

## Halachos if it is raining tonight:

Even though on Sukkos we are exempt from eating in the sukkah when it rains, the first night of Yom Tov is different. We need to make kiddush and eat a kazayis challah in the sukkah.

Therefore, if chas v'shalom it is still raining tonight this is what should be done:

1: Wait for an hour or two. Perhaps the rain will stop.

2: If it is still raining after waiting go into the sukkah anyway, make kiddush, wash, eat a kazayis, and finish the seuda inside. Do not make a Laishaiv Basukkah.

3: if eventually it clears up go out in the sukkah, eat another kazayis, and make a Laishaiv.

4: If it's difficult to wait, wait however long you can then make kiddush.

5: Women are exempt from eating in the sukkah. However they have an obligation to hear kiddush. If kiddush can be heard from a dry place that is sufficient, otherwise they should go into the sukkah. Women should make their own Hamotzi when beginning the seudah inside.

6: Be b'simcha with whatever situation Hashem puts us in!

May we be Zoche to sit together in the sukkaso shel livyason. A lechtege Shabbos Kodesh and A freilechen Yom Tov to all!

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