



יסודי התורה Yesodey Hatorah Senior Girls School

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Supplementary Information Form

In order for an application to be prioritised within the admissions criteria on the grounds of faith, parents must submit this supplementary information form confirming they adhere to the guidelines established by the Rabbinate.

You must follow the steps outlined below:

- a) Read through the faith requirements carefully.
- b) Parent/Guardian should sign if they and their family members follow the requirements.
- c) The Parent/Guardian should send the form to the Office of the **Rabbinate of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations, 140 Stamford Hill, N16 6QT**, where in the absence of contrary evidence the UOHC will countersign to confirm that the self-certification of the Parent/Guardian is correct in relation to any elements of public religious observance.

Please note: Forms should not be given to individual Rabbis to be signed.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THE ADMISSION FORMS TO HACKNEY EDUCATION AND THE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORM TO THE RABBINATE OF UOHC IS 31ST OCTOBER 2021.

(This form should not be returned to the school but sent to the UOHC – see notes above.)

1. Child's Details

Child's Surname	
Child's First Name	
Date of Birth	
Child's Home Address (This must be the address where the child normally lives.)	

2. Parent / Guardian Details

Title (Please circle)	Rabbi Mr Mrs Other
Surname	
First Name	
Relationship to Child	
Address if different from Child's	

Confirmation of Charedi Status will only be endorsed when the Ethos is signed by a Parent / Guardian and countersigned by the Rabbinate of The Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations. Parents/Guardians are required to self-certify that they adhere to the requirements of religious observance, both private and public. The Rabbinate is asked to countersign, in the absence of contrary evidence, in relation to the elements of public religious observance.

The Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations Charedi principles and ethics:

Charedi homes do not have TV or other inappropriate media, and parents will ensure that their children will not have access to the Internet and any other media which do not meet the stringent moral criteria of the Charedi community. Families- mothers and girls will dress at all times in accordance with the strictest standards of modesty as laid down by the Rabbinate of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations. Fathers, where applicable, overall mode of dress style and colour will be in accordance with the Charedi ethos of the school; must pray at a Charedi synagogue and attend all prayers on Shabbos, Yom Tov and the three daily prayers. Likewise, attendance in synagogue appropriately dressed i.e. jacket and hat. Set times for daily Torah study sessions are an essential part of a Charedi family environment.

The ethos of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations expects parents / guardians to refrain at all times from the following trends which contradict the spirit of modesty and holiness accepted in the community, even when these trends do not clearly negate the religious law or are accepted elsewhere.

1. SKIRTS

- Dresses and skirts may not be shorter than 10cm / 4 inches below the knees, a length that ensures the knees remain covered at all times.
- Very straight or figure-hugging skirts are forbidden.
- A slit in a skirt or dress is absolutely forbidden even if it is completely below the knee.

2. SHEITELS

- Sheitels that fall below the base of the neck or do not conform in any other way to the religious laws are forbidden to be worn.
Sheitels that are designed to appear as one's own hair (e.g. lace-front and lace-top) have been ruled as against religious law by the Rabbinates of UOHC.
- Hatfalls and Bandfalls are not in keeping with the standards of modesty. If snoods are worn because of rabbinical guidance one's hair must be completely covered.

3. COLOURS

- The wearing of brightly coloured clothing is forbidden. For the avoidance of doubt, bright is defined as any colour which contains fluorescent/neon tones.

4. NECKLINES

- Blouses, jumpers or dresses must fit closely to the neck. This ensures that:
 - a. The shoulders
 - b. The top of the spine and downwards
 - c. The collar bone and below are covered.

5. SLEEVES must cover the elbows at all times.

6. MAKE-UP/NAIL POLISH should be used in a limited way which does not draw attention to its use and is consistent with a modest and natural appearance.

7. CASUAL CLOTHES

- Casual garments and footwear, denim or other clothing made from leather and lycra, are related to the casual free way of life of the street culture and as such are not permitted.

8. TELEVISION / INTERNET

- The television is absolutely forbidden.
- Access to the internet is forbidden except within the guidelines issued by the Rabbinates of UOHC in Elul 5772 – see below.
- Home entertainment is strictly not allowed by the UOHC. "Home entertainment" means any entertainment accessed online via any computerised device.
This includes online gaming or any online presence for personal social use (e.g. social forums and social media accounts).

I/We confirm that, for at least the last 12 months, I/we have adhered to these guidelines and continue to do so without any lapse in compliance.

Parent/Guardian Signature:
(Please note that only one parent is required to sign.)

Date:

Rabbinates of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations

Name: Signature: Date:

Note to Rabbinat signatory:

Please sign this document unless you have evidence, in relation to the public practices (Sheitels, clothing, Torah Learning and online social presence) that the family does not meet these requirements

“Evidence” means clear proof of the family’s failure to meet these requirements which you have obtained either through your direct personal experience of the family’s practice, or through recorded evidence. Evidence might also be evidence concerning public religious observance provided by the rabbi of the synagogue attended by the family.



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בס"ד

תקנות קודש

RULING OF THE RABBINATE OF THE UOHC

That was announced at the Kinus Klal Yisroel Hatzolas Hadoiros in London

י"ז אלול תשנ"ב לפ"ק

The following *takonos* have been laid down at the gathering of *Gedolei Torah* and *Manhigei Yisroel*, together with thousands of *Shomrei Torah Umitzvos*, for the purpose of strengthening the standards of *Kedusha*, which are the foundation of *Yiddishkeit*. As it is the obligation of *Botei Din* to enact safeguards to ensure Torah observance, the following *takonos* have been laid down to protect ourselves and future generations, **with the agreement of the *Beis Din* of the Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations - under the leadership of the *Av Beis Din* and *Moro D'Asroh*** שליט"א.

These *takonos* have also been established and accepted in other communities, with the agreement of *Gedolei U'Manhigei Yisroel* שליט"א.

- 1) It is absolutely forbidden to have unfiltered internet access, even for purposes of *parmosoh*, whether on a computer, on a mobile phone, or any other device, whether at home or in one's place of work. **Anyone who does not accept this *Takono* is considered a *Poretz Geder* (one who breaks the safeguards laid down by our *Chachomim*)** י"י, and by doing so, declares that he is not among the *Yereim* and *Charedim Lidvar Hashem*, and one should distance oneself from such a person and his influence.
- 2) When used for *parmosoh* purposes, the use of the internet with a filter is not forbidden a filter suits to his need only, but it must be only at one's place of work. If one works from home, the internet access must be inside a cabinet, a unit that can be securely locked, for instance a chubb lock so that there is no way that one's children can gain access to it.
- 3) Anyone who does not require it for purposes of *parmosoh*, should not have internet access at all, and those who require it occasionally to make purchases etc, can use the supervised facilities available to the community for this purpose, both in Stamford Hill and Golders Green and indeed many have found that this satisfies their business needs too.
- 4) In places of employment, offices etc, it is the duty of employers to ensure that all internet access is filtered, and to guard and stop employees from using unfiltered internet, for their sake and in order to avoid the *issur* of *Lifnei iver lo siten michshol*, not putting a stumbling block in front of the innocent.
- 5) It is an obligation upon the educational institutions, for both boys and girls, to enact regulations to enforce these *takonos* and strengthen them, for the protection of all children and all the institutions.
- 6) It is the duty of *mechanchim* to teach their pupils the seriousness and danger of using devices that can be connected to the internet, and to point out that even using filtered internet involves great dangers, and one is obligated to guard one's *neshma* and should distance oneself from it.
- 7) It is also right that each *kehillo* should add appropriate *takonos* for its members to protect them from the damage caused by the internet.
- 8) It is the duty of husbands who work and parents whose wives and daughters work, to check and investigate very thoroughly to ensure that the place of employment is free of unfiltered internet access and of other spiritually harmful devices, as neglect in this area has had many tragic results.

These *takonos* are basic foundations of *Yiddishkeit*, and many important Torah principles are dependent on them.

By observing these *takonos*, may we be *zocheh*, with the help of *Hashem Yisborach*, to guard the walls of sanctity and purity, and thereby merit that we and all our descendants should be with a pure heart and a pure mind - ידעי שמך ולומדי תורתך -

ואין יוצא ואין פורק ואין צוחה ברחובותינו אביהר, בתיבה וחתימה טובה and in this *zechus*, may we all be blessed with a



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