

# הלכות טבילת כלים

## Hilchot Tevilat Kelim

### סיכום – Summary

1. Kunya: If a keli is entirely coated in metal, inside and out, it requires tevilah with a beracha. Inside only requires tevilah, but machloket if there's a beracha or not. Outside only is a machloket if tevilah with no beracha or not at all. China is glazed with glass all around, but many say it does not need Tevilah since the coating is so thin or merely decorative/protective, not functional.
2. Ma'amid: if a keli can only retain its function through the support of another material, a ma'amid, some say the requirement for tevilah follows the material of the ma'amid, and others argue it does not. We assume it does not, but there is room to be machmir and be matbil without a beracha. Teflon is metal coated on the inside with synthetic material and can only be used with the metal base, so we assume Melkar haDin it does not require Tevilah.
3. Ikar and Tafel: The primary components of the keli determine the Tevilah requirement for the entire keli, even the nonessential parts. If a keli has components that would require tevilah, such as metal or glass, but they are not critical to the normal functioning of the keli – i.e. they are tafel - such as a metal spout for a pitcher, even though the food touches the metal, the keli, even the metal spout, does not require tevilah, since the pitcher can function without the spout. On the other hand, a Keurig machine is primarily made of plastic, but there's a metal needle that pokes a hole in the cup and squirts out water. Since that is critical to the machine's functioning, the entire machine may require tevilah.