

Jews are not allowed to own Chametz during Pesach. Where it is not possible to dispose of all Chametz, the Halachah has made provision for it to be sold to a non-Jew before Pesach.

The Beth Din undertakes this legal procedure on the morning of Erev Pesach. The Chametz that has been sold (for which ownership has legally changed hands) must be stored in a cabinet, cupboard or room that is locked on the morning of Erev Pesach by the time period for burning/disposal of Chametz applicable to your area (see date/time on page 13), and which must remain inaccessible for the duration of Pesach. It is also important to label these areas clearly, stating that they contain Chametz which has been sold to a non-Jew.

NOTE: When selling Chametz, make a list of everywhere it might be – in the house, in a holiday home, in a caravan or garage, in an office or on business premises, and in vehicles. The selling of the Chametz should ideally be done **personally** through your local Rabbi. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO SELL YOUR CHAMETZ THROUGH YOUR RABBI PERSONALLY, YOU MAY COME TO THE UOS OFFICES TO SIGN THE FORMS FOR THE SALE OF CHAMETZ OR ALTERNATIVELY COMPLETE THE FORM ON PAGE 96 AND RETURN IT before 9:00 am on the morning of Erev Pesach, Friday 3 April, to the Beth Din offices:

**HOD CENTRE: 58 OAKLANDS ROAD  
ORCHARDS, JOHANNESBURG**

Alternatively, if necessary, one could  
FAX the form to **011 640 7528/011 485 4578/086 610 3472**  
**OR**  
e-mail it to the Beth Din at [chametz@uos.co.za](mailto:chametz@uos.co.za)  
**OR**  
sell the Chametz via a link on the UOS website ([www.uos.co.za](http://www.uos.co.za))

**NB: If Chametz is not sold before Pesach and remains in one's possession during Pesach, it becomes totally prohibited and may not be used even after Pesach. It must be destroyed.**

## SALE OF CHAMETZ

To the Beth Din:

I hereby authorise you to sell to a non-Jew, on my behalf, all Chametz belonging to me that has not been disposed of, including Chametz that will be delivered to me any time from now until the end of Pesach. I hereby authorise you to also rent out the places where the Chametz is stored.

ADDRESS/ES:

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SIGNED at \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2015/5775

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that upon the authorisation of the sale it is customary to make a Tzedakah donation to the Beth Din:

**BETH DIN  
STANDARD BANK NORWOOD  
BRANCH CODE: 004105  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 201664739  
BENEFICIARY: UOS  
REF: CHAMETZ AND SURNAME**