Tum'a and Drying Hands before Handwashing

To wash hands from *tum'a* or all other purposes, you do not need to dry your hands first--except before washing for bread, and then ONLY if the person who washed hands before you:

- Did not use a *revi'it* of water (per hand) to wash his/her hands, AND
- Only poured once on each hand.

In sum, you almost never need to dry your hands before washing them!

However, if the person before you had *tum'a* on his or her hands and poured only once, the *tum'a* will be transferred from his/her hands to the cup.

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