

Ohel effect of Oven, Migdal, Kaveret, Man and Animal
Ref: Sefer Taharah, Hilchot Tumat Met, Chapters 18–19

 **Reminder**

Pack Impurity of Vessels



| | Oven | <i>Migdal</i> – Large wooden – vessels greater than 40 seah | Beehive like (<i>Kaveret</i>) | Man (or animal) |
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| Lying on ground at entrance of building opening facing outward with impurity under or on top. | | | Inner space pure. Vessel directly in line with impurity above or below in impure. Building stays pure. | Building becomes impure when man leans out from window over impurity (or if impurity was above him) A person transmits impurity and does not intervene |
| Impurity in building and vessel opening at doorway facing out | | Impure inside closet because in trying to escape house it enters closet | Only building impure. Vessel stays pure – inside, above it and below it | |
| Impurity in the vessel which is at doorway and opening facing out | Oven is impure but house is pure (because oven is built into ground and therefore considered separate from house) | House is pure because vessel intervenes | Everything is impure i.e. vessel, above and below vessel, and whole house (walls of container do not prevent spread to building) | |
| Vessel at doorway with opening facing outwards now raised 1 tefach with impurity underneath it or above it | | | Space of vessel stays pure but a vessel directly in line with the impurity. Building becomes impure and everything below or above the vessel | |

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| Vessel lost status of vessel by becoming damaged or filled in and was raised 1 tefach from ground and there was impurity below (considered an <i>ohel</i> of wood which does not contract impurity [as opposed to an <i>ohel</i> of fabric] and therefore its inner space does not become impure) | | Similar | Building and space under vessel are impure, but inner space of vessel and above it outside of building remain pure. | |
| As above but impurity inside vessel | | Similar | Inner space becomes impure. Rest pure | |
| As above but impurity above vessel | | Similar | Only above vessel to Heavens is impure | |
| Vessel at entrance but opening faces inside and is intact and hollow and impurity is below or above it | | | Same as above i.e. it is impure directly above or below impurity. Inner space pure unless there is a vessel directly in line with impurity | |
| Vessel now raised 1 tefach | | | Building and under vessel become 1 <i>ohel</i> i.e. whole building becomes impure and everything under the vessel. Inner space and above is impure because a vessel or human over an impurity becomes impure and does not intervene | Human over an impurity, like a vessel becomes impure and does not intervene |
| Vessel loses its status as vessel and raised 1 tefach and impurity below | | Similar | Everything impure except outside building above the vessel. This is because this vessel intervenes (because of entrance rest connected) | |
| As above and impurity in building | | Similar | Same | |
| As above and impurity in vessel | | Similar | Same | |

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| As above and impurity above vessel | | Similar | Above to Heavens impure. Space of vessel, under it and building remain pure. Because it is not a vessel and therefore intervenes. | |
| 'Vessel' on ground at entrance and facing inwards, and impurity below | | Similar | Impure below to depths | |
| Impurity above 'vessel' | | Similar | Impure above to Heavens | |
| Impurity within 'vessel' or in building | | Similar | Inner space and building impure because connected by opening | |
| Vessel inside building and opening is less than 1 tefach from ceiling and impurity is in vessel | | Building impure. Because nature of impurity is to depart | Building impure because impurity will force way to get out | |
| As above but impurity in building | | Closet stays pure | Inside container stays pure. Because nature of impurity is to depart rather than enter. Specially that there is less than 1 tefach | |
| Vessel at entrance with opening less than 1 tefach from lintel and impurity within | | | Building stays pure because now impurity escapes from building | |
| If impurity was in the building | | | Vessel remains pure because impurity escapes from building | |
| Vessel on side in open with impurity below it or above | | | Everything directly above or below is impure. Inner space pure except a vessel directly in line | |
| Raised 1 tefach with impurity below (similarly if impurity above) | | | Everything below is impure. Cavity is pure except what is directly in line. Similarly above | |
| Impurity inside | | | Everything impure i.e. above, below and inside because <i>kelim</i> convey and do not intervene | |

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| If vessel loses its status and impurity below | | Same | Below to depths impure | |
| Impurity above it | | Same | Above to Heavens impure | |
| Impurity inside | | Same | Only inside impure | |
| This 'vessel' raised 1 tefach with impurity below | | Considered as <i>ohel</i> and not as <i>keli</i> and therefore intervenes | Only space below impure | |
| Vessel in open and resting on its base with impurity below, above or inside | | | Pierces to Heavens and below to depths (<i>retzutzah</i>) | |
| Vessel now raised 1 tefach | | | Everything becomes impure above, below and inside because a <i>kli</i> contracts and does not intervene | |
| Vessel now loses status | | | It becomes an <i>ohel</i> and will now intervene | |