Chullin 17 – Good Morning Raboisai

1️⃣ "לעולם שוחטין" – Meaning

Gemara explains the Mishna:

- "לעולם שוחטין"

👉 According to **רבי עקיבא**:

- In the **Midbar**:
  👉 נבילה (נחירה) was permitted
- When entering **Eretz Yisrael**:
  👉 שחיטה became required

👉 Therefore:

- "לעולם שוחטין"
  👉 From now on → always require שחיטה

2️⃣ Machlokes – Midbar Practice

- **רבי עקיבא**:
  👉 נחירה was permitted in Midbar
- **רבי ישמעאל**:
  👉 No היתר of נחירה

👉 Only meat allowed:

- דרך קרבן

3️⃣ Deer (צב) in Midbar

Gemara:

- Deer cannot be brought as קרבן

👉 According to **רבי ישמעאל**:

- Question:
  👉 How could they eat it?

👉 Answer:

- It was permitted as:
  👉 בשר תאוה

4️⃣ Meat from Before Entry

Case:

- Meat prepared in Midbar (without שחיטה)
- Brought into Eretz Yisrael

👉 Question:

- Is it still permitted?

👉 Remains:

- Unresolved

5️⃣ "הכל שוחטין" – Who Can Shecht

Gemara clarifies:

- Refers to:
  👉 The **שוחט**

👉 Includes:

- Even a **כותי**

👉 Provided:

- No concern of עבודה זרה

6️⃣ "ובכל שוחטין" – What Can Be Used

- Any sharp item:

👉 Examples:

- Knife
- Glass
- Reed (קנה)

7️⃣ Disqualified Tools

- מגל קציר (sickle)
- מגרה (saw)
- שיניים / ציפורן

👉 Reason:

- Causes tearing
  👉 Not smooth cut

8️⃣ סכין עם פגימה (Damaged Knife)

Beraisa:

- Knife with many פגימות
  👉 Like a saw → פסול
- Knife with one פגימה
  👉 פסול

9️⃣ סוגי פגימות

- **אוגרת (deep notch)**
  👉 Causes tearing
- **מסוכסכת (slight roughness)**
  👉 Can be כשר

🔟 Why פגימה Invalidates

Gemara:

👉 The cut must be:

- חלק (smooth)

👉 A notch:

- Weakens skin
- Then tears

👉 Not valid שחיטה

1️⃣1️⃣ Location of the פגימה

- If at edge of knife

👉 Possible workaround:

- Use in one direction only

👉 Then:

- Avoids tearing

1️⃣2️⃣ Direction of Cutting

- Back-and-forth
  👉 Problem
- One direction
  👉 May be valid

1️⃣3️⃣ Rough Knife (Non-Smooth Surface)

Case:

- Knife with many tiny irregularities

👉 Result:

- Still כשר

1️⃣4️⃣ Checking the Knife (בדיקת סכין)

Gemara:

- Must check knife before שחיטה

📌 **Methods:**

- Finger (בשר)
- Nail (ציפורן)
- Visual / light / water

1️⃣5️⃣ Multiple Checks

- Check:
    - Both sides
    - Edge
    - Back and forth

👉 Total:

- Multiple בדיקות required

1️⃣6️⃣ Rav Asi Test

Case:

- Knife brought to **רב אסי**

👉 He checked:

- Finger
- Nail
- All sides

👉 Approved

1️⃣7️⃣ Heated Knife

Case:

- Knife heated until glowing

👉 Concern:

- Burning simanim

❌ Conclusion:

👉 Valid שחיטה

👉 Reason stated:

- Knife cuts first
- Then heat spreads

👉 Simanim separate before burning

🔑 **Key Takeaways (English)**

- “לעולם שוחטין” = from now on always require shechita
- Machlokes Rabbi Akiva vs Rabbi Yishmael about Midbar practice
- Deer allowed as non-korban meat
- Meat from Midbar to Eretz Yisrael unresolved
- “Hakol shochtin” refers to the person
- “Uv’chol shochtin” refers to the tool
- Smooth cutting required
- Damaged knife invalid
- Direction of cutting matters
- Knife must be checked carefully
- Heated knife still valid

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