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PRODUCTS THAT DO NOT NEED PASSOVER CERTIFICATION

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PART I: FOOD PRODUCTS

The following list is based on information provided by national Kashrut organizations (primarily cRc, but also OU Kosher and Star-K among others). Please contact Rabbi Isaacs at the Vaad office or via email isaacs@kosherphoenix.org with any questions.

THIS DOCUMENT OFTEN INCLUDES DIVERGENT OPINIONS: Please note that this list indicates when the status of an item is disputed by presenting all relevant opinions.

Please read carefully and pay close attention to the details specified for each item.

1. **Baby food:** Gerber Carrots, Squash: with OU symbol ([OU](#))
2. **Baking soda**
3. **Cocoa** powder (100% pure, not Hershey's Special Dark (OU) and not processed in Europe)
4. **Coconut products:**
 1. Virgin oil: all OU certified; Kosher Check: Trader Joe's with BCK symbol; Star-K: Kirkland Signature Organic Coconut Oil with Star-K stating "Product of Philippines" on label
 2. Shredded coconut: Any unflavored, unsweetened ([cRc](#))
 3. Coconut milk: See milk substitutes below
5. **Coffee**
 1. Instant
 - a. Folger's unflavored, even decaffeinated (OU)
 - b. Nescafe Taster's Choice; VIA: regular only (OU)

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2. Beans, ground or whole bean, Plain, unflavored, but the grinder must be clean (cRc)
 - a. Regular (non-decaffeinated): Any
 - b. Decaffeinated: Only the following OU products: 1850 by Folgers, Brooklyn Coffee House, Brooklyn Roasting Company, Ellis, Folgers, Hena, Parker House/Pinnacle, White House/Pinnacle
3. Other
 - a. OU certified K-Cups, Vue Cups, Bolt Packs, and Single Serve: unflavored, regular only
6. **Eggs:** Whole and raw, including pasteurized (cRc); the OU has several egg products that don't need KFP certification, see bit.ly/20_noOU.
7. **Fish**
 1. Fresh – (cRc: After washing it well with cold water (in a non-KFP sink, Star-K), if no KFP certified is available)
 2. Frozen
 - a. Kirkland Signature – OU certified
 - i. Skinless Boneless Wild Sockeye Salmon Portions
 - ii. Skinless Boneless Farmed Atlantic Salmon Portions
 - iii. Tilapia Lions
 - b. Costco – OU certified: Tilapia
 - c. Member's Mark – OU certified: All-Natural Tilapia
 - d. 365 Everyday Value – OU certified: Atlantic Salmon
 - e. Regal – OU certified: Tilapia
 - f. For several other brands, see bit.ly/20_noOU.
 - g. Other frozen, raw fish:
 - i. Star-K: If KFP approved fish is not available or it was already purchased, it should be washed, ideally before Pesach, over a non-KFP sink (cRc does not explicitly permit this)

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3. Canned: Pillar Rock salmon ([cRc](#))

8. Fruit

1. Fresh

2. Frozen (if not sweetened or cooked and has no sensitive additives; sweetened with sugar is OK ([cRc](#)))

3. Dried

a. Raisins:

i. OU/Star-K: not oil treated is OK

ii. cRc: Requires KFP certification

b. Whole apricots with Star-K: Delizia, Empire, Happy Apricots, Natural Food Source, Sunny Fruit, Sunsational Fruits, Sunrose

4. Coconut: see coconut section

9. **Honey**: All Vaad certified honey that has a Vaad symbol printed on the label is approved for Passover. Common brands: Kirkland, Crockett's

10. Juice

1. Frozen concentrate - 100% pure (no sweeteners, additives, preservatives, or enrichments):

a. orange juice (cRc, Star-K)

b. white grapefruit:

i. Star-K: Any

ii. [cRc](#): Requires supervision

c. Tangerine: Citrus World, Inc., with OU

2. ReaLemon (Lemon juice reconstituted) (OU)

3. ReaLime (OU)

11. **Milk** (If possible: purchase KFP or, if not, buy before Passover)

12. Milk alternatives:

1. **Lactaid** including generic brands ([cRc](#)) (Must purchase before Passover)

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2. **Almond milk:** If no KFP products are readily available, Almond Breeze Original (shelf-stable non-refrigerated only) may be used under the following conditions:
 - a. Star-K (p. 24): Acceptable for someone with dietary restrictions or is ill (in 2019, OU permitted only for children with dietary restrictions)
 - b. OU: Only acceptable for the infirm (ou.org)
 - c. Ideally purchase before Passover
 - d. Use segregated utensils
13. **Meat** – fresh raw or frozen kosher meat or poultry unless it is ground or processed (see the OU guide for more details, including several ground options)
14. **Nuts**, when free of BHA and BHT, and raw (not blanched or roasted):
 1. Pecans:
 - a. Star-K (and OU):
 - i. Whole and half are OK without KFP supervision
 - ii. Pieces or midget need to be KFP
 - b. cRc: All shelled pecans need to be KFP
 2. Other types of whole, chopped and slivered: All raw nuts
 - a. Label states that it is processed in a plant that processes any chometz or kitniyot foods:
 - i. Star-K: Must be certified KFP (there are several brands that are listed in the OU Passover Guide (bit.ly/20_noOU) in spite of an allergen warning that would be an exception to this requirement)
 - ii. cRc: OK without KFP supervision
 - b. Label does not state that it is processed in a plant that processes any chometz or kitniyot foods:
 - i. Star-K/cRc: OK without KFP supervision
 3. Ground:

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- a. OU certified Trader Joe's Just Almond Meal (& other OU certified brands, see OU Passover Guide (bit.ly/20_noOU))
 - b. Costco/Kirkland almond flour with a K ORC symbol ([cRc](#))
4. Peanuts: many communities consider peanuts to be *kitniyot*
15. **Oil:**
 1. Unflavored extra virgin olive oil:
 - a. cRc: all
 - b. Star-K: Only kosher certified, Passover approved products or other specific approved Star-K certified brands (see Star-K product guide)
 2. Avocado oil: Chosen Foods (OU)
 3. Grapeseed oil: Pompeian (Star-K)
 4. Cooking spray: Pompeian Avocado Oil, Grapeseed Oil, and Extra Virgin Olive Oil (Star-K)
 5. Coconut oil: See coconut section
16. **Salt:**
 1. All varieties of **True Salt** sea salts with or without a Vaad symbol are KFP
 2. Any Non-iodized (even if it includes magnesium carbonate or sodium silicate, but not if it contains dextrose or polysorbates)
17. **Spices:** whole (cRc; if not *kitniyot*)
18. **Sugar:**
 1. Pure white granulated (cane or beet with no dextrose added – Star-K)
 2. Brown – any OU product ([OU](#))
19. **Tea**
 1. Lipton regular/decaffeinated unflavored tea **bags** (OU)

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2. cRc: Pure, unflavored, caffeinated black, green, or white **leaves** or bags (Star-K and OU only approve specific brands, see their lists for details)
3. Nestea instant regular unflavored (OU)
20. **Tequila**: see www.kosherphoenix.org for current info
21. **Vegetable wash**: Fit (OU)
22. **Vegetables**
 1. Whole – Fresh
 2. Baby carrots, raw:
 - a. cRc: Any that do not contain sensitive additives
 - b. Star-K: Only unpeeled (see Star-K list for exception)
 3. Pre-cut:
 - a. cRc: Pre-washed salad bags, shredded and sliced carrots, shredded cabbage and broccoli slaw are acceptable for Passover if they do not contain kitniot or additives and are purchased before Pesach. The produce must be washed and checked for insects when applicable.
 - b. Star-K: requires KFP certification
23. **Vinegar**: Roland Balsamic: with Star-K
24. **Water Products**
 1. Bottled water (including mineral or fluorinated, if it doesn't contain vitamins, flavors, citrate or zinc lactate. Exception: 5-gallon containers (since they are reused))
 2. Unflavored seltzer:
 - a. Star-K: OK (if no citrates are listed)
 - b. cRc: Requires KFP certification
 3. Flavored seltzer:

Vintage Seltzer with Triangle-K P: Natural Mandarin Orange, Natural Lemon, Natural Lime, Natural Lemon Lime, Natural Cherry, Natural Raspberry (Star-K)
 4. Soda Stream:

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- a. Carbon Dioxide Cylinders (OU)
 - b. Gas Filling (OU)
5. Bagged ice

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PART II: NON-FOOD PRODUCTS

- Aluminum foil
- Aluminum baking pans
- Baby ointments
- Bags (paper or plastic)
- Body wash
- Bowl and tub cleaners
- Candles
- Cardboard
- Carpet cleaners
- Charcoal (cRc: includes “plain,” easy-light, apple, hickory, and mesquite)
- Cheese cloths
- Coffee filters (cRc)
- Conditioners
- Copper and metal cleaners
- Cork
- Cosmetics (some are strict regarding lipstick and lip balm)
- Crockpot liners
- Cupcake holders
- Cups (paper, plastic or Styrofoam)
- Cutlery, plastic (cRc)
- Deodorants
- Detergents
- Dishwashing Detergents
- Drain openers
- Fabric protectors
- Furniture polish
- Glass cleaners
- Hair gels, sprays and mousse
- Hair removers and treatments
- Insecticides
- Isopropyl alcohol
- Jewelry polish
- Laundry detergents
- Lotions
- Mouthwash – see oral hygiene
- Napkins (paper)
- Oral hygiene products (toothpaste, mouthwash) – some are strict
- Oven cleaners
- Paper towels
- Perfumes (OU; cRc: depends on ingredients and/or country of origin)
- Plastic containers
- Plates (paper, plastic or Styrofoam)
- Scouring pads and powders
- Shampoos
- Shaving cream and gel
- Shaving lotion
- Silver polish
- Skin cream
- Soaps
- Suntan lotion
- Talcum powder (100% talc)
- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Toothpaste – see oral hygiene
- Water filters
- Wax paper – Reynolds Cut-Rite (Star-K)

Parchment paper/panliners:

1. cRc: KFP required
2. OU: See
3. Star-K: Most Star-K brands are approved without a P (see Star-K list)

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