

דרך קצרה

Brief summaries of cRc Kashrus Policies

CALCULATING AINO BEN YOMO [PART 1 – HOT WATER]

Kashering a utensil when it is *aino ben yomo* means that there are 24 hours between when it was used with non-kosher and *hag'alah*. In this installment and the next one we will consider two issues relating to ways the utensil might be used during those 24 hours and whether that affects the *aino ben yomo* status.

What if a pot was used for non-kosher at 9:00 AM on Sunday, and was then used to cook water (i.e., kosher pareve) at 10:00 AM? Does that cooking affect the required 24-hour downtime (since the pot was used) or should we say that since the water is kosher the status is not affected? In *Yoreh Deah* this is considered in the context of *ChaNaN*, and the implication is that in cases where *ChaNaN* does not apply *aino ben yomo* is calculated from the last time the pot was used for non-kosher (i.e., 9:00) rather than from the subsequent time when it was used for kosher (i.e., 10:00).

However, *Yad Yehuda* suggests that becoming "*aino ben yomo*" is a gradual process that begins as soon as the *ta'am* is absorbed into the pot. Thus, in our example, when water was cooked in the pot at 10:00, the non-kosher *ta'am* absorbed in the pot since 9:00 was already "1/24" *pagum*. However, that process will only happen while the *ta'am* is absorbed. But anytime the *ta'am* is out of the walls there is no degradation.

Therefore, (using our example) if water was cooked in the pot from 10:00 until 10:30, the process of *pegimah*/degradation was paused during that half hour since it was connected to (and possibly even extracted into) the water in the pot. The *pegimah* process starts once again at 10:30 and at that point it is already 1/24th *pagum*. Therefore, at 9:30 AM on Monday it will be *aino ben yomo*. The 24 hours of "*aino ben yomo*" are from 9:00-10:00 on Sunday (1 hour), and from 10:30 on Sunday until 9:30 on Monday (23 hours), with a "pause" from 10:00 until 10:30 on Sunday when the pot was hot.

However, it is noteworthy that (a) *Yad Yehuda* presents this position as the basis for disagreeing with rulings of *Shach*, *K'raisi U'plaisi* and others, and (b) this position is not recorded in earlier [or even later] *Poskim* which indicates that others did not assume this to be correct. Accordingly, Rav Belsky said that the common practice is not to be *machmir* for this opinion of *Yad Yehuda*.



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161. A pot was last used for non-kosher food at 9:00 AM on Sunday, then hot water was cooked in that pot from 10:00 until 10:30. Does the pot become *aino ben yomo* at 9:00 AM on Monday or at 9:30?

If it is a case where *ChaNaN* applies, the pot becomes *aino ben yomo* at 10:30

on Monday. If *ChaNaN* does not apply, the pot becomes *aino ben yomo* at 9:30 on Monday.

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