



Accepting a Holiday Gift

10. If a Yid received a gift from an aino-Yehudi prior to or after the non-Jewish holiday, the Yid may use and enjoy the gift, provided that the following two conditions are met: 1) The gift is a general gift item and is not one exclusively produced in honor of the holiday; and 2) The aino-Yehudi sent the gift for the purposes of enhancing their business relationship, rather than in celebration of his holiday (despite having sent it during his holiday season). (See Darchei Teshuvah ibid, 6; Shu"t Meishiv Nevonim 6:41)

11. If the aino-Yehudi gave the gift to the Yid on the day of the holiday, and there is a concern of eivah if he does not accept it, he may "accept" the gift but not "use it" or "enjoy it." However, there are some circumstances in which the Yid may use and enjoy the gift too. Therefore, if one finds himself in such a situation, he should consult a posek whether he may use and enjoy the item. (See Shu"t Meishiv Nevonim ibid.)