

KOF-K Kosher Supervision Services

The KOF-K has a *Vaad Halacha*, a Rabbinic Committee which is responsible for the Kashrus policies of the KOF-K. The *Beis Din* of the *Vaad* is comprised of three eminently qualified *Morei HoRa'ah*, noted *Rabbinic* authorities *Shlita:* Rav Aaron Felder, Rav Shlomo Gissinger and Rav Doniel Neustadt (see below for a brief biographical sketch). The *Bais Din* is the final authority on all matters of *kashrus* at the KOF-K.

When a question relating to *kashrus* is brought to the attention of the KOF-K it is referred to Rabbi Ari Senter, Director of Halachic research. He, assisted by Rabbi Moshe Dovid Lebovits, the KOF-K Rabbinic administrator, research the KOF-K *halachic* database to determine whether or not a KOF-K *p'sak* already exists for the specific question asked, and what other national *kashrus* agencies rule on the subject. Their findings are then presented to the *Bais Din* for their ruling. The final decision of the *Bais Din* is written up with utmost precision, signed off by them and then entered into the KOF-K *halachic* database for future use by the *Vaad Halacha*. The *Bais Din* meets regularly to ensure that all KOF-K certified products meet the highest halachic standards of *kashrus*.

Rav Aaron Felder, *shlit'a*, *Rav* of *Kehilas B'nai Israel- Ohev Zedek* Philadelphia, is a *talmid muvhak* of Rav Moshe Feinstein *zt'l*. He is the author of many widely acclaimed *halachic* seforim including *"Ohalei Yeshurin"* and *"Moadei Yeshurin"*.

Rav Shlomo Gissinger, *shlit'a*, *Rav* of *K'hal Zichron Ya'akov* in Lakewood, NJ, is well known as an expert in many areas of *halacha*, specifically on the subject of *tolaim* (insect infestation in foods).

Rav Doniel Neustadt, *shlit'a*, *Yoshev Rosh* of the *Vaad* Hoir of Detroit, is the author of various *halachic* articles. His *seforim* "The Weekly, Monthly and Daily Halacha Discussion" are available worldwide.