

BRIS HONORS:

Please fill in Names & Titles

KVATTER: BRINGS THE BABY IN (This honor is given to a married couple)

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KISAY SHEL ELIYAHU: PLACE THE BABY ON ELIJAH'S CHAIR

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MIN HA'KISAY: TAKES THE BABY OFF ELIJAH'S CHAIR – (optional honor)

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Father puts the baby on the Sandek's lap, and appoints the Mohel as his messenger to do the Bris on his son. Father should leave his Talis and Tefillin on for the Bris.

SANDEK: HOLDS THE BABY DURING THE BRIS

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MIN HA'SANDEK: TAKES THE BABY FROM THE SANDEK - (optional)

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BRACHOS: MAKES THE FIRST 2 BLESSINGS

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AMIDA L'BRACHOS: HOLDS THE BABY WHILE THE 2 BLESSINGS ARE SAID - STANDING SANDEK

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KRIYAS SHEM: CALLS OUT THE BABIES NAME

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AMIDA L'KRIYAS SHEM: HOLDS THE BABY WHILE BABY IS NAMED - STANDING SANDEK

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For the bris ceremony, make sure you have the following items ready:

- Triple Antibiotic Ointment (Neosporin) or Bacitracin (large)
- A & D Ointment (large tube)
- Hydrogen Peroxide (small)
- 4 Diapers, Baby Wipes
- 2 Receiving Blankets
- 50 Gauze Pads 3x3 inches. (open before Shabbos/Yom Tov)
- 2 Firm Pillows
- Milk or Formula Bottle, Pacifier
- Bottle of closed sweet wine (Mevushal)
- Goblet with Tray
- 2 Candles and Holders (Not for Shabbos/Yom Tov Bris)

Please refrain from feeding the baby 1 hour prior to the Bris. Mother and baby should be at the Bris location 15 minutes before the Bris ceremony is called for.

Reminder to add a candle for your son, when lighting Shabbos candles.

If you are unable to obtain any of the supplies, please notify the Mohel so arrangements can be made before the Bris ceremony.

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BRIS AFTERCARE

What to do:

- Wash your hands thoroughly with anti-bacterial soap before preparing the gauze and changing your son's diaper.
- For the next 4-5 days: Remove the 3x3 gauze from the Bris area by every diaper change. Place a new one on like a tent on top of the crown, alternating with Neosporin/Bacitracin and A&D ointment. In order that the Bris wound heals nicely, it's very important that the diapers should be slightly big on him and not too snug.
- 1 dose of 0.4ml Tylenol (acetaminophen) may be recommended by your doctor, if your son is crying a lot and seems to be very uncomfortable.
- Until 48 hours after the Bris, you may sponge bathe your son avoiding the area of the Bris. After 48 hours you may give him a full bath, providing the unbiblical cord has fallen off. Giving a bath when recommended will help the healing and appearance.

What to expect:

- The first couple of 3x3 gauze pads and diapers will be stained a reddish color.
- A few days after the Bris, there will be a yellowish off-color discharge that will form a scab. *This is part of the healing process.* Do not rub or peel off.
- The wound should not be tender after 3-5 days, be essentially healed in about 2 weeks, and have a normal appearance in about month.
- Clean the ridge under the crown at every bath from any dirt that might have collected there.

What may be of concern: (call the Mohel)

- Blood flowing from the wound area.
- If your son has definitely not urinated in 6 hours after the Bris.
- If the ridge under the crown is being covered by skin.

Any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call at any time.

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