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# DUCHKA D'SAKINA Part Two

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**SHULCHAN** Aruch (Y.D. 96:1) teaches us that if a radish is cut with a *fleishig* knife, the radish becomes *fleishig*. The *duchka d'sakina* (the pressure of the knife) combines with the *charifus* of the radish to not only cause a *bliya* into the radish, but also to draw out a full measure of *ta'am*. If one cooked the radish with milk, it would become *basar b'chalav*.

Nevertheless, Rebbi Akiva Eiger (Y.D. 89:3) writes that although the radish is considered *fleishig*, if one ate the radish there is no requirement to wait six hours before eating *milchigs*. Presumably, this is because the two reasons why we require waiting six hours do not apply in this case.

- Although there is a meaty taste in the radish, it is not to the extent of eating actual meat. Only if one eats actual meat, is there a *meshichus ta'am* (the taste of meat lingers) in one's mouth for six hours.
- ▶ The *limud* of "*Ha'basar o'denu bein ha'shinayim*" (Bamidbar 11:33 the meat was still between their teeth) teaches us that meat between teeth is still considered meat. This does not apply to the absorbed *ta'am* of meat in a radish.

Although these reasons also do not apply to any "*tavshil shel basar*" (food cooked with meat – e.g. a potato from a meat stew) and yet the Rama writes that the *minhag* is to wait 6 hours after eating such a food, presumably Rebbi Akiva Eiger would hold that the *minhag* was only accepted in regards to a *tavshil shel basar*, since it can be more easily confused with actual meat.

#### IF ONE CUT A RADISH WITH A MILCHIG KNIFE, MAY IT BE EATEN WITHIN 6 HOURS OF HAVING EATEN MEAT? (THERE IS A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION, AND LICHATCHILA ONE SHOULD BE MACHMIR.)

The Pri Migadim (O.C. 494:6) writes explicitly that if one ate meat, they must wait 6 hours before eating a radish cut with a *milchig* knife. It is possible that Rebbi Akiva Eiger would agree in this case as well. That is because; this case is similar to the question of whether one is permitted to eat a *tavshil shel gevina* (food cooked with cheese) after having eaten meat. The Yad Yehuda writes that

it is clear from the *poskim* that this is not permitted, not only as a *chumra*, but *m'ikar ha'din*. Since a radish cut with a *milchig knife* (one *nesinas ta'am*) is comparable to a *tavshil shel gevina* (one *nesinas ta'am*), it would seem that in this case all would agree that it would not be permitted.

However, Sefer Davar Charif (pg. 11) writes that Rav Elyashiv zt"l held that *m'ikar ha'din* it is permitted, and it is only a *chumra* to be *machmir*. Presumably, Rav Elyashiv held that one cannot compare a radish cut with a *milchig* knife to a *tavshil shel gevina*. A *tavshil shel gevina* has a complete *nesinas ta'am* of *milchigs*. Actual milk is absorbed into the food. This type of *nesinas ta'am* cannot develop into a *nat bar nat*. If a *tavshil shel gevina* would be placed into a *pareve* pot, that pot would become dairy. However, the radish, although it also has only one *nesinas ta'am*, it is only a partial *nesinas ta'am*. If the radish were cooked in a *pareve* pot, as we will see in the next paragraph, according to most *pashim*, the pot would remain *pareve*.

#### IF A FLEISHIG RADISH WERE CUT AGAIN WITH A PAREVE KNIFE, DOES THE KNIFE ALSO BECOME FLEISHIG? (THERE IS A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION, AND LICHATCHILA ONE SHOULD BE MACHMIR.)

There is a machlokes Achronim as to whether the fleishig ta'am that is absorbed in the radish can transfer back to a pareve knife. According to the Magen Avrohom (451:31), if a pareve knife is used to cut a radish that was previously cut by a fleishig knife, the pareve knife will become fleishig as well. If this knife is then used to cut a subsequent radish that radish will become fleishig and this sequence will continue. However, the Evan Ha'ozer (YD 96:3) disagrees. He explains that although a davar charif has the ability to draw out of a kli all of the ta'am that was absorbed, it does not have the ability to transfer into a kli all of its ta'am. Therefore, what the pareve knife absorbs will be a nat bar nat, and the knife will remain pareve. There was a partial transfer of ta'am from the meat to the knife (one nesinas ta'am). There is a full transfer of ta'am from the meat into the radish (still only one nesinas ta'am), and then again only a partial transfer of ta'am from the radish to the pareve knife (nat bar nat).

One can infer from the Shach (YD 122:2) that he agrees with the Evan Ha'ozer. This is also the *psak* of the Chavas Da'as (96:6), Yad Yehuda, Rebbi Akiva Eiger and most *poskim*. However, since the Mishnah Berurah (451:90) does quote the Magen Avrohom, it is certainly proper to be *machmir*.

This *machlokes* is only relevant if the knife was *fleishig* (or *milchig*). However, if a non-kosher knife was used to cut a *davar charif* and then this *davar charif* was cut again with a second knife, everyone would agree that the second knife would become non-kosher as well. Even according to the Evan Ha'ozer that this is only a *nat bar nat*, still it would be *nat bar nat d'issura*. Even a third or fourth *nesinas ta'am* (*nat bar nat bar nat bar nat...*) would be *assur* as well.

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#### DOES DUCHKA D'SAKINA APPLY TO A CUTTING BOARD?

There is a disagreement among Achronim as to whether a cutting board will also receive *bliyos* from a *davar charif*. Teshuvas Nishmas Chaim (95) says that it is *pashut* that the cutting board does not receive any *bliyos*; however Chachmos Adom (56:2) is *machmir*. Therefore, Rav Belsky zt"l held that lichatchila we should be *machmir* and *kasher* a cutting board that was used to cut *issur* that is *charif*.

#### IF A RADISH WERE CUT WITH A FLEISHIG KNIFE ON A PAREVE CUTTING BOARD, DOES THE CUTTING BOARD BECOME FLEISHIG?

In this case there are two considerations. In order to view the cutting board as becoming *fleishig*, one would need to assume two *chumros*. One would need to be *machmir* like the Chochmos Adom that a cutting board is considered *duchka d'sakina*, and one would need to be *machmir* like the Magen Avrohom that the *fleishigs ta'am* that is absorbed into the radish can transfer to the cutting board. Since both of these assumptions are *chumros*, although this should not be done lichatchila, if *bidi'eved* this happens, if it is difficult to *kasher*, one may be *maikel*.



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