

MECHIRAT CHAMETZ FORM

SALE OF CHAMETZ

Jews are not allowed to own Chametz during Pesach. Where it is not possible to dispose of all Chametz, the Halachah has made provision for it to be sold to a non-Jew before Pesach.

The Beth Din undertakes this legal procedure on the morning of Erev Pesach. The Chametz that has been sold (for which ownership has legally changed hands) must be stored in a cabinet, cupboard or room that is locked on the morning of Erev Pesach by the time period for burning/disposal of Chametz applicable to your area, and which must remain inaccessible for the duration of Pesach. It is also important to label these areas clearly, stating that they contain Chametz which has been sold to a non-Jew.

NOTE: When selling Chametz, make a list of everywhere it might be – in the house, in a holiday home, in a caravan or garage, in an office or on business premises, and in vehicles. The selling of the Chametz should ideally be done **personally** through your local Rabbi. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SELL YOUR CHAMETZ THROUGH YOUR RABBI PERSONALLY, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN IT before **9:00 am** on the morning of Erev Pesach, **Monday the 10th April 2017**, to the Beth Din offices:

HOD CENTRE: 58 OAKLANDS ROAD
ORCHARDS, JOHANNESBURG

Alternatively, if necessary, one could

FAX the form to 010 214-2686

OR

e-mail it to the Beth Din at chametz@uos.co.za

OR

sell the Chametz via a link on the UOS website (www.uos.co.za)

NB: If Chametz is not sold before Pesach and remains in one's possession during Pesach, it becomes totally prohibited and may not be used even after Pesach. It must be destroyed.

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(Sale of Chametz)

To the Beth Din:

I hereby authorise you to sell to a non-Jew, on my behalf, all Chametz belonging to me that has not been disposed of, including Chametz that will be delivered to me any time from now until the end of Pesach. I hereby authorise you to also rent out the places where the Chametz is stored.

ADDRESS/ES:

SIGNED at _____ this _____ day of _____ 2017/5777

NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Please note that upon the authorisation of the sale it is customary to make a Tzedakah donation via the Beth Din Charity Fund details of which are:

BETH DIN
STANDARD BANK NORWOOD
BRANCH CODE: 004105
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 201664739
BENEFICIARY: UOS
REF: CHAMETZ AND **YOUR** SURNAME