



EREV PESACH THAT FALLS ON SHABBOS

TAANIS BECHORIM

When Erev Pesach falls on Shabbos, Taanis Bechorim takes place on Thursday

BEDIKAS AND BIUR CHOMETZ

Thursday night, with regular brocha, same procedure as normal.

Place all chometz for Friday/Shabbos in a secure place.

Normal year: eat till end of the 4th hour, burn before end of 5th hour and be mevatel (כל חמירא say)

This year: One cannot burn chometz on Shabbos, therefore burn on Friday. This should ideally be done before the end of the 5th hour (12:14pm), so as not to get confused with another year. Bitul (say כל חמירא) is done on Shabbos (before the end of the 5th hour – 12:14pm)

SALE OF CHOMETZ

The sale of Chometz takes place on Friday. This is done prior to Shabbos

KASHERING

All kashering must be completed before Shabbos.

THE SHABBOS MEALS:

One needs to have 3 meals, 2 of them must be with bread and ideally the 3rd should also.

On this Shabbos one cannot cook a chometz dish which has food that will stick to the pot eg. Flour.

First meal (Friday night): One should eat at least a Kabeitza (volume of an egg) of bread. Practically one would eat the bread over a plastic bag or a napkin and throw any remaining crumbs down the toilet (make sure to keep any bread/crumbs far away from Pesach utensils).

Some who are nervous to use bread use Egg Matzah – the Ashkenazi minhag is not to eat these matzos on Pesach but they can be eaten on Erev Pesach (up until the end of the 4th hour 11:02am).

Second and third meals (daytime meals): on a regular Shabbos one would eat one meal in the morning and one in the afternoon (preferably both containing bread), however

when Shabbos is Erev Pesach one cannot eat any bread after the end of the 4th hour (11:02am) this poses a **problem** when and how does one eat the Seudah Shlishis on this Shabbos? One cannot eat matzah the whole day, bread cannot be eaten after 11:02am and to add to the problem many opinions hold one should not eat the Seudah Shlishis before midday (1:25pm).

The solution: We will daven early on this Shabbos (7:30am) in order to give ourselves enough time to eat the meals. One should wash, eat bread (the same process as mentioned above) have something to eat, and then bentch.

At this point one should take at least a 10-15 minutes break, ideally leaving one's place and going for some sort of walk. This is because we now want to have another meal (Seudah Shlishis), in order that there shouldn't be a problem of causing ourselves to make unnecessary Brochos, therefore we make sure there is a proper break.

Then we come back, wash again and eat our bread in the same way as before. This all has to be done by **11:02am** (one should also make sure there is no chometz in one's mouth. If it is hard to remove the chometz one may use a toothpick or pre-cut floss, where one knows it won't cause bleeding. There are opinions who permit a dry toothbrush to be used).

Once one has finished the bread one can continue the meal (with Pesach food). Any left over chometz has to be **disposed of by 12:14pm** and **bitul** must be done by this point.

However as mentioned above there are many opinions who say that Seudah Shlishis has to be after midday (1:25pm). Therefore, in the afternoon one should also eat some fruit, vegetables, meat etc. in order to fulfil the mitzvah according to those opinions.

Those who eat gebrochts should ideally eat some Kneidlach (this has to be done before the start of the 10th hour (4:23pm), since they have the brocha of mezonos and are the next best in the list for Seudah Shlishis.

Any chometz that one is not able to dispose of, should be given to a Non-Jew or put in his bin (bleach or equivalent should be poured over chometz) before 12:14pm.

Summary Chart

Thursday	Friday	Shabbos	Sunday	Monday
Taanis Bechorim	Burn Chometz 12:14pm (No Kol Chamira)	Shacharis 7:30am	First Day Yom Tov	Second Day Yom Tov
Bedikas Chometz from 7:58pm	Sale of Chometz completed	Finish chometz by 11:02am (Say Kol Chamira)		
		Dispose of chometz by 12:14pm		