

Our Shiur began with the גמרא referring to the Halacha mentioned in the Mishnah;

- מים כדי לשוף בהם את הקילור

The minimum amount of water to be שבת for carrying on שבת is the amount that you mix with a substance called קילור to make medicine for the eye.

אביי says that as a general rule; כל מילתא דשכיחא ולא שכיחא אזול רבנן בתר דשכיחא לקולא – If something has more than one use - one common, one uncommon -we figure the minimum amount based on the common use. But if something has two common uses we go by the stricter measurement.

To example, ף - wine, אכיחא רפואתו לא שכיחא - יין - wine, שתייתו שכיחא רפואתו לא שכיחא - It is commonly used for drinking, and sometimes to mix as a medicine, therefore the minimum is based on drinking. If one carries less a רביעית, the minimum significant drink, he is not □, even though that amount can be used for making medicine.

The same holds true for חלב - milk.

On the other hand, דבש – honey is commonly used for both eating and healing, but you use a lesser amount for healing than eating. The Chachamim were strict, and said that one who carries even the lesser amount used for healing is .חייב

But the גמרא asks,

אלא מים – what about water?

The משנה says we measure its minimum by the amount of water used to make medicine, but that is not its common use; it's mostly used for drinking?











The גמרא gives two possible answers. שנו אמר בגלילא שנו is talking about people in the Galilee, who do use water just as often for medicine as for

רבא אמר אפילו תימא בשאר מקומות - Water is commonly used for medicinal mixtures everywhere, because when other liquids are used, it leaves a slight film on the eye.

The Mishnah next said ושאר על המשקין ברביעית - For all other drinkable liquids, the minimum amount is a רביעית.

The גמרא brings a ברייתא which mentions other minimum measurements for D7 - blood.

Just like in our משנה, these amounts are smaller than the standard רביעית, but are considered significant for these substances.

Then the בר"תא says:

במה דברים אמורים במוציא - These minimum amounts are for a general case of carrying.

אבל במצניע כל שהוא – But if one stored away an even smaller amount, and then carries it, he is הייב, because he has shown that he considers it significant.

ר' שמעון בן אלעזר - adds, that once an item has been stored it becomes significant, and anyone who carries it out will be

But רבי שמעון argues and says; במה דברים אמורים במצניע -Which means; Generally all liquids are ברביעית. However when stored, that is when the minimum amounts mentioned in the ברייתא and משנה apply.

אמעון holds one can never be הייב for carrying less than these amounts, even if he stored it, because less than these minimum amounts do not become significant even if stored.

The next משנה continues with minimum amounts for other items, that one would be arried it out. Zugt di משנה:

- המוציא חבל כדי לעשות אוזן לקופה

For rope - the שיעור is in the amount that can make a handle for a basket.

- גמי כדי לעשות תלאי לנפה ולכברה

For reeds, the שיעור is in the amount that will make a handle for a sifter, which is lighter, and needs less material for its handle.

The Gemara explains that rope was not used, because it would damage the side of the sifter.













The Gemara cites a Braisa which among other things lists מוכין כדי לעשות כדור קטן כאגוז -

For cotton or other soft materials - The שיעור is in the amount it takes to make a small ball the size of a walnut.

The Gemara returns to the Mishnah

- נייר כדי לכתוב עליו קשר מוכסין

For blank paper, the שיעור is the size you need to write a tax collector's receipt. This is the smallest significant use you could have for a blank paper.

The ברייתא brings a ברייתא which says; כמה קשר מוכסין שתי אותיות בכתב יוני -The receipt is the size of two Greek letters, twhich are bigger than regular Hebrew letters. The tax collectors used Greek lettering.

But the גמרא asks from another ברייתא, which gives a different measurement for paper.

- אם יש בו כדי לכתוב שתי אותיות חייב

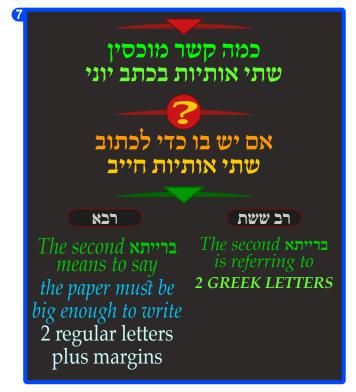
If the paper is big enough to write 2 regular sized letters, he's חייב.

The gemara gives two possible answers.

רב ששת says, the second בר"תא is actually referring to 2 Greek letters of a tax collector's receipt, even though it does not say so explicitly.

מרבא answers that the second ברייתא means to say that the paper must be big enough to write 2 regular letters, plus margins by which to hold it - which is equal in size to 2 larger Greek letters.











8 The Mishnah also taught

חייב המוציא קשר מוכסין חייב - one who carries the tax collector's receipt is liable.

The גמרא cites a related בר"תא.

- המוציא קשר מוכסין עד שלא הראהו למוכס חייב

The liability for carrying a tax collector's receipt depends; Before showing it to the tax collector to prove that he paid, he would be חייב.

פטור - duco משהראהו למוכס פטור - But after he showed it, he would be פטור because the receipt has no purpose anymore, and is insignificant. This is the opinion of the רבנן.

- רבי יהודה אומר אף משהראהו למוכס חייב מפני שצריך לו

Even after showing it he would be חייב, because he still has a need for it.

The אמרא explains the reasoning of both opinions by giving 3 possible reasons one might want to keep the receipt. R' Yehuda considers these reasons significant, and he's therefore חנא קמא holds most people would not hold on to it for those reasons. Therefore the receipt is considered insignificant, and he's פטור פ.

One of the reasons given is

איכא בינייהו רהיטי מוכסא - The tax collector's runners used to stop people and demand to see the receipt. If they did not have it, they would take him back to the collector. According to רבי יהודה, the receipt is still significant because people kept them to show the runners. But the און, דער איז says people don't worry about going back to the collector, since the collector will know they've paid already, and they don't bother to keep the receipt, making it insignificant.

The gemara cites another Braisa with a similar machlokes between בי יהודה and the תנא קמא regarding a - שטר חוב - a loan document.







