

GUIDE TO EREV PESACH ON SHABBOS

A step-by-step guide for Pesach 2025



1 THURSDAY

- Fast of Firstborn begins at daybreak.
- Bedikas Chametz is done Thursday night at nightfall with a bracha (blessing).



2 FRIDAY MORNING



- Chametz is sold in the morning.
- Burn chametz before 11:50AM (M"A 11:38am), the end of the Halachic fifth hour. We can't burn chametz on Shabbos, so we do it today.
- If possible, prepare all items for the Seder plate now rather than on Yom Tov.
- Set aside your chametz that you will eat over Friday night and Shabbos morning.

3 FRIDAY AFTERNOON-EVE



- Be sure to leave a stovetop flame on or light a memorial-type candle before Shabbos so that you can light from a pre-existing flame on Saturday night. (In fact, a 3 day candle is preferred in order to light candles the 2nd night of Yom Tov).
- Have your Friday night meal. You do need to wash, so have egg matzah or rolls/pita. You can choose to include chametz in the rest of your meal, or have an all Pesach meal (no chametz included in the rest of your meal).

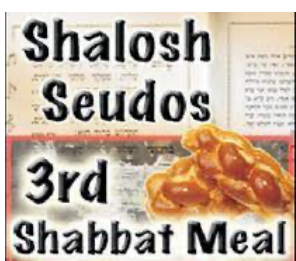


4 SHABBOS DAY (MORNING)



- EAT EARLY! Finishing eating chametz (including egg matzah if using) before 10:45am (M"A 10:19am), the end of the fourth Halachic hour.
- If using egg matzah for Shabbos meals, do not eat them in Pesach containers/utensils. (Ashkenazim do not eat egg matzah on Pesach unless elderly or infirm.)
- If eating Pesach food, be sure to keep any chametz (even crumbs or egg matzah) contained and away from Pesach dishes.
- If you have any remaining chametz, flush it down the toilet.
- Recite the nullification (bitul) before 11:50am.

5 SEUDAH SHELISHIS



- You can have a second bread meal before 10:45am (M"A 10:19am), but you'll need to take a break from your first meal. Take a walk outside for 5 min.
- And/or you can have fruit or eggs later in the day before 3pm.

6 MOTZEI SHABBOS



- Say "Baruch HaMavdil Bein Kodesh l'Kodesh." Havdalah will be later, integrated with Kiddush.
- Light Yom Tov candles using the pre-existing flame (prelit stovetop or memorial candle) that was lit before Shabbos. Many try to have one of the candles to have two or more wicks (YaKNeHaZ candle).
- Prepare for the Seder meal.
- No preparations can be done for the Seder on Shabbos itself.
- Begin the Seder. In the Kiddush, add the extra paragraph for Havdalah.