



SALE OF CHAMETZ

The Torah prohibits us from owning any *chametz* during the festival of Pesach. In principle a person has the option of consuming all his *chametz* before Pesach, giving it away, destroying it or renouncing ownership over it. In practice, it is often not possible to dispose of all the *chametz* before Pesach, nor can a person be relied upon genuinely to renounce ownership of a significant amount of *chametz*. Moreover a person may have *chametz* in his possession of which he is unaware. As a response to this situation the practice of "Selling the *chametz*" began nearly two thousand years ago during the time of the Mishnah. Originally each Jew would sell his own *chametz* to a non-Jew and there would be an exchange of goods and money.

Nowadays, in order to ensure that all the legal requirements of a contract of sale are satisfied, people normally make the Rabbi their agent for selling *chametz* to a non-Jew. After Pesach the Rabbi buys back the *chametz* though this is not made a specific condition of the sale. It should be noted that *chametz* which remains in one's possession during Pesach is prohibited for use afterwards. In order to ensure that no *chametz* remains in your possession over Pesach, fill in the form below.

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DELEGATION OF ATTORNEY FOR THE SALE OF CHAMETZ

I, the undersigned, fully empower and permit Rabbi Ephraim Lever to act in my place and stead and on my behalf to sell all CHAMETZ as defined by Torah and Rabbinic law, (including doubtful Chametz, mixtures of Chametz, inedible Chametz of the sort which tends to adhere to the inner surface of pots, pans, cooking utensils of all kinds (knowingly or unknowingly), especially that which is located at the following premises:

ADDRESSES (home, office and any place for whose contents you are responsible)

1. BLOCK LETTERS
2. PLEASE

up to and including Tuesday 7th April 2020 Rabbi Lever has the full right to sell and lease by transactions as he deems fit and proper for such time as he believes necessary in connection with all detailed terms and forms as explained in the general contract which will be signed by Rabbi Lever to sell the Chametz. This authorization is made part of that contract. Also I do give the said Rabbi Lever full power and authority to appoint a proxy in his place with full power to sell and to lease as provided herein.

The above given power is in conformity with all Torah and Rabbinical regulations and laws and is also in accordance with the laws of the State of Victoria.

And to this do I hereby affix my signature on this the day of April 2020/5780

SIGNATURE NAME (Block letters)

Approximate value of the *chametz* to be sold \$

Complete & return this form by either email mhc@mhc.org.au or post PO Box 372 South Yarra 3141, to the Synagogue before Monday 6th April.