

Blessing on Affixing a Mezuzah

Before affixing a mezuzah to a doorpost, the following blessing is recited:

Hebrew

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה אֲדֹנָי
אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו
וְצִוָּנוּ לְקַבֵּץ מְזוּזָה

Transliteration

Barukh ata Adonai
Eloheinu Melekh ha-olam,
asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav
v'tzivanu likbo-a mezuzah.

English

Blessed are You, L-rd our G-d,
Ruler of the universe,
Who sanctifies us with holy
commandments and commands
us to fix a mezuzah.

The blessing is only recited once (usually on the front door) for all the mezuzot in the house. After reciting the blessing, no words are spoken until all mezuzot are hung throughout the house.

Where to Affix a Mezuzah

The mezuzah is placed in the following way:

On the right doorpost as one enters the room. At the bottom of the upper third of the doorpost (shoulder height), in a slightly slanted position so that the top points toward the inside of the room.

