



Male and Female Coworkers

21. A man and woman should not be stationed in the same room if no other workers are sitting in that room. This applies even in a place where there is no prohibition of *yichud*.

When seeking a job, one should avoid taking a position where he/she will have to sit in the same office with a member of the opposite gender as the only two people in the room (even if there are other workers in the building, but none in the same room). (*Shu"t*

Meishiv Nevonim 6:62; *Yisrael Kedoshim* p. 254)

22. Similarly, a man and woman should not work together in an office in which they are the only two workers – even in separate rooms.

When someone starts a new business and wants to hire just one worker of the opposite gender, or if someone is offered a job working as the only employee of a boss of the opposite gender, a *Rav* should be consulted before finalizing the hiring.