

PESACH NOTES & DELETIONS

**For the purposes of clarity, we are reproducing the following
Pesach notes and deletions**

Update Highlights

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FROZEN VEGETABLES

Frozen vegetables are blanched prior to freezing, and in some facilities chametz items may be blanched in the same equipment. Furthermore, possible chametz or kitniyot chemicals such as anti-foam, anti-oxidants (e.g. citric acid) may be placed in the blanch water. As such only frozen vegetables that have been investigated may be used.

In contrast IQF plain frozen fruit provided there are no added sweeteners or other ingredients may be used.

FRESH VEGETABLES

Any packaged prewashed vegetables are not acceptable for Pesach unless investigated, as the wash water may contain chametz or kitniyot ingredients.

Vegetables such as whole carrots, cucumbers, zucchini, tomatoes, unpeeled potatoes, pumpkin, squash etc are not pre-washed and are all acceptable for Pesach purchased from any store.

Boxes of salad leaves, that say "Wash Before Use" have not been pre-washed and are acceptable for Pesach use

GLUTEN FREE MATZAH

NB: there are various Gluten Free Matzah Style crackers on the market. These are not Matzah at all and the mitzvot of the seder night can not be fulfilled using these crackers. Matzah must be made using flour of the five grains: wheat oats barley rye and spelt. These crackers use no flour of these kinds and use instead ingredient like tapioca starch or potato starch and are therefore not matzah. Their blessing is shehakol.

Special gluten free oat matzah is specially made for Pesach and is specifically labelled kosher for the seder night and the only ingredients are oat flour and water.

Please be careful to ensure you fulfil the mitzvah with proper matzah.

SALT

Any salt that has no anticaking agent, or any salt that has anticaking agent i 554, and it is the only added ingredient is acceptable.

Deletions

The following five items are deleted from the directory

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Foda Orgranics

Organic Mixed Olives with “Garlic & Peppers”

CHOCOLATE & CONFECTIONERY

Pana Chocolate

Mint

Sixty

FISH

HUON :

Cold Smoked Salmon (no added flavours)

TASSAL

Tasmanian Smoked Salmon Pieces for Cooking

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Everyone is reminded of the three food sections in our guide this year

Section 1 – Certified Kosher for Pesach

These are products that have been investigated and formally supervised especially for Pesach. They represent the highest standard of Kashrut as applicable to kosher for Pesach. Other than raw foods some people purchase only these products for Pesach. Because the Code of Jewish Law encourages people to be especially strict on Pesach some people have a custom to use only kosher for pesach certified items for Pesach.

Section 2 – Kosher for Pesach – Not certified

These are products that while not being formally certified for Pesach have been determined to be of a standard that is appropriate for the fully observant kosher consumer even in the first instance. They are products that are inherently kosher for Pesach or the possibility of contamination with Chametz is considered insignificant.

Section 3 – Chametz Free

These are products that have been investigated and found to be free of Chametz but are not certified as such and are not up to a standard generally practiced by international kashrut agencies. These products are listed for use by persons who may not have access to certified kosher for Pesach products or are not yet ready to take upon themselves the stricter approach.