

הדלקת נרות לראש השנה

Candle lighting for Rosh HaShana

For each night of Rosh HaShana

בְּרוּך אַתָּה ה' אֱ'לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶּךְ הְעוֹלְם, אֲשֶׁר קִּדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיוּ, וִצִּוָנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֵׁל יוֹם טוֹב. וִצִּוָנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֵׁל יוֹם טוֹב.

See note below for the second night situation

בְּרוּך אַתָּה ה׳ אֱ׳לֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶּךְ הָעוֹלְם, שֶׁהָחֱיָנוּ וְקִיְּמֶנוּ וְהִגִּיעֲנוּ לַזְּמַן הַזֶּה.

יְהִי רְצוֹן מִלְּפָנֶיךְ ה׳ אֱ׳לֹהֵי וֵא׳לֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵי, שֶׁהְּחוֹנֵן אוֹתִי (וְאֶת אִישִׁי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת אִבִּי וְאֶת אִפִּי וְאֶת אִפִּי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִי וְאֶת בְּנִים וּבְרָכִה, וְתִשְּׁלִים בְּתִּינוּ, יְשִׁיְּלִים וְתְשְׁכֵּן שִׁיִּים טוֹבִים, וְתְשְׁכִּי וְנִבְיִים וּבְנִים וּבְנִים הַכְמִים וּנְבוֹנִים, וְתִשְׁכֵּן שְׁכִינְתְךְ בֵּינִינוּ, וְזַכֵּנִי לְגַדֵּל בְּנִים וּבְנֵי בְנִים חַכְמִים וּנְבוֹנִים, אוֹהֲבֵי ה׳, יִרְאֵי אֱ׳לֹהִים, אַנְשֵׁי אֱמֶת, זֶרַע לְּדֶשׁ, בַּה׳ דְּבֵקִים, וּמְאִירִים אוֹהְבֵי ה׳, יִרְאֵי אֱ׳לֹהִים, אַנְשִׁים טוֹבִים, וּבְכָל מְלֶאכֶת עֲבוֹדַת הַבּּוֹרֵא. אָנָּא שְׁמִע אֶת הְעוֹלֶם בְּתוֹרָה וּבְמַעֲשִׂים טוֹבִים, וּבְכָל מְלֶאכֶת עֲבוֹדַת הַבּּוֹרֵא. אָנָּא שְׁמֵע אֶת הְחִנְּתִי בְּעֵת הַוֹּאת, בִּזְכוּת שְׂרָה וְרִבְקְה וְתַלְּוֹלְת וְלֵאָה אִמּוֹת. וּוֹלֵם וְעֵר, וְהָאֵר בְּנֵיךְ וְנְוְשְׁעָה. אָמֵן. וְהַאֵר בְּנִיךְ וְנְנְיִשְׁעָה. אָמֵן.

Concerning שֶׁהֶחֶיְנוּ for the second night of RH, the "mainstream" opinion is that it is preferable to have a new fruit or garment in mind when saying אָהֶחֵיְנוּ at Kiddush (or candle lighting), since there is a question as to whether the second night requires שֶׁהֶחֵיְנוּ or not. But, even without a new fruit or garment, שֶׁהֶחֵיְנוּ is said. The opinion of the GR"A is that the second night gets a שֵׁהֶחֵיְנוּ without a need for something else to have in mind.

Candle Lighting & Havdala times and important notes

Recommended: light a 48hr candle before candle lighting, to provide a ready flame for 2nd night RH lighting.

These are times for Yerushalayim. For other locations, use this link - www.yeshiva.org.il/calendar/timesday - or your favorite calendar

First night:

Monday, September 22nd - 6:00pm

Second night:

Tuesday, September 23rd - not before 7:11pm Light from a pre-existing flame only

Havdala - wine & HaMavdil brachot:

Wednesday, September 24th - 7:10pm

For Yom Tov (which is not also for Shabbat), a woman need not light first and then say the bracha (as she does for Shabbat candles). Since one may handle fire and light from one candle to another on Yom Tov, it is possible - and preferable - to recite brachot immediately before performance of the mitzva (which is the general rule for brachot and their mitzvot, Shabbat candles being a notable exception). A woman who wants to light for Yom Tov the same way she lights for Shabbat, may do so.

However, on the second night, when lighting is after dark, the brachot should be said first, then the candles lit - FROM A PRE-EXISTING FLAME ONLY, and the match or helper candle must not be extinguished, but rather should be put down in a safe place to go out by itself.

Those who light on the first night after dark (after shul, before the meal), should follow the procedure and reminder in the previous paragraph.