

# SAMCHAINU GUIDE TO THE HALACHOS OF ERUV TAVSHILIN & YAKNEHAZ

A SELECTION OF LAWS & CUSTOMS WITH A FOCUS ON SINGLE MOTHER FAMILIES

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The *של"ה הקדוש* writes that learning and properly observing the Halachos of a חג infuse the Yom Tov with tremendous Bracha. Please note that the Halachos and Minhagim contained in this article follow the custom of בני אשכנז.

## WHEN YOM TOV FALLS ON A FRIDAY:

### ערוב תבשילין

Under normal circumstances, it is forbidden to make preparations on Yom Tov for Shabbos. When Yom Tov falls on Friday and goes directly into Shabbos, it is necessary to prepare for Shabbos on Yom Tov. An עירוב תבשילין should be made in order to cook for Shabbos. The Eruv only allows you to prepare on ערב שבת, beginning Thursday night after nightfall. The Eruv does not allow cooking for Shabbos earlier than Thursday night.

The process of making the Eruv Tavshilin is as follows:

1. On Erev Yom Tov, prepare a cooked food (egg, fish, meat, etc.) and a baked item (bread, challah, or matzah).
2. Hold the items in the right hand, and say the following brachah: "ברוך אתה ד'... אשר קדישנו במצותיו וציונו על מצות עירוב".
3. Using a machzor, recite the paragraph proclaiming that since cooked and baked items were prepared before Yom Tov, this permits us to continue baking, cooking, light candles and preparing all of our Shabbos needs on Yom Tov.
4. Set aside the foods for the Eruv in a safe place, since they must remain intact until Shabbos preparations are finished. The foods of the Eruv should be eaten on Shabbos. It is preferable to use the bread as part of the לחם משנה for שלש סעודות.

Once done, the Eruv works for all household members and guests. If you forgot to make an Eruv, consult a Rav.

## WHEN YOM TOV FALLS ON A MOTZEI SHABBOS:

### יקנה"ז

When either night of Yom Tov falls on Motzei Shabbos, as is the case this year (motzei Shabbos is the second night of Yom Tov) then ה בדלה is said as part of Kiddush of the Yom Tov סעודה. This ה בדלה is referred to as יקנה"ז, which is an acronym for the order of the ברכות said - ה בדלה, נר (בוראי מאורי האש), קידוש (מקדש ישראל והזמנים), זמן (שהחיינו) (המבדיל בין קודש לקודש), זמן (שהחיינו).

The full text of the ה בדלה of יקנה"ז can be found in a machzor.

A regular "ה בדלה candle" should not be used, since the fire may not be extinguished after ה בדלה. Instead, the ברכה of "בוראי מאורי האש" should be said on the יום טוב that already have been lit. בשמים are not used.