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Consumer Pesach Alerts

MD Beer Alert 5779: As in previous years, a number of brands of beer will have an issue with *Chometz She'avar Alav HaPesach* until some time around *Shavuot*. The full information is available on the STAR-K website at <https://www.star-k.org/articles/news/4822/maryland-beer-alert-pesach-2019/>.

Market Maven Meat Department meat and chicken are only Kosher for Passover when so stated on the label. The department is NOT Kosher for Passover year round.

Shmitta wine - Any 2015 wine from Israel is from *Shmitta*. Due to lack of sales in *Eretz Yisroel*, a large stock of this wine has been sent to the U.S. within the past few weeks and is now being sold in many wine stores. There are a number of concerns with the way this wine has been handled, resulting in problems in consuming this wine. Each person should consult their *rav* for guidance or to choose a different vintage of wine.

Carrots and many citrus fruits are arriving in the U.S. from *Eretz Yisroel* and would be subject to the separation of *Terumos* and *Maasros*. See https://www.star-k.org/articles/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/KCSmall_Terumos.pdf for instructions.

NOTE: The produce departments of Market Maven and Seven Mile Market are overseen by STAR-K and, when relevant, *Terumos* and *Maasros* have already been separated per signs posted in the store.

Clarification: *Pesach* guides, including Star-K/Rabbi Bess Lists, indicate that NatureMade Melatonin is *chometz*-free. Please note that this refers only to NatureMade Melatonin Swallow Tablets. Naturemade also makes a product called, "VitaMelts Sleep" made with melatonin. The VitaMelts Sleep contains *chometz* and should not be used on *Pesach*.

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