

MACHVAS

The *Rishonim* have two opinions whether a "machvas" must be kashered with libun or hag'alah, and these are cited by *Shulchan Aruch* and *Rema*.

The word *machvas* is loosely translated as "frying pan", and in the coming installment we will see how these halachos apply to modern frying pans.

At first glance, the opinion that allows hag'alah seems more straightforward, since the *machvas* is always used with liquid, and *libun* is only required for pans or other equipment where the food is broiled without any liquid present. However, the stricter position is based on a concern that the oil will be absorbed and boiled-out during frying such that the dry food will be cooking directly on the walls of the *machvas*, and it is that use which demands *libun*.

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