

General Awareness When Working In a Secular Environment

7. Even if one must work with such people, he should attempt to create the best possible situation under the circumstances. In addition, one should establish boundaries in terms of dress and conduct to keep himself separate from his coworkers.

It is also advisable to join a daily *shiur* or keep a set *seder* learning *sefarim* on the greatness of being an *ehrliche* Jew. Through this, one will instill himself with Jewish pride and will act with a "gaavah d'kedushah" even in non-Jewish settings. It is also crucial to keep a connection with a *Rav* or *Rebbi* and to consult with him regularly for guidance on how to conduct oneself in his workplace.

8. Furthermore, if one notices a negative change in his behavior and he feels that the work environment is having a bad influence on him, he should consult with a *Rav* to determine the appropriate course of action. This holds true for all areas but is particularly relevant in this situation.