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## GENERAL YOSHON NEWS

*Chodesh Tov!*

### TYNI Turns 10!

On August 15th, The Yoshon Network Incorporated (also known as TYNI) celebrated its 10th anniversary of becoming a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, officially registered with the IRS. In honor of this milestone, we held a fundraiser to enable us to continue offering what we do. As befitting our name of the "Yoshon Network", we endeavor to provide valuable services that will be able to reach every single *yoshon*-keeping Jew.

All of us here at TYNI thank everyone who has contributed and for showing your continued support. We look forward to continuing to serve the needs of the yoshon-keeping public, and BE"H, hope to be around for another ten years and beyond.

### Newsletter Subscribers Double in Less Than a Week!

Welcome to all our new subscribers! B"H, we had just switched to our new system that allows for attachments without the need to go online to our Direct Document Download links. Unfortunately for us, our new system requires manual addition of subscribers and has been quite labor intensive. Nonetheless, we are more than happy to add everyone.

If anyone has not received a newsletter or alert, please check your SPAM folder, because being "mass emails" they can sometimes find their way there. Also, please make sure that when subscribing, your email address is spelled correctly, as we have had cases where they were off by one character, or an extra letter added and the system rejects it as invalid. Rest assured, if you did subscribe either through our form on our Yoshon.com homepage or by sending an email, we have received it and added you, even if you did not receive a message in reply.

Note that no matter which way you sign up, it all comes to the same place, so please do not sign up in multiple ways. There is only one Yoshon.com Newsletter and Alerts subscription.

Generally, the Newsletter is a recap of everything that has occurred over the past month. If something new has just happened, it will be added in addition, and no separate Alert will be sent, in order to cut down on the number of emails sent. We hope you enjoy this issue!

## GENERAL YOSHON UPDATES

### August 30, 2024 – Yoshon Update for the USA

Here is the latest update from the Kashrus agencies:

**Barley & Oats:** Still early in the season. All can be considered Yoshon until at least September 15th.

**Wheat:**

**Fresh Baked Goods** – May possibly be Chodosh after September 1st.

**Pasta and All Other Wheat-Based Products** – May be considered Yoshon until at least September 15th. Further updates closer to then.

**Flour** – Chodosh flours may be entering the retail market soon. Consumers should begin checking dates next week (after September 1st), details with dates will BE"H be updated in the next few days. Here is some info so far:

**All Purpose, Bread and Whole Wheat Flours:**

Dependable – with Yoshon label only

Giant/Stop & Shop – Best By Date: Aug 20, 2025

Glicks – with Yoshon label only

Gold Medal (KC or GF Mills) - Winter Wheat. (However, if Machmir for Bitul of a shared mill, see \*)

Gold Medal – all other mills - TBD

Kemach – Still all Yoshon  
King Arthur - All varieties – Best By Date: 8/18/25  
Heckers – Still all Yoshon  
Pillsbury – Best By Date: 8-18-25  
Target/Market Pantry – Best By Date: 8-18-25  
Shoprite/Bowl & Basket – Best By Date: 8-18-25

\* It is still unclear the exact date code structure at Gold Medal. It seems that for All Purpose & Bread flour, it can range from 12-18 months expiration which would be either BB 8/4/25 (12 months) or BB 2/4/26 (18 Months).  
Whole Wheat flour from Gold Medal can be either 6 months (BB 2/4/25) or 12 months (BB 8/4/25). We hope to have more clarity on this by the next update BEZ" H in about two weeks.

#### How to Get Updates:

**Online Subscription:** [Yoshon.com](http://Yoshon.com). Fill out the form on the home page for Newsletter and Alert emails.  
You can also email [Info@YoshonNetwork.org](mailto:Info@YoshonNetwork.org) and ask to be added to the email list.

**Text:** These numbers be texted for information once the season begins.

**Whatsapp:** To join the Yoshon.com WhatsApp groups, click this link from your phone <https://yoshon.com/wapb-1/>.

**SMS text:** You can text questions about products to 669-6-YOSHON (669-696-7466).

**Hard Copies of The TYNI Product Manual:** Once the updated TYNI Product Manual is available, hard copies can be found at the following addresses:

#### Lakewood:

Rabbi Shimon Greenfield 1 Kew Gardens Dr.  
Rabbi Shmuel Heinemann 645 8th St.  
Rabbi Aaron Quinn 606 6th St.  
Rabbi Yaakov Teichman 1419 Brookfield Dr."

### August 30, 2024 – Major Yoshon Update from MK Canada

This year, one of the main mills in Montreal began producing Chodosh flour earlier than in previous years. This mill packages as well the flour sold at Costco, we therefore needed to notify the public and publish the first Yoshon update earlier than usual.

Below are estimated cut off dates to help the consumer prepare for the upcoming season.

#### General Cut Off Dates

**Couscous** – Estimated cut off - Mid-September

**Oats** – Stock up now. Expected turnaround beginning of September.

#### Pasta Products

**Regular Pasta** – End of September.      **Specialty Pasta** – Mid-September

**Wheat and Barley** – See Below.

#### Flour

1. **For Ardent Mills, Bakers Hood, Master Hand, or any flour with a COR (323)**

Plant code MT 24 -228 or lower is Yoshon.

**Please note that Costco carries this flour and it may already begin selling Chodosh flour. If a SK is printed on the date code the flour is still Yoshon.**

2. All other flour can be assumed Yoshon until further notice.

**See attached MK Yoshon Update for the following:**

**Bread and Baked Products**

**Wheat and Barley**

**MK Establishments**

(Source: Montreal Kosher)

### August 30, 2024 – Star-K Yoshon Updates

"The STAR-K Yoshon Guidelines page on our site has been updated. Further updates will be issued as we receive more information.

To receive updates in the future, please be sure to sign up for Yoshon Alerts [at this link:

<https://www.star-k.org/articles/yoshon/4123/yoshon-pasyisroel-updates/>] and submitting your email in the sign-up field.

STAR-K continues to pray for peace and for the welfare of all our brethren in Eretz Yisroel."

(Source: Star-K)

[TYNI Note: The links in the attached Star-K document are not clickable, so we included it above in brackets.]

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### August 22, 2024 – Yoshon Update from COR Detroit

“THE CHODOSH SEASON is approaching for Spring Wheat, Oats and Barley. Those who want to purchase Yoshon items to store over the Chodosh season should do so now. Please note that all grain and flour products that will be stored should be refrigerated to avoid insect infestation.

According to the Kashrus Agencies, all products can be assumed to be Yoshon until at least September 1, except for retail size bags of King Arthur and Gold Medal flours. The cut-off Best By date for King Arthur retail flours is 8/18/25. The cut-off Best By date for Gold Medal retail Whole Wheat flour is in the process of being confirmed. (Gold Medal retail All Purpose and Bread flours from plants GF and KC are made from Yoshon winter wheat. If one is machmir regarding shared mills, the cut-off date is in the process of being confirmed.)”

(Source: COR Detroit)

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### August 16, 2024 – First Yoshon Update from COR Canada

“Ardent Mills Montreal plant has started using new crop. This pertains to the Montreal plant **only** and only to commercial size bags (20 kg and larger). However, this product may be sold in Costco.

It can be packed under the following brand names:

Ardent Mills, Bakers Hood, Master Hand, or any flour with a COR 323.

The last yoshon code for plant ‘MT’ is 4-228 or lower. Alternative coding Best Before (BB) 8-15-25.

The other mills (including other Ardent Mills plant) are still a few weeks away from starting yoshon.”

(Source: COR Canada)

[**TYNI Note:** We double checked this cutoff date, and it was found to be correct and it is indeed one day later than the update we posted for MK on Friday. The site has been updated to reflect this correction. MK plans to issue another update later this week.]

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### August 16, 2024 – First Yoshon Update from MK Canada

“Good Afternoon,

Please See below for an important flour update.

Welcome back to the upcoming Yoshon season! The MK is ready and excited to service and facilitate the keeping of Yoshon for all of its consumers and establishments.

In the coming weeks Chodosh products will soon begin to make their way into the consumer market.

A more detailed list of early cut off dates will be published later on this week B”H.

[Important Flour Update](#)

One of our Montreal mills has begun producing Chodosh flour. This carries implications on the flour sold at Costco and other stores.

**For Ardent Mills, Bakers Hood, Master Hand, or any flour with a COR (323)**

Plant code MT – 4 -227 or lower is Yoshon.

Good Shabbos and All the best!

MK Yoshon Department

Yoshon@mk.ca “

(Source: Montreal Kosher)

Kol Tuv,

The TYNI Staff

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