



Censoring Immodest Pictures

6. According to the letter of the law, a man must set his filter to cover up all images of immodestly dressed women and any inappropriate pictures on the internet. *(As previously explained by the rules of "darka acharina" and from the words of the Chinuch, mitzvah 188. Furthermore, without this measures one would almost certainly transgress the prohibitions of "Lo sasuru," "V'nishmarta m'kol davar ra," and others. As we previously stated, one must give up all his money to avoid transgressing a mitzvas lo sa'aseh. Therefore, one certainly must pay the cost of installing a good filter.)*

There are several ways to set a filter to cover up pictures. One option is to cover any "skin color". This setting covers only the bodies of people in pictures. Other options are "image filter," or "image replace," which covers the entirety of every picture that has a person in it. It is important to contact one's filter company to ensure that the images are covered in the best way for his/her personal usage.

In emails as well, one can set the settings — or do so via the filter company — to obscure any pictures that he receives. This should be done to ensure that he does not receive any emails with inappropriate pictures.

7. It is also advisable for women to set their filter to at least cover images containing any exposed skin so they do not see any improper pictures. *(As explained in the laws of shemiras einayim for women.)*