

# Yomim Noraim Seating Guidelines

## for 5778/2017

**Dear Members and Friends,**

As in past years, the primary goal of the Seating Committee is to accommodate everyone who wishes to daven with us on the Yomim Noraim. Toward this goal, it is very important that we receive your seating reservation AND full payment as soon as possible. At the same time, if the fee schedule below would prevent someone from joining us for Yom Tov, we would encourage you to contact Elie Konigsberg, Roni Schwartz, or Sam Levi so that other arrangements can be made regarding payment for your seats. The Seating Committee cannot process any seating reservation without both the written form and the payment or confirmed payment arrangement. Seating will be done on a first come first served basis, with no exceptions. The sooner your form and payment/arrangement confirmation are received, the better we will be able to do our job.

Please note that all reservations this year are once again exclusively hard copies; there is no online reservation and payment option. Reservation forms and checks (or financial arrangement approvals) are to be mailed or dropped off at the shul office.

B"H we will once again have five minyanim on the Yamim Noraim; Vasikin, Beis Midrash, Main Shul, Social Hall and the Tent. We are planning to increase the involvement of our Rabbonim in various minyanim, expanding the past rotation of davening, droshos and shiurim. That being said, the Rav will predominantly be davening in the Main Shul, Rav Cohen predominantly in the Social Hall and Rav Moshe Tzvi predominantly in the tent.

**Guidelines:**

1. Prices: We have a staggered pricing system depending on date of receipt of your form along with payment/arrangement confirmation. The pricing is below and can be assured only to members in good standing.

SEATING PRICES (per seat) if received by:	8/08/2017	8/22/2017	After August 22nd
Member – Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur	\$125	\$150	\$175
Member – Rosh Hashana or Yom Kippur Only	\$90	\$100	\$125
Affiliate – Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur	\$200	\$225	\$250
Affiliate – Rosh Hashana or Yom Kippur Only	\$150	\$175	\$200
Non-member – Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur	\$250	\$275	\$300
Non-member – Rosh Hashana or Yom Kippur Only	\$200	\$225	\$250

2. Seating in all locations will be initially reserved exclusively for adult full members in good standing, their children in fifth grade and above, and other immediate family members. Thereafter, available seats will be allocated to others who do not meet these criteria.
3. No seats may be used by anyone other than the person for whom they are reserved. Please consider when you are reserving a seat whether you anticipate the seat be used. The shul values every reservation, as well as all seats, which we need to use most efficiently.
4. **There are numerous factors that affect the seating assignments. However, the earlier a complete reservation package is received, the better the chance the request will be honored.**
5. **Regarding the vasikin minyan, only members who have requested seats in that minyan may daven there. Please respect this policy as the goal is to allow all members the ability to daven comfortably in their given seat. For Rosh Hashana, the vasikin minyan is for shacharis and mussaf only. On Yom Kippur vasikin attendees remain in vasikin location for all davening.**
6. We stress that we will try to be as sensitive to a request as possible and may consult with Rav Neuburger or Rav Cohen, if necessary. As a result, specific seating and Minyan requests are not guaranteed and will be based on the decision of the Committee taking into consideration all of the relevant factors, including your seat requests and preferences, regular "Minyan Kavua" and the number of people (including children and their ages) in your group. You may be asked whether you would rather sit in your seating preference without your entire family together or sit elsewhere together with your entire family.
7. Additional seats ordered will be accommodated on an "as available" basis. Thus, if your form is submitted by August 8, but you add someone else to the reservation after August 8, you may be asked that the additional person be seated elsewhere or for the entire family to be moved to a different Minyan location. Additionally, refunds for seats over-reserved will be subject to the discretion of the committee.
8. **Babysitting:** We will be having complimentary babysitting in Beth Abraham during the Yomim Noraim. All related details will be sent in a separate communication.
9. Oral requests made to committee members you may see in shul before or after minyan cannot be considered. We appreciate your cooperation in this process and hope that this effort will result in an enjoyable and meaningful Yomim Noraim for all of us.
10. The Seating Committee is comprised entirely of volunteers who are devoting significant time to sensitively tend to our tzibbur's seating needs for the upcoming Yomim Noraim. We ask mechila in advance if we cannot accommodate every request and want all to know that we will do our best.

Sincerely yours,

The Seating Committee

# Congregation Beth Abraham

## Yomim Noraim Seating Order Form 2017

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail (REQUIRED): \_\_\_\_\_

Check One Box Only	
<b>Membership Status</b>	
Member	<input type="checkbox"/>
Affiliate	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Member	<input type="checkbox"/>

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**  
 Please do **NOT**  
 make specific seat requests.  
 Thank you.

		We only seat children who will be in fifth grade or above by this coming fall						
		Insert the #1 for 1st preference, #2 for 2nd preference, or #3 for 3rd preference						
		Check Applicable Boxes						
		Dates						
		Location						
Men's Names	RH	YK	Main Sanctuary	Beit Midrash	Social Hall	TENT	Vasikin	Guests Relationship of Guest
<b>Total Men's Seats</b>								

		We only seat children who will be in fifth grade or above by this coming fall						
		Insert the #1 for 1st preference, #2 for 2nd preference, or #3 for 3rd preference						
		Check Applicable Boxes						
		Dates						
		Location						
Women's Names	RH	YK	Main Sanctuary	Beit Midrash	Social Hall	TENT	Vasikin	Guests Relationship of Guest
<b>Total Women's Seats</b>								

<u>Payment Category</u>	x	<u>8-Aug</u>	<u>22-Aug</u>	<u>after Aug 22</u>	<u>Amount Due</u>
Members (RH and YK)	_____ x	\$125	\$150	\$175	_____
Members (RH or YK, only)	_____ x	\$90	\$100	\$125	_____
Affiliates (RH and YK)	_____ x	\$200	\$225	\$250	_____
Affiliates (RH or YK, only)	_____ x	\$150	\$175	\$200	_____
Non members (RH and YK)	_____ x	\$250	\$275	\$300	_____
Non members (RH or YK, only)	_____ x	\$200	\$225	\$250	_____
Total Amount Due					_____

**Full payment *must* accompany each order.**

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