# **BRIT MILA: WHICH DAY**

# **BRIT MILA: EIGHTH DAY**

#### **Brit Mila: When Is Eighth Day**

As long as the boy was born before sunset (even one minute before), this time period counts as the first day. Normally, the <u>brit mila</u> will be performed on the following week on that same day of the week (the baby's eighth day). If the baby was born between sunset and dark, consult a *rabbi* or *mohel*.

### **BRIT MILA: DELAYS**

### **BRIT MILA: DELAYS: HEALTH**

#### **Brit Mila: Delays: Health: Doctor and Mohel**

The <u>brit mila</u> may be done only if the baby is healthy by the opinions of both a doctor and a <u>mohel</u>. If either says not to do the *brit mila*, don't.

NOTE Even if the doctor says the baby is healthy, ask the <u>mohel</u> for his opinion since the <u>mohel</u> can still veto.

### BRIT MILA: DELAYS: SHABBAT/JEWISH FESTIVALS

## Brit Mila: Delays: Shabbat/Jewish Festivals: Special Births

SITUATION A baby boy is born by caesarean section. The eighth day after the birth is <u>Shabbat</u> or a <u>Jewish</u> festival.

WHAT TO DO The <u>brit mila</u> must be delayed to at least the next day following that <u>Shabbat</u> or <u>Jewish</u> <u>festival</u>. (If the <u>mohel</u> or doctor says the baby is not healthy enough for a <u>brit</u>, the <u>brit</u> must be delayed even more.)

#### **BRIT MILA: DELAYS: CAESAREAN BIRTH**

## **Brit Mila: Delays: Caesarean Birth**

Do not delay a <u>Shabbat brit mila</u> until Sunday in order to prevent Jews who do not keep <u>Shabbat</u> from driving or otherwise desecrating <u>Shabbat</u> to attend the <u>brit</u>.

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