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COPIAGUE, N.Y. (AP) — The Long Island factory billed as the world's largest maker of knishes is reopening five months after it was badly damaged in a fire, leading to a nationwide shortage of the Jewish treat.

Co-owner Stacey Ziskin Gabay of [Gabila's Knishes](#) [1] says the Copiague plant has been given approval to reopen by the fire marshal.

Gabila's is the only factory that makes square knishes. Gabay said the plant usually makes up to 15 million knishes a year and ships them all over the country.

Knish fans have been kvetching ever since Sept. 24 when a fire damaged the machinery that makes the potato-filled snack.

Gabay says that company officials were pleased that so many people missed the knishes and that production will start next week.

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