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*THE HALACHIC OPINION OF HA GAON RAV AHARON  
KOTLER ZT'L REGARDING SHAVING THE BEARD WITH  
ELECTRIC SHAVERS (FROM THE BOOK  
HAD RAT PANIM ZAKAN)*

*I hereby confirm our conversation (when we met before Yom  
Tov) regarding shaving machines. I recall that I asked the  
following question to our Rebbe, the Gaon Rav Aharon Kotler,  
zt'l: Is it permissible to use a shaving machine?...Rav Kotler  
answered: "Under no circumstances". I asked him if it is a  
Chumrah (stringency of the law) and he replied that this is  
strictly forbidden by halacha (Meikar ha Din)*

*Rav Eli Dov Wachtfogel*

*Woe to the one who dares disturb his beard in any manner  
(Zohar ha Kaddosh III, 130b)*