

PASSOVER: FOODS AND SOAPS

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Cumin

Cumin is not used on *Passover* due to its similarity to kitniyot. This is a custom.

Flour (raw)

Raw flour is suspected of being chametz and therefore may not be owned during *Passover*.

Frozen Vegetables

Frozen vegetables, such as spinach or broccoli, may not be used on *Passover* unless certified as kosher for *Passover*.

Matza (Oat)

There is no question that oat matza properly made and supervised according to Jewish law is kosher for eating on *Passover*.

Matza (Unopened)

Kosher for *Passover* matza in unopened packages stays kosher for *Passover* and may be used in subsequent years.

Quinoa

Quinoa is not chametz because it does not ferment without adding yeast and it is not one of the original Five Grains.

Seltzer

Plain seltzer (with no additives other than water and carbon dioxide) that has been produced before *Passover* does not need kosher supervision.

If produced during *Passover*, it might need kosher supervision.

Water (Plain)

Plain water (in the USA) never needs kosher supervision, not even for *Passover*.

Yeast

Yeast is not normally chametz but may not be used on *Passover*.

PASSOVER: SOAP/TOILETRIES

Dish Soap

Dish soap made from kosher ingredients but without *Passover* supervision may still be a problem on *Passover* due to possible alcoholic ingredients.

Chametz Soap

You may not use (including you may not ingest even tiny amounts of) soap that contains chametz on *Passover*. But since it is not fit for a dog to eat, you do not need to sell it.

Toothbrush

You do not need a new toothbrush for *Passover* as long as it is clean.

Toothpaste for Passover

Toothpaste does not need to be specially made kosher for *Passover*.

Laundry Starch

You may use non-chametz starch on clothing during *Passover* but not on tablecloths, napkins, or other items that might contact food.

REASON The starch might be kitniyot.