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By ALL opinions, wash, recite Hamotzi and Birkat Hamazon over it DIRECTLY.

*Consult a competent Orthodox rabbi for precise measurement and practical application.

If BETWEEN a chatzi isaron and the volume of six eggs:

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It DEPENDS:
If you ARE SATISFIED from it, you may wash, recite Hamotzi and Birkat Hamazon over 'mezonos-bread' DIRECTLY - providing it measures AT LEAST the volume of four eggs. If NOT, recite only Mezonos and Al Hamichyo over it.

If LESS than the volume of four eggs:

If you are eating a CHATZI ISARON* of 'mezonos-bread' or MORE:

It DEPENDS:
If you ARE SATISFIED from it, wash, make Hamotzi and Birkat Hamazon on it DIRECTLY; but if NOT, wash and make Hamotzi over at least a kezayis of definite 'motzi-bread' and exempt secondary bread thereby.

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If BETWEEN the volume of six eggs and four eggs:

It DEPENDS:
If UNSATISFIED, treat it as a snack and recite only Mezonos and Al Hamichyo; but if SATISFIED, wash, recite Hamotzi over at least a kezayis of definite 'motzi-bread' and exempt secondary bread thereby.

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On a Final Note...



The "liftan" ('filling' or 'spread') on a sandwich/bread CONTRIBUTES TO THE MEASURE OF THE BREAD, since the tafel (secondary food, i.e. the liftan) is included in the ikar (primary food, i.e. the bread). By a measure of the bread alone you might not be full, but if it is a large sandwich by which you do become full, the liftan is considered as the bread itself, for which you are obligated to wash, recite Hamotzi and Birkat Hamazon.

An example to illustrate based on what's been stated above: When you eat bread equivalent to the volume of four eggs minimum, together with liftan, and you are satisfied, you must wash, recite Hamotzi and Birkat Hamazon. However, if you become satisfied by the liftan together with less than four-eggs' volume of bread, you should wash and recite Hamotzi on an independent piece of regular bread of definite "motzi" status; your sandwich or the like is included thereby, and exempted by Birkat Hamazon as well.

*** Based on 2:3 of the Alter Rebbe's Seder Birchot Hanehnin ***