

Separation Distances in Cities and for Businesses to Prevent Damage

Ref: *Sefer Kinyan, Hilchot Shechenim, Chapter 10*

	Distance	Possible damage
Trees surrounding city	25 amah	Aesthetic appearance
Carob and wild fig trees from city	50 amah	Aesthetic appearance (has many branches)
Threshing floor from city	50 amah	Wind carrying the straw
Empty space around threshing floor if it is in inhabited area	50 amah	Wind carrying the straw
Graves from city	50 amah	Difficulty for <i>Kohanim</i>
Leather works from city (should be sited to east of city in Eretz Yisrael due to wind being warm and reducing damage of odour)	50 amah	Odour
Between soaking flax and vegetables	3 tefach	Damage is indirect when there is a distance of at least 3 tefach
Between leeks and onions	3 tefach	Damage is indirect when there is a distance of at least 3 tefach
Between mustard and bees	3 tefach	Damage is indirect when there is a distance of at least 3 tefach
Water pouring from loft into house below	Plaster in ceiling	If no intervening material which absorbs, damage will be direct
Tree at border of two properties	4 amah or a wall in between	Damage indirect. However, neighbour may cut away the roots entering his field.
Distance between 2 neighbours' vines in Eretz Yisrael	4 amah	To allow work around the vineyard
Distance between 2 neighbours' vines in Diaspora	2 amah	To allow work around the vineyard (smaller ploughshares)
Distance between vines and other trees or between (other) trees anywhere	4 amah	