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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:

1. Gerber Carrots, Squash: with OU symbol ([OU](#))

2. First Choice Baby Food Applesauce, Carrots, Pears, and Sweet Potatoes: with OU symbol ([OU](#))

2. Baking soda

3. Cocoa powder (100% pure, not Hershey's Special Dark (OU) and not processed in Europe. Star-K adds a stipulation: Unless the label states that it is processed in a plant that processes kitniyos or chometz.)

4. Coconut products:

1. Virgin oil: all OU certified; Kosher Check: Trader Joe's with BCK symbol

2. Shredded coconut: Any pure, unflavored, and unsweetened ([cRc](#))

5. Coffee

1. Instant

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- a. Folger's unflavored, even decaffeinated (OU)
 - b. Nescafe Taster's Choice - Regular, House Blend, and Gourmet French Roast: unflavored, not decaffeinated only: (OU)
 - c. Starbuck's VIA instant – plain, Veranda Blend Blonde Roast, Pike Place Roast Medium Roast Coffee, Medium Roast Coffee - Colombia, Dark Roast Coffee - Italian Roast, House Blend Medium Roast Coffee, Dark Roast Coffee - French Roast: unflavored, not decaffeinated only (OU)
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, Bestpresso, Brooklyn Coffee House, Brooklyn Roasting Company, Ellis, Folgers, Hena, Parker House/Pinnacle, Viaggio Espresso, 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 do not need KFP certification, see oupassover.org.
7. **Fish**
1. Fresh – (cRc: After washing it well with cold water. Star-K: in a non-KFP sink; if no KFP certified fish 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 Loins
 - b. Costco – OU certified: Tilapia

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- 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 oupassover.org.
 - 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)
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, Great Lakes, Happy Apricots, Natural Food Source
- 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

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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 milk** including generic brands ([cRc](#)) (Must purchase before Passover)
 2. **Almond, rice, and soy milk:** If no KFP products are readily available, Almond Breeze Original, Rice Dream Classic Original, and Soy Dream Original Enriched may be used under the following conditions:
 - a. Shelf-stable non-refrigerated only
 - b. OU: Only acceptable for the infirm ([ou.org](#))
 - c. Star-K (p. 24): Acceptable for someone who is ill or has dietary restrictions, should ideally purchase before Passover, and use segregated utensils.
13. **Meat** – fresh raw or frozen kosher meat or poultry unless it is ground or processed (see [oupassover.org](#) for more details, including several ground options)
14. **Nuts**, when free of BHA and BHT, and raw (not blanched or roasted):
 1. Pecans:
 - a. Whole and half
 - i. Label states that it is processed in a plant that processes any chometz or kitniyot foods: Star-K: Must be certified KFP (there are several brands that are listed in the OU Passover Guide ([oupassover.org](#)) in spite of an allergen warning that would be an exception to this requirement)
 - ii. Label does not state that it is processed in a plant that processes any chometz or kitniyot foods:

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1. Star-K: OK even if not labeled KFP
 2. cRc: Needs to be certified KFP
 - b. Pieces or midget: need to be KFP (Star-K)
 2. Other types of whole, chopped and slivered: All raw nuts (even if steam pasturized)
 - 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 (oupassover.org) 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/nut flour:
 - a. OU certified Trader Joe's Just Almond Meal (& other OU certified brands, see OU Passover Guide (oupassover.org))
 - b. Costco/Kirkland almond flour with a K ORC symbol ([cRc](#))
 - c. Blue Diamond almond flour bearing an OK ([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), Pompeian (Star-K)
 3. Grapeseed oil: Pompeian (Star-K)

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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)
 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. **Vegetables**
 1. Whole – Fresh
 2. Baby carrots, raw:
 - a. cRc: Any that do not contain sensitive additives
 - b. Star-K only allows 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

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Pesach. The produce must be washed and checked for insects when applicable.

b. Star-K: requires KFP certification

22. **Vinegar:** Roland Balsamic: with Star-K

23. **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. OU: OK (Star-K: 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:

a. Carbon Dioxide Cylinders (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
- Plastic wrap
- 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 oupassover.org
3. Star-K: Most Star-K brands are approved without a P (see [Star-K list](#))

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