

Shabbat – Definition of Chayav (Liable for punishment)

Ref: *Sefer Zemanim, Hilchot Shabbat, Chapter 1*

Definitions:

Chayav (liable, and punishment could be:)

- *Karet* (sudden death), if he performs a forbidden labour as a conscious act of defiance.
- *Skilah* (stoning), if he was warned by two witnesses who were present, and he disobeyed.
- *Korban Chatat* (Sin offering), if he performed a labour by accident.



Patur (exempt) – from above but actions still forbidden. *Derabanan*

Assur (disallowed) *Derabanan* also

Mutar (allowed)

Kavanah

Reminder:

Pack on Punishment for Sefer Zemanim



	<i>Chayav</i> (Liable) (But still punishable <i>Derabanan</i> even if not <i>chayav</i>)	Explanation
Performs entire act from beginning to end of forbidden labour (minimum measure or more) intentionally	✓	
Performs labour partially with intent and partially unintentionally	×	
Performs act without intention and it is unclear whether a forbidden labour will eventuate.	×	e.g. Drags a bed and bed makes a furrow (making a furrow is forbidden)
Performs act without intention but a forbidden labour will certainly eventuate.	✓	e.g. cuts of head of chicken to use head for a toy – <i>psik resha</i> . For sure the chicken will die.
Intended one forbidden labour, but another forbidden labour resulted.	×	Intent was not carried out
Intended to do a forbidden act on one item but by accident did same act on different item.	✓	e.g. Put out one candle instead of other.
Wanted to pick a black fig, and instead picked a white	×	Intent was not carried out
Carried out forbidden act more effectively than intended	✓	Intention achieved

Carried out forbidden act less effectively than intended	x	Intention not achieved
Did not finish forbidden act intended but completed the shiur needed to incur liability	✓	e.g. He wrote the first 2 letters of an intended word. He is chayav even though his intention was not completed
Two people do a forbidden labour together where each could have done it himself	x	e.g. Carrying a light article together
Two people perform this labour where they were not able to perform individually	✓	e.g. carrying a very heavy article together
Forbidden labour carried out destructively	x	