

סוכה לב

A לולב with thorns protruding is פסול. A לולב open like a Y is פסול. A לולב bent forward or to the sides is פסול (forward means with the spine facing you, and the לולב bent away from you). A לולב bent backward is כשר. If there are no leaves on one side of the לולב, or the leaves are single, the לולב is פסול. If the leaves of the לולב are torn, the לולב is פסול. If רוב of the תיומת (the middle leaf) is split, the לולב is פסול. If less than רוב, it is כשר, although לכתחילה, the whole תיומת should be closed. Each leaf on the לולב should touch the leaf above it in order that the stem not be uncovered. If the leaves do not touch each other, the לולב is פסול.

The הדס and the ערבה must be three טפחים (11.4 inches according to the חזון איש; 9,5 inches according to רב חיים נאה; not including the leaves that protrude on top). The לולב should be four טפחים (not including the leaves), and should stick out one טפה over the הדסים and ערבות.

All of the four מינים are פסול if they are stolen, whether it is before or after יאוש (on the first day; the second day is a מחלוקת, though one must do whatever he can to avoid stolen מינים, and a ברכה cannot be said even according to the opinions who permit).

A dry הדס is פסול. A withered הדס is כשר.

A **הדס** that has more leaves than fruit is **כשר**. If there is more fruit than leaves, the **הדס** is **כשר** if the fruit is green, and **פסול** if the fruit is red or black.

A **הדס** must have three leaves on each level of the **הדס** (משולש) in order to be **כשר**, and at least **רוב** of the required three **טפחים** must be **משולש**, although **לכתחילה**, the whole amount should be **משולש**.