

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 \(Kashering\)](#).

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)"><http://www.star-k.org/kashrus/kk-passover-kashering.htm>