, the spots are OK.
- If the spots do not crumble, consider the oven NOT clean.

NOTE If you use the oven's self-clean cycle, you do not need to remove the hard deposits from the oven before *kashering*.
If the oven is not self-cleaning, you must remove (clean off or burn off) any deposits on the walls, racks, and window. If the stains or deposits do not come off after two cycles of using a strong oven cleaner such as Easy Off, the oven is considered sufficiently clean. **Weaker oven cleaners that do**

**not remove deposits may not be relied on.**

### Passover: Kashering an Oven: Temperature

The order of preference for the heat settings is

- Self-cleaning (if possible) on the self-cleaning cycle.
- Next choice is broil or the highest heat setting.

For more details on *kashering* for *Passover*, see kashrus/kk-passover-*kashering*.htm">http://www.star-k.org/*kashrus*/kk-passover-*kashering*.htm

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