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**OCHA Weekly Briefing Notes**  
**Update for oPt (6 – 12 October 2004)**

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## **1. Casualties**

Palestinians: Deaths: 30  
 Injured: 164  
 Israelis: Deaths: 0  
 Injured: 9  
 Internationals: Deaths: 1  
 Injured: 2

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS, UNRWA, IDF website, Israeli MoFA.

## **2. Incidents involving ambulances and medical teams**

### **West Bank**

Denial of access: 0

Delay (30 minutes – 7 hours): 1

Shooting/Damage to Ambulance: 0

### **Gaza:**

Denial of access: 0

Delay (30 minutes – 7 hours): 8

Shooting/Damage to Ambulance: 4/1

- Male Palestinians aged 16 to 35, including patients and those with metal implants, are still not permitted to travel out of the Gaza Strip through the Rafah Terminal. The Palestinian Ministry of Health (MoH) reported that a large number of patients with medical referral documents for necessary treatment abroad continue to be denied access.
- 8 October:** Two MoH ambulances tried to reach a house in Jabalia where a man and his children were injured due to an IDF missile attack. However, IDF troops surrounded the house and opened fire. The two ambulances were able to evacuate the injured after approximately 45 minutes. The man died during the evacuation.
- 9 October:** The IDF opened fire towards a MoH ambulance that was attempting to evacuate residents injured in a missile strike on a house in Beit Lahia. The ambulance was able to evacuate the wounded after one hour.
- 9 October:** An ambulance was damaged when the IDF opened fire towards the Nasser hospital.

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS, Palestinian MoH

## **3. Curfews**

Curfew was reported in the following locations:

Date	Location	Number of days/hours
6 October	Seida, Tulkarm	8 hours
8 October	An Nabi Salih	2 days
8 October	Beit 'Ur at Tahta	13 hours
11 October	Deir Abu Mash'al	1 day
12 October	Qarawat Bani Zeid	9 hours

Sources: OCHA FCU, Village Councils, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL

#### 4. House demolitions/Demolition orders/People displaced

##### West Bank:

- **6 October:** Seven persons lost their homes after the IDF destroyed the internal walls of one apartment in 'Ayda refugee camp, Bethlehem district. The apartment belonged to the family of a detainee.
- **12 October:** A two-storey house (four flats) was demolished in Beit Wazan west of Nablus. The house provided shelter for 20 people (four families). The house was demolished allegedly due the owners' affiliations with Islamic Jihad.
- During the week, the Israeli Civil Administration issued an order that allows the IDF to demolish tents and caravans belonging to the Bedouin community of Arab Abu Farda in Qalqiliya governorate. In February 2004, the Bedouins in Arab Abu Farda together with Bedouins from Ramadin received demolition orders for six dwellings. These six houses are included in a total of 11 dwellings that on 28 December received orders to halt further construction.

Date	Location	Demolished	Partially destroyed	Damaged
6 October	'Ayda camp, Bethlehem	1 apartment		
12 October	Bet Wazan, Nablus	1 two-storey house		
<b>Total</b>		<b>1 two-storey house and 1 apartment</b>		

##### Gaza:

- **6 October:** A three-storey house was demolished in Al Satter Al Gharbi area in Khan Younis.
- **6, 7, 9 and 10 October:** Sixteen houses were demolished and another three were damaged in Jabalia refugee camp.
- **8 October:** A water well and a chicken farm were demolished in Al Mughraga area southeast of Netzarim settlement.
- **9 October:** One house was demolished in Al Mughraga area southeast of Netzarim settlement.
- **9 October:** Fourteen Bedouins shelters were demolished and another was damaged in Orayba area in northern Rafah.
- **11 October:** The IDF damaged the boundary walls of several houses on Salah el Din Street northwest of Kfar Dorom settlement in Deir Al Balah.
- **12 October:** Three houses were demolished in Deir Al Balah north of Kfar Darom settlement.
- People made homeless: 238 individuals.

Date	Location	Demolished	Partially destroyed	Damaged
6 October	Khan Younis	Three-storey house		
6,7,9and10 October	Jabalia camp	16 houses		
8 October	Al Mughraga	1 water well, 1 chicken farm		
9 October	Rafah	14 Bedouin shelters		1 Bedouin shelter
11 October	Deir al Balah			Boundary wall of several houses
12 October	Deir al Balah	3 houses		
<b>Total</b>		<b>19 houses, 1 three-story house, 14 Bedouin shelters, 1 water well and 1 chicken farm</b>		<b>1 Bedouin shelter and several boundary walls</b>

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA

#### 5. Land levelling/Requisitions<sup>1</sup>

##### West Bank:

- **7 October:** Israeli settlers from Sha'arei Tigwa uprooted olive trees covering an area of approximately 8 dunums (0.8 hectares) on the other side of the Barrier located near the settlement. The land belongs to farmers from Masha, who have been prevented from reaching their land since construction of the Barrier.

##### Gaza:

- **6 October:** Fifty dunums (5 hectares) of olive trees and agricultural land were levelled in Al Satter Al Gharbi area in Khan Younis.

<sup>1</sup> 4 dunums = 1 acre

- **7 October:** Fifteen dunums (1.5 hectares) of greenhouses were levelled east of Khuza' area east of Khan Younis.
- **12 October:** Forty dunums (4 hectares) of citrus and olives were levelled in Deir Al Balah north of Kfar Darom settlement.

Sources: OCHA FCU, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, UNRWA, Palestinian DCL, Village Council

## **6. Closure<sup>2</sup>/Restrictions on movement**

UNRWA has reported an increased number of incidents (13 incidents reported) on restrictions on movements for its staff following the Israeli "Qassam Rocket" allegations. According to UNRWA, its vehicles have been searched and IDF have frequently asked the UNRWA staff about Qassam rockets.

### **Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit governorates:**

- The IDF maintained the restricted movement on the local populations in Tulkarm Governorate despite the end of the Jewish holidays. However, the restriction has been relatively relaxed and only a few flying checkpoints were observed (Between Salfit town and Khirbet Qeis, and the entrances of Marda, Kifl Haris and Haris). During the week, the crossing procedures at Kafriat checkpoint have constantly changed making the movement situation/access completely unclear to the local residents. In general, only residents of Jbara and Shufa have been able to cross the checkpoint in their own vehicle without needing a special permit.
- In Qalqiliya Governorate, the movement has been less restricted and people have been able to move freely within the governorate, including through the tunnel between Habla village and Qalqiliya town.
- In Salfit district, the movement between the villages continues to be hampered by the existence of road blocks and earth mounds and the restrictions to travel on the main roads.
- The work on preparation for the Barrier in Ar Zawiya is still suspended following a decision from the Israeli High Court of Justice. Also, the preparation work around Ariel is suspended pending new court decision.
- Barrier gates: The IDF has virtually changed the opening hours of all barrier gates in conjunction with the olive harvest (*please see table below*). Although announced earlier, most of the new opening hours only went into effect after the end of the Jewish holidays on 10 October. All seasonal gates will close again after the harvest. Farmers can in principle cross the gates by foot and with donkeys and tractors without permission other than the green permit. Cars need special permission.

### **Nablus/Jenin/Tubas governorates:**

- **6 to 10 October:** The IDF closed Tayasir checkpoint east of Tubas for all Palestinians (including permit holders). Palestinians teachers were an exception to the rule. The northern Jordan Valley was announced a closed military area two months ago.
- **6 October:** The IDF closed 'Awarta commercial checkpoint (Nablus) from 1pm until the evening of 9 October.
- **7 October:** The IDF closed the southern entrance of Balata refugee camp with earth mounds

### **Ramallah/AI Bireh governorate:**

- **7, 10 and 12 October:** At 7am during the morning rush hours, the IDF at Atara (partial) checkpoint searched cars and checked IDs which resulted in long delays for the Palestinians.
- **10 October:** The IDF closed the gate at An Nabi Salih and erected an earth mound for two days. People from the Bani Zeid cluster needed to use Ajjou Road to go to Ramallah.
- **10 October:** A checkpoint at An Nabi Salih gate was in operation throughout the day, long delays were experienced at the gate.
- **10 October:** The IDF closed the main entrance to Deir Abu Mash'al, which was opened by the villagers three months ago. People had to drive on a long dirt road as the other entrance next to Shuqba was also closed by an earth mound

### **Jerusalem/Jericho governorates:**

- IDF mobile checkpoints have been observed frequently at the entrance to Al 'Eizariya/Ma'ale Adumim settlement, Abu Dis and 'Anata, resulting in long lines of cars waiting to get through.
- **8 October:** Only Palestinian Jerusalemites older than 40 years of age were allowed access to Al Aqsa.
- Restrictions on Palestinian movement in and out of Jericho were eased after the Jewish Sukkot holidays. Jericho residents and Jerusalemites as well as internationals can now enter and leave the city by vehicles without any permits. Other West Bank Palestinians need a permit.

### **Jerusalem Envelope Barrier:**

- **North:** Construction of the Barrier is continuing along Road 60, the main road, between Qalandiya and Ar - Ram checkpoints. Land levelling for the Barrier is also taking place alongside the road between Hizma and Anata villages.

<sup>2</sup> For a reference West Bank checkpoint map please check the following link: [http://www.reliefweb.int/hic-opt/maps/Closure/mar/checkpoints\\_july04.pdf](http://www.reliefweb.int/hic-opt/maps/Closure/mar/checkpoints_july04.pdf)

- **East:** Construction of the Barrier is continuing in Ash Sheikh Sa'ad, Sawahriya ash Sharqiya, Abu Dis, and Al 'Eizariya. Construction is nearly completed from Mt. of Olives to the hill just south of Al Quds University in Abu Dis. Barrier construction in Sur Bahir is still on halt.
- **Northwest:** Construction of the Barrier is ongoing in Bet Duquq, Qatanna and Kharayib Umm Al Lahim. In Biddu, Bet Ijza, Al Qubeiba and Bet Surik, construction is still on halt.

#### **Hebron/Bethlehem governorates:**

- The closure on Hebron Governorate continued for a seventh week since the Beer Shev'a bombing on 31 of August. Hebron and Yatta are still under tighter closure restrictions than the rest of the governorate. The main internal road between Hebron and Dura is closed by a military checkpoint preventing vehicular traffic except for emergency services and international humanitarian organisations. The Dura - Al Fawwar junction remains closed for regular Palestinian traffic although access for emergency services is possible through coordination with the IDF. The eastern access to Yatta from the bypass Road 317 remains closed to vehicular traffic as Zif gate is closed. Movement to Bethlehem from Hebron is monitored closely: a flying checkpoint has been set up on Road 60 after the turn for Halhul. The internal connection to Bethlehem via Road 356 (Wadi Sa'ir) is monitored by several flying checkpoints as well deterring movement of Palestinians on a road which does not require permits. Movement restrictions in the Governorate of Bethlehem are not as tight, but access to Israel/Jerusalem is still restricted.
- **6 October to date:** Palestinian carrying ID cards and residents in Hebron city are not being allowed by the IDF to cross the bridge into Halhul. The bridge was reopened on 3 October only to pedestrian traffic. Movement is not possible after 5pm.
- **6, 7, 8 October:** Movement towards Bethlehem/Jerusalem from the Gush 'Eztzion checkpoint was restricted to all green-plated vehicles in conjunction with the last part of the Jewish holiday season.
- **9 October:** International NGOs with yellow-plated vehicles were prevented access through the Ras Al – Jura checkpoint in Hebron district.

#### **The enclosed areas in the Gaza strip:**

- **As Seafa:** Since 22 April 2004, the IDF has allowed only three to four people with As-Seafa IDs to go in and out on foot, for one time only, with prior coordination, to bring food in. These people are permitted to exit and enter through the gate at two irregular periods: approximately 6.30am to 8.30am and from approximately 2pm to 4.30pm. No vehicles are permitted to enter or exit. Coordination for international organisations to enter the area has been extremely problematic.
- **6 to 8 October:** As Seafa gate was completely closed. No one was permitted to pass including 24 students.
- **9 October:** As Seafa gate was reopened and four people were allowed to exit.
- **Since 6 October:** Agricultural produce from As-Seafa was allowed to be brought out.
- **Al-Mawassi:** IDF restrictions remain, with the entry-exit gate at Al Tuffah checkpoint generally opening twice daily for limited numbers of Al Mawassi ID holders from approximately 8am to 1pm and from approximately 2.30pm to 5pm. Since 10 May 2004, males aged below 30 years who are Al Mawassi ID holders have been required to have prior coordination to pass through Al Tuffah checkpoint. Since 6 June 2004, prior coordination has been required for unmarried females with Al Mawassi ID who are between the ages of 18 and 25. Vehicles are not allowed to pass, with some exceptions given for international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.
- **23 September to 8 October:** Al Tuffah checkpoint was closed. Al Tuffah reopened on 9 October.
- Tel As-Sultan checkpoint remained closed during the reporting period.
- **Kfar Darom:** The Palestinian area adjacent to Kfar Darom settlement was declared a closed military area following a suicide attack on 27 February 2004. Since 20 July 2002 no vehicular movement has been allowed in and out of the area and the IDF erected a fence around the area. Movement is restricted by the IDF with the entry-exit gate generally opening four times daily for Al Maa'ni ID holders only from 6.30am to 7.30am, 10.30am to 11.30am, 1pm to 2pm and 4pm to 5pm. Access for international organisations into the area remains extremely problematic.

*Source OCHA FCUs and UNRWA*

## **7. Olive Harvest incidents**

#### **Nablus/Jenin/Tubas governorates:**

- **7 October to 12 October:** The IDF refused to let people, including holders of olive harvest permits, of Tura al Gharbiya (Jenin) pass through Um al Rihan gate to their olive groves west of the Barrier.
- **11 October:** A group of Palestinian from 'Asira al Qibliya village were picking olives in the village fields near Yits'har settlement when some settlers tried to prevent them for harvesting. A fight broke out between the two groups. A 26-year-old was shot in the neck allegedly by a settler. Later IDF jeeps entered the village of 'Asira al Qibliya, surrounded several buildings and the IDF arrested three Palestinians who it suspected were engaged in the fighting

#### **Hebron/Bethlehem.**

- **11 October:** A farmer from 'Urif village (Nablus) was allegedly beaten by a group of settlers from Yits'har settlement while picking olives from his grove. The farmer was evacuated to a Nablus hospital. He suffered from a broken collar bone.
- **11 October:** The IDF prevented a farmer from Sa'ir village, Hebron district, from collecting olives from his land and informed him he needs a permit. The land is 600 metres from Mizad B settlement.

## **8. Access to schools:**

### **West Bank:**

- Hundreds of students from Abu Dis and Al 'Eizariya, Jerusalem district, are experiencing difficulties in crossing the gate in the Barrier near Ras al 'Amud to reach their schools in East Jerusalem each day. The gate is manned by Israeli Border Police and only Palestinians with valid permits or Jerusalem IDs are allowed to cross. Schools in several Palestinian Jerusalem neighbourhoods are becoming overcrowded because many students have been forced to change schools due to Barrier construction.
- **9 October:** Students in Nabi Salih, Ramallah district, have been unable to reach their primary schools in the village and the nearby secondary school in Beit Rima and Deir Ghassaneh due to curfew.
- **9 October:** The schools in Beit 'Ur at Tahta, Ramallah district, started two hours late (10am) - curfew was lifted at around 9am.
- **9 October:** According to the Palestinian DCL, the IDF fired two sound grenades in the playground of Dar Salah secondary school, Bethlehem district, no injuries were reported.
- **9 October:** Teachers from Bethlehem were delayed in reaching their destination in the western villages and the schools in Beit Fajjar and Jurat ash Sham'a, in Bethlehem district, because of a flying checkpoint at the Al Khader – Husan junction
- **11 October:** School in Deir Abu Mash'al, Ramallah district, was suspended due to a curfew imposed on the village by the IDF in the early morning.
- **11 October:** Students in Qarawat Bani Zeid, Ramallah district, were unable to go to their schools due to curfew.
- **11 October:** The IDF set up flying checkpoints and blocked the road to Al Quds Open University and Hebron University, in Hebron city. The IDF conducted checks on Palestinian students and arrested a professor from Hebron University.

### **Gaza:**

- Since the start of the current IDF operation in the northern Gaza Strip on 29 September, schooling in most of the Governmental and UNRWA school has been severely disrupted.
- **From 6 to 8 October:** As Seafa students were not able to attend their schools as the IDF closed the only entry and exit gate for the area. Under current restrictions, when open, students are not permitted to re-enter As Seafa area until 4pm.
- **12 October:** An 11-year-old female student sustained a gunshot wound to the stomach while sitting in an UNRWA school in Khan Younis. She died the next day. (This death is not included in the death toll as it fell outside the reporting period. It will be included in the next report)

## **9. Labour movement to Israel**

### **Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit governorates:**

- The IDF continued to enforce the suspension of all permits to Israel (work, trade, visitors, etc.), the only exceptions are humanitarian cases/transfers. However, Palestinian-Israelis are allowed to enter Tulkarm and Qalqiliya provided they can prove they have family in the areas. In Tulkarm, Arab-Israelis must leave their vehicles outside the Kafriat checkpoint in a special constructed parking lot before crossing .

### **Jericho governorate:**

- Permits issued before the suspension started with the Jewish holidays, are again valid. However, no new permits have been issued.
- Eight permits for work in Israel have been issued since 1 August.
- Approximately 400 permits for work in Israeli settlements in the West Bank have been issued since 1 August.
- 160 commercial trading permits have been issued for the period August to October.

### **Gaza:**

- During this reporting period, a total of 5,166 permits have been issued for workers and 226 permits for traders aged 35 and older including 2,000 permits to stay overnight. However, no workers and/or traders were allowed to enter.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, UNSCO, Palestinian DCL

## **10. Other:**

### **Nablus/Jenin/Tubas**

- **7 October:** One Palestinian was injured in Balata refugee camp, Nablus, during clashes with IDF.
- **9 October:** Three Palestinians were injured in Balata refugee camp, Nablus, during clashes with IDF.

- **11 October:** Ten Palestinians were injured in Balata refugee camp, Nablus, during clashes with IDF.
- IDF search and arrest operations took place during the week in Zawata town, Nablus; Balata refugee camp, Nablus, Tammun town, Tubas; Nablus city; Jenin city; Burin village (Nablus); 'Asira ash Shamalyia town (Nablus); Silat adh Dhahr village, Jenin; and Qabatiya town, Jenin. Twenty-seven Palestinians were reported arrested in these operations.

#### **Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit**

- **7 October:** Settlers from Quedumin settlement prevented Palestinian farmers from reaching their land near Kfur Qaddum allegedly because of the Jewish holidays.
- **10 October:** Three young settlers from Tappuah settlement were arrested by the Israeli Police on the charge of setting fire to an olive grove belonging to farmers from Yasuf in Salfit district. Local villagers trying to put out the fire were allegedly injured subsequently by stones thrown by the settlers.
- Some military operations and search campaigns took place in Jayyous, Deir al Ghusun, Tulkarm refugee camp, Ramin, Seida, Tulkarm town, Irtah, Salfit town, Nur Shams refugee camp and Qalqiliya town. In total, six people were reported arrested. In Seida, the military operation on 6 October resulted in one Palestinian killed.

#### **Ramallah /Al Bireh**

- Throughout the week, IDF search and arrest campaigns took place in Beit 'Ur at Tahta, Kafr 'Ein, Qarawat Bani Zeid, An Nabi Salih and Al Bireh. Eleven Palestinian males were arrested.

#### **Jerusalem**

- IDF search and arrest campaigns occurred in Ar Ram and Dahiyat al Bareed. One Palestinian was reportedly detained.
- Israeli police arrested a Palestinian girl who reportedly attempted to take a weapon from an Israeli police woman.

#### **Hebron/Bethlehem**

- **7 October:** Palestinians opened fire at an Israeli vehicle near Susya settlement, Hebron district, no injuries were reported.
- **7 October:** The IDF held up a bus carrying secondary school students from Al 'Arrub refugee camp at the entrance to Beit Ummar, Hebron district, allegedly beating some of them and arresting three.
- **9 October:** A group of five human rights activists were allegedly ambushed by a group of five to seven settlers after the activists accompanied schoolchildren back from their lessons in At Tuwania, south Hebron. The attack occurred on the road connecting the villages of At Tuwani and Tuba, in front of the settlement of Ma'on.
- **6, 7 and 9 October:** Throughout the day, Palestinians stoned IDF soldiers at the site of the construction of the Barrier near 'Ayda camp, Bethlehem district. The IDF responded with tear gas canisters and rubber coated metal bullets but no injuries were reported.
- **11 October:** An Israeli Border Police soldier was stabbed by a Palestinian near the Ibrahimi Mosque, Hebron city, the soldier was transferred to hospital and the Palestinian was arrested.
- **6 October to date:** Search and arrest campaigns took place in Hebron city, Yatta, Al 'Arrub camp, Beit Awwa, Bethlehem, Al Khader, Ad Doha and 'Ayda camp. Approximately 70 Palestinians were arrested.

#### **Gaza**

- **6 October:** One Thai worker was killed along with three alleged Hamas activists inside the Israeli settlement of Kfar Darom.

*Sources: OCHA FCUs, UNRWA, UNSECCORD, UNSCO, Palestinian DCLs, Palestinian Governors' offices, Al Mezan Center for Human Rights, IDF*

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## Appendix: Checkpoints Status 6 - 12 October 2004

Checkpoint	Status
<b>Tulkarm/Qalqiliya</b>	
Taybeh	The checkpoint / barrier gate was re-opened 8 October, however only for international organisations and commercial traffic through the back-to-back system (since movement to Israel is suspended) from 7am to 6pm. The checkpoint remains closed on Saturday.
Kafriat	The checkpoint is physically divided into three parts: one that controls movement to and from Tulkarm town; one that controls movement to Israel proper and; one that controls movement to and from Jbara. All parts of the checkpoint have been manned during the week. Over the week, the crossing procedures have constantly changed making the movement situation unclear to the local residents.
Qalqiliya DCO	The checkpoint has been un-manned the whole week allowing everyone to cross without discrimination. The gate and observation tower have been dismantled, but the rest of the checkpoint structure is still in place.
Jaljoulia	The checkpoint has been operational over the course of the week. However, access is only granted for holders of permits into Israel proper (mainly settlers and international organisations) and residents of Ras Tira, Ad Dab'a, Wadi Ar Rasha, Ramadin and Arab Abu Farda. Ambulances from Qalqiliya town to these five villages need prior coordination with DCL. Still, only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subjects for security checks.
Deir Ballut	The checkpoint saw no unusual restrictions imposed over the week. In general, the checkpoint restricts movement for Palestinians on that road that leads to Highway 5. The checkpoint is now only open between 6am and 9am and 4pm and 7pm. The checkpoint is used by commuters from Deir Ballut, Rafat, Masha, Ar Zawiya and surrounding villages who daily travel to and from Ramallah. On 10 October, the checkpoint was reported closed during the morning hours and on 11 October; the checkpoint was reported closed the entire day.
<b>Nablus: Shorter opening hours since 30 September in the Nablus area: 6am to 5.30pm.</b>	
<b>Huwara</b> Southern main entrance	Open for holders of Nablus ID-cards over 30 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors.
<b>Beit Iba</b> Western entrance, mainly for trade	Open for holders of Nablus ID-cards over 30 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors. Major delays involving students and a number of young people took place.
<b>Sarra</b> South western entrance, before the closure regime main road to Qalqiliya	Closed except for villagers from Sarra or Qusin, who occasionally are let through.
<b>Qusin</b> Internal closure Between Sarra and Nablus	Closed by a gate and an earth mound since mid March, diverting traffic through Beit Iba checkpoint.
<b>Al Tur</b> Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan district of Jarzim with Nablus city	Only open for Samaritans. The gate is occasionally open for vehicles.
<b>Beit Furik</b> Eastern gate and checkpoint. After the closure regime main gateway Between Nablus and the Jordan valley	Open for villagers from Beit Furik, Beit Dajan, 'Azmut, Deir al Hatab and Salem over 30 years of age. Teachers with IDs from Ministry of Education (about 70) are usually let through.
<b>Shave Shomeron</b> (Sabastia) North west, main road to Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits.
<b>Maale Efrayim</b> South east connecting Jericho and Nablus	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits.
<b>Hamra</b> East, before closure regime main road to Jordan, Tobas, Jenin	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits, or coming from these villages: Frush Beit Dajjan, Al Jiftlik, Bardala, Kardala, Ein Shibli, Al Nassaria and Al Aqrabania (from which villagers occasionally are let through).
<b>Zaatara</b> (Tappouah) South, main road to Ramallah	Permanently manned.
<b>Salem</b> Main entrance to Salem, Deir	Closed by earth wall since March 2004.

Al Hatab and 'Azmut villages	
<b>Al Badhan</b> North entrance to Jordan Valley.	Closed since 17 July. According to Nablus DCL the closure is indefinite.
<b>'17'</b> ('Asira) North entrance for the villages of 'Asira ash-Shamaliyah and the neighbouring villages.	Closed by road blocks.
<b>Jenin</b>	
<b>Al Jalama</b> Main entrance to Israel	Open 24 hours for permit holders.
<b>Dahiat Sabah al Khayr</b> "al Amn al Watani" Northern entrance of Jenin	Open for traders and workers with permits between 7am to 7pm
<b>Salem</b> North western entrance/ "Green Line"	Closed for Palestinians. "Military closed area".
<b>Qaddim</b> (Al Suweitat) South eastern entrance	Partially manned.
<b>Tubas</b>	
<b>Bisan</b> Main entrance to Israel	Open for permit holders.
<b>Tayasir Gate</b> Gate to the Tubas eastern agricultural lands in the Jordan Valley	Closed for Palestinians, except permit holders. 6 to 10 October: IDF closed the gate for all Palestinians.
<b>Ramallah/Al Bireh</b>	
<b>Qalandiya</b>	Open from 6am to 12 midnight. Often long delays caused by slow checking procedures on Saturdays. There is no direct access south to Dahiyat al Bareed and Ar Ram neighbourhoods due to Barrier construction. Traffic to Jerusalem must now take the Atarot road west to Highway 443 through the Bir Nabala checkpoint or the Jaba' road east and then to Hizma checkpoint. Ramallah/Al Bireh residents, Jerusalem ID holders, and foreign passport holders have access without permits. Other oPt Palestinians need permits to cross. Israelis citizens and Arabs from the Golan are prohibited from crossing into Ramallah. Vehicles with West Bank registration cannot pass unless they have a special permit. Ambulances and trucks with food products are permitted to cross.
<b>Bet El/DCO</b>	Open daily from 6am to 10pm. Access in vehicles only for diplomats, foreign passport holders, UN staff, international humanitarian organisations, and Palestinians with special work permits.
<b>Atara Bridge (partial)</b>	Open. Delays sometimes experienced during rush hours.
<b>An Nabi Salih gate (partial)</b>	Gate closed from 8 October and reopened 10 October. Delays sometimes experienced during rush hours
<b>At Tayba</b>	Open. Palestinians do not need permits to cross this checkpoint.
<b>Makkabim</b> On Highway 443	Usually open for Israelis, Jerusalem ID holders and foreign passport holders. Road 443 is off limits to oPt Palestinians, except those with permits to enter Israel/Jerusalem.
<b>Ni'lin</b>	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and Palestinians with permits to enter Israel. Secondary checkpoint at the entrance to Ni'lin village: Usually only residents of Ni'lin and Al Midya, humanitarian organisations and people with special permits can access the western villages through this checkpoint. Restrictions have recently relaxed and other villagers are able to enter.
<b>Rantis</b>	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and oPt Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
<b>Jerusalem</b>	
<b>Hizma</b> Eastern entrance of junction Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev settlement	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals.
<b>Az Za'ayem</b> North eastern entrance on Road 1.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals.
<b>Ar Ram</b> Northern entrance on Road 60 North.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID Card.
<b>Bir Nabala/Atarot</b>	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip



Northern entrance on Road 404 /45 Road Atarot Junction.	Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID Card.
<b>Ramot Alon</b> North western entrance on Road 436	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank and Gaza Strip Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID Card.
<b>Shufat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint</b>	Open for Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, West Bank Palestinians with permits and Internationals.
<b>Container (“Wadi nar”)</b> East of Abu Dis, main transit Between North and South West Bank	Open for Palestinian vehicles with permits (taxis and municipality trucks), humanitarian reasons and for internationals. Permits not required for Palestinian pedestrians.
<b>Jericho</b>	
<b>DCO</b> Main checkpoint off Road 1	Vehicle traffic is open for Jericho residents, Jerusalemites, humanitarian reasons as well as for internationals. West Bank Palestinians unless with a permit are not allowed to enter unless with visa for travel to Jordan. Opening hours: 6am to 10pm.
<b>‘Ein ad Duyuk al Foqa</b> Northern entrance	Open for Jericho residents with proper permits and internationals. Closed for Palestinians with West Bank and Jerusalem ID cards. Opening hours: 6am to 6pm.
<b>Gate opposite Allenby Checkpoint off Road 90</b>	Gate manned by IDF. Closed at all times. Soldiers open the gate for the Shuttle busses taking Palestinians to Allenby Border Crossing to Jordan.
<b>Bethlehem</b>	
<b>Gilo</b> North entrance to Bethlehem	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organisations. No Palestinian-plated cars allowed. Buses queuing to drop off Jewish visitors at Rachel Tombs continue to cause significant delays for inbound and outbound traffic.
<b>Ein Yalow</b> Bypass road east of Walaja, on Green Line	Open 24 hours and only for Israeli-plated cars and international organizations. Only Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs and Palestinians who work for UN and international organisations were allowed to pass.
<b>Beit Jala DCO</b> Entrance to Beit Jala	Open from 7am to 7pm for all traffic. Palestinian public and private vehicles are allowed to pass. Buses of Hebron national bus company are not allowed to cross: the buses drop off passengers at the Al Khader-Husan junction. Delays were experienced for vehicles going out of Bethlehem. On 6 October, an UNRWA mobile clinic was prevented from exiting Bethlehem.
<b>Noqedim</b> South-east of Bethlehem on Route 356 (Zatara area)	Open 24 hours for all vehicles. Delays experienced during this week.
<b>Tunnels</b> Road 60 at Har Gilo	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organisations. Access of Palestinians with permits is denied. Delays experienced.
<b>Settlers’ Checkpoint - Efrata</b> Southern entrance to settlement	Open 24 hours only for settlers. Checkpoint manned by settlers.
<b>Efrata</b> Connecting Road 60 to 356	Open 24 hours.
<b>Gush Etzion</b> On Road 60, at Etzion turn	Palestinian vehicles coming from Hebron and towards Bethlehem district are subject to checks and searches; complete restrictions applied on 6,7 and 8 October in conjunction with the end of the Jewish holiday season.
<b>Wadi Fukin</b> Crossing to Israel on Road 375, Green Line	Access of Palestinians with permits is denied due to the Israeli holidays from 15 September to 7 October.
<b>Al Jaba</b> Crossing to Israel on Road 367, Green Line	Access of Palestinians with permits is denied due to the Israeli holidays from 15 September to 7 October.
<b>Avnot</b> On Road 90, along Dead Sea, near Ein Gedi	On bypass Road 90. Palestinian-plated vehicles not allowed.
<b>Hebron</b>	
<b>Beit Awwa</b> At entrance to Negohot settlement, on Road 354	Closed to all Palestinian traffic. Families living close to the settlement of Negohot unable to drive on the road. Coordination with DCL required for access of service providers.
<b>Ras Al Joura</b> At crossing Between Roads 35 and 60, north of Hebron	The checkpoint is manned and the gate into Hebron is open from 7am to 6pm for UN, humanitarian organisations and Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs. Delays were experienced during the week, but particularly on 9 October.
<b>Tarqumiya</b> Entrance for commercial goods (back-to-back), west of Hebron on Road 35 for both	Closed for all Palestinian traffic, no movement of Palestinian allowed into Israel. Transit is allowed for humanitarian cases with permits and commercial trucks.

Hebron and Bethlehem districts	
<b>Shima</b> On Road 60, east of Samoa	Not manned after 31 August.
<b>Ar Rifa'iyya</b> On Road 317, east of Yatta	Not manned after 31 August.
<b>Meitar</b> On Road 60, Green Line after intersection with Tene settlement road.	Manned by Border Police. Open 24 Hours
<b>Shani</b> At turn for Shani settlement on Road 317.	Manned by the IDF
<b>Beit Yatir</b> On Road 316, at the turn for the settlement of Beit Yatir	Manned by IDF. Open 24 hours.
<b>Prayers Road, H2</b> Access to area of Ibrahimi Mosque	Closed to Palestinians.
<b>Shohada street, H2</b> Western entrance to Shohada street	Open to Palestinians living beyond it and in the Tel Rumeida area in accordance with a list held by the IDF at the checkpoint. Access possible only on foot.
<b>Ibrahimi Mosque, H2</b> Access to the Mosque	Access was denied for Palestinians going to pray due to an agreement between the Israeli Government and the Palestinian Authority - allowed access to one party during its feasts.
<b>Bab Al Baladiyye , H2</b> (formerly Shalala street) Next to settlement of Beit Romano	The checkpoint is closed to Palestinians in the direction of Shuhada street. Physical searches conducted by the IDF on Palestinians walking towards or coming from the market.
<b>Qarantina, H2</b> Junction with Shohada street	Closed to Palestinians
<b>Bab Al-Khan, H2</b> Entrance to Avraham Avinu settlement	Closed to Palestinians in the direction of Shuhada street and north towards the market.
<b>Tel Rumeida, H2</b> Beginning of street leading to settlement	Open only to Palestinians on foot living between it and the settlement
<b>Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints</b>	
Erez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Since 31 August, Erez terminal has been closed for Palestinians.</li> <li>- Only diplomats or service visa holders travelling with diplomats can cross by car. UN security regulations do not permit crossing on foot. The "humanitarian road" to Erez can be used only by 4x4 vehicles.</li> </ul>
Erez Industrial zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Since 31 August, Erez Industrial Zone has been closed</li> </ul>
Netzarim Junction	Closed since 8 October 2003.
Abu Houli junction	<p>Checkpoint was open as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 6 October closed</li> <li>- 7 October closed</li> <li>- 8 October closed</li> <li>- 9 October open from 10.30am to 2pm</li> <li>- 10 October closed</li> <li>- 11 October open from 1:30pm to 5pm</li> <li>- 12 October closed</li> </ul> <p>Since 17 June 2004, Palestinian private cars have not been permitted to cross Abu Houli junction.</p>
Abu Al Ajin road	Closed
Gaza Int'l Airport	Closed
West Morag Junction	Closed
Beach Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Since 27 September, Beach Road is closed.</li> <li>- On 9 October, the road was reopened from 10.30 am to 4pm.</li> <li>- On 11 October, the road was reopened from 12pm to 5pm.</li> </ul>
Al Muntar Junction	Closed

#### Commercial checkpoints:

**Tulkarm/Qalqiliya**

Qalqiliya DCO	The back-to-back system has not been in use since all trucks have had full access to Qalqiliya town.
Taybeh	The back-to-back system was fully operational again from 8 October from 7am to 6pm. The back-to-back system cannot operate on Saturday ; closed on Saturdays
<b>Nablus: Shorter opening hours since 30 September in the Nablus area: 6am to 5.30pm.</b>	
<b>Awarta checkpoint</b> Main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003.	Open for incoming and outgoing goods. IDF closed the checkpoint from pm on 6 October until the evening of 9 October.
<b>Jenin</b>	
<b>Al Jalama</b> Northern entrance/ main commercial check point.	Open only for food products.
<b>Ramallah/Al Bireh</b>	
<b>Beituniya</b> New back-to-back terminal is being built near the Barrier construction beside Beituniya.	Officially open 6am to 5pm Sunday to Thursday, 6am to 1pm on Fridays and closed Saturdays. However, checkpoint often opens late in the mornings between 6.30am to 7am depending on the IDF. Open for commercial goods (back-to-back system in operation), ICRC and UN vehicles only.
<b>Jericho</b>	
Back-to-back checkpoint/DCO checkpoint	Open, but only for basic necessities diary products Other goods need a permit to be brought inn. Closed from Friday afternoon to Sunday morning. Opening hours: 6am to 8pm.
<b>Gaza Strip</b>	
<b>Karni</b>	On 1, 2 and 3 October, Karni crossing was closed.
<b>Sufa</b>	On 3 October, Sufa terminal was reopened for construction materials only.

#### Road Gates

Gate	Status
<b>Tulkarm/Qalqiliya</b>	
<b>Karni</b>	Partially open.
<b>Sufa</b>	On 3 October, Sufa terminal was reopened for construction materials only.

#### Separation Barrier Gates

<b>Jenin</b>	
<b>Imreiha (Reikhan)</b> Main terminal to Umm ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with green permit. 6am to 10pm.
<b>Um ar Rihan</b> Western gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Open only for school students from Um ar Rihan enclave two times a day.
<b>Barta'a</b> Southern gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Open only for school students from Um ar Rihan enclave two times a day.
<b>Anin</b> Northern gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Um ar Rihan enclave	Closed for Palestinians.
<b>At Tayba 1</b> North western gate	Military gate. Closed for Palestinians.
<b>At Tayba 2</b> North western gate	Agricultural gate. Usually closed for Palestinians.
<b>Jalboun</b> Eastern gate	Military gate. Closed for Palestinians.

<b>Tulkarm</b> <b>Note:</b> All other gates in Tulkarm district are closed for farmers. Gate Code refers to same code as indicated in OCHA Barrier Report.		
T1	Qaffin	A seasonal gate and therefore only open during harvest season. Opening hours are: 5.30am to 6:30am, 11am to 12pm, and 4pm to 5pm.
T2	Nazlat Isa North	Closed. This gate was originally announced as a seasonal gate, but IDF saw no need for this gate to be opened.
T3	Nazlat Isa	Open and manned by the IDF 24 hrs. Access is normally restricted to only allow permanent residents behind the Barrier to cross, but farmers from Nazlat Isa are allowed to use this gate during harvest season only to reach their land between the barrier and green line just south of Nazlat Isa.
T6	Attil	Opening hours are: 7am to 8am, 11am to 12pm, and 2pm to 3pm
T7	Deir al Ghusun	Opening hours are: 7am to 8am, 11am to 12pm, and 2pm to 3pm.
T12	Faroun	Closed. Has been announced as a seasonal gate, and was meant to be open, but IDF is facing technical problems.
T13	Khirbet Jbara	Closed. IDF had in August announced that this gate would be open for farmers from Ar Ras, but the decision has been changed.
T14	Kfur Sur	Opening hours: 6.30am to 7.30am, 12.30pm to 1.30pm, and 4pm to 5pm
<b>Qalqiliya</b> <b>Note:</b> All other gates in Qalqiliya district are closed.		
Q1	Falamya North	Opening hours are: 6am to 8am, 12.30pm to 1.30pm, 4pm to 5pm
Q3	Jayyous North	Opening hours are: 5.30am to 6.30am, 7.15am to 8.15am, 12.30pm to 1.30pm, 4pm to 5pm.
Q4	Jayyous South	Opening hours are: 6.45am to 7am, 1.45pm to 2pm, 5.10pm to 5.30pm
Q5	Zufim	Open and manned by IDF 24 hrs
Q9	Qalqiliya Habla	Opening hours are: 6.30am to 7.45am, 12pm to 1.15pm, 4.45pm to 6pm
Q11	Isla	Opening hours are: 6.30am to 8.30am, 1pm to 1.20pm, 4pm to 5pm
Q14	Ras at Tira	Opening hours are: 6am to 8am, 12.30pm to 1.45pm, 4.30pm to 5.30pm
Q16	Habla	Opening hours are: 6.30am to 7.45 am, 12pm to 1.15pm, 4.45pm to 6pm
Q17	Ras Atiya West	Opening hours are: 5.45am to 6.20am, 12.30pm to 12.50pm, and 5.10pm to 5.30pm. This gate is normally a military gate, and is only open during harvest.
Q18	Izbat Jalud	Opening hours are: 8.15am to 8.30am, 1.30pm to 1.45pm, 5.15pm to 5.30pm
Q19	Izbat Salman	Opening hours are 6am to 8am, 12.25pm to 12.40pm, 4pm to 5pm
Q20	Azzun Atma	Open and manned by IDF 24 hours
<b>Salfit</b>		
S1	Masha North	Opening hours are: 5.30am to 7am, 12.50pm to 1.10pm, 3.30pm to 4.30pm
S2	Masha	Opening hours are: 7.15am to 8.30am, 4.40pm to 5.40pm. This gate is only open during harvest