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1. Casualties

Palestinians: Deaths: 8
 Injured: 13 (approximate)
 Israelis: Deaths: 0
 Injured: 3 (approximate)

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

2. Incidents involving ambulances and medical teams

West Bank:

Denial of access: 1

Delay (30 minutes): 2

Shooting/Damage to Ambulance: 1

- **26 January:** A PRCS ambulance was subjected to Israeli Army gunfire while en route to evacuate an injured person in Kufr Saba, Qalqilya. The crew had to return. No injuries or damage to the ambulance was reported.

The Gaza Strip:

Denial of access: 0

Delay (30 minutes): 3

Shooting/Damage to Ambulance: 0

- **1 February:** Three MoH ambulances were delayed from 8am until 2.30pm at the Rafah Terminal. The three ambulances were transporting Palestinian patients from the Gaza Strip to Egypt.
- **14 January ongoing:** No Palestinian patients, with few exceptions, have been permitted through Erez for further treatment in Israel or the West Bank.

Sources: OCHA FCU, PRCS, Palestinian MoH

3. Curfews

Curfew was reported in the following locations:

Date	Location	Number of days/hours
26 to 28 January	Seida, Tulkarm Governorate	3 days

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

4. House demolitions/Demolition orders/People displaced

West Bank:

- **26 January:** Three house eviction orders were delivered to three households in Seida. The orders have not yet been put into effect.
- **26 January:** Six Palestinian houses from Wadi Ar Rasha in Qalqilya Governorate received demolition orders from the IDF.
- **27 January:** The Israeli High Court of Justice issued a temporary injunction prohibiting the IDF from demolishing any houses in Wadi Ar Rasha.

The Gaza Strip:

- No incidents reported.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA

5. Land levelling/Requisitions¹

West Bank:

- **29 January:** The IDF delivered a copy of land requisition orders, through the Palestinian DCL, for Barrier Construction for the Bir Nabala planned enclave. 1,466.1 dunums (146.6 hectares) of land will be affected by Barrier construction. Land in the affected area belongs to Palestinians from five villages: Bir Nabala, Al Jeeb, Beit Hanina, Rafat and Qalandia. More than 3,000 dunums (300 hectares) of Al Jeeb agricultural land will be west of the Barrier.
- **30 January:** The IDF continued levelling a stretch of agricultural land in Khallat Al Furn and Sha'ab Humar near Khalail Al Magribi (south of Hebron city). Work started on 25 January and an additional 40 dunums (4 hectares) were added to the 140 dunums (14 hectares) already taken.
- **1 February:** The IDF issued new requisition orders for the Barrier north of Ariel settlement in Salfit District covering some 150 dunums (15 hectares). The land belongs to villagers mainly from Deir Istiya and Immatin.
- Land levelling and uprooting of olive trees between the Israeli Ariel settlement and Salfit town have been ongoing throughout the week in preparation for construction of the Barrier.
- Land levelling near the area of Deir Ballout and Al Zawiya has been ongoing throughout the week in preparation for construction of the Barrier.
- Levelling of land near Kafriat checkpoint in Tulkarm Governorate continued throughout the week in preparation a new tunnel under Road 57.

The Gaza Strip:

- No incidents reported.

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

6. Closure²/Restrictions on movement

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit governorates:

- In Tulkarm Governorate, the IDF maintained eased movement restrictions. Although all parts of Kafriat checkpoint remained manned during the week, no restrictions were imposed on Palestinian-plated vehicles, which in general could freely cross the checkpoint. No restrictions were imposed on Palestinians with Israeli IDs travelling to Tulkarm town. Israeli yellow-plated cars had to be parked outside the town. Since the curfew was lifted in Seida on 28 January, the IDF has kept the village under closure restricting movement in and out of the village. Earth mounds have been built in front of the entrances. A number of houses that were occupied by the IDF during the curfew remain occupied.
- In Qalqiliya Governorate, no restrictions were imposed on the local populations residing in and travelling on the eastern side of the Barrier. The tunnel between Qalqiliya town and Habla remained open for Palestinians the entire week. No restrictions were imposed on Palestinians with Israeli IDs travelling to Qalqiliya town.
- **18 January:** The IDF introduced new electronic checking procedures at the Barrier gate into Azzun Atma in Qalqiliya Governorate. These procedures have caused delays for residents, teachers and school children in particular.
- In Salfit District, 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. Three road blocks/earth mounds in particular near Kafr Dik, Qarawat Bani Hassan and Yasuf severely hamper movement.

Nablus/Jenin/Tubas governorates:

- **26 January:** The IDF removed earth mounds at the main entrance of Beita village, Nablus District.
- **26 January to date:** Long delays were experienced at Tayasir gate, Tubas District.
- **26 January to date:** The IDF set up flying checkpoints on Road 60 near Al Lubban ash Sharqiya village, Nablus District.
- **29 January:** The IDF closed Beit Iba checkpoint, Nablus city, for more than three hours preventing Palestinians movement in and out of the city. The closure was due to a suspicious vehicle parked in the area.
- **31 January:** The IDF set up a flying checkpoint at the main entrance of Burin village, Nablus District, impeding the movement of residents travelling in and out of the village.
- **31 January:** A four member group from the World Council of Churches was denied access to Nablus at Huwwara checkpoint.

Ramallah/Al Bireh governorates:

- The partial checkpoint at Atara Bridge operated on a daily basis throughout the week during the morning and late afternoon rush hours. According to the Palestinian DCL, long delays were reported.
- Long delays were reported at An Nabi Salih gate throughout the week. On 30 January, the IDF stopped all cars going through the gate.
- The IDF set up a checkpoint at the entrance to 'Abud on almost a daily basis during the morning and late afternoon rush hours.

¹ 4 dunums = 1 acre; 10 dunums = 1 hectare

² For a reference West Bank checkpoint map please check the following link: http://www.reliefweb.int/hic-opt/maps/Closure/mar/checkpoints_july04.pdf

Jerusalem/Jericho governorates:

- IDF mobile checkpoints function on a daily basis at the entrance to Al 'Eizariya-Ma'ale Adumim settlement resulting in delays.
- IDF mobile checkpoints at the junctions of Road 1-Road 437 and Al 'Eizariya-Ma'ale Adumim have stopped Palestinian vehicular movement on Road 1 for several hours every Saturday after Shabbath.
- Palestinian pedestrian movement from the Abu Dis area to Jerusalem has become increasingly more difficult since Israeli Border Police have been stopping Palestinians daily at the Monastery gate. Access to education, health and other services in East Jerusalem to Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards is denied by the Israeli Border Police.
- **23 January:** Starting on this date, the Jericho DCO checkpoint will be open until 12am for Jericho residents and Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs. Palestinians from West Bank are still not allowed to enter Jericho unless they are travelling to Jordan and can provide the necessary documents.

Jerusalem Barrier:

- **North:** Construction of the Barrier is continuing along Road 60, the main road, between Qalandiya and Ar-Ram checkpoints. Land levelling and construction of the Barrier are also taking place alongside the road between Hizma and Anata villages, as well as north of Neve Ya'akov and south of Pisgat Ze'ev settlements. Concrete slabs were constructed along the road near Hizmah checkpoint and the road to Jaba .
- **East:** The IDF has closed the area known as the Gate near Al 'Eizariyy - Ras Al Amoud. Palestinians currently use the Monastery gate where Israeli Border Police are present to check for permits. Construction of the Barrier is continuing in Ash Sheikh Sa'ad, Sawahriya ash Sharqiya, Abu Dis, and Al 'Eizariyya. Construction is nearly completed from the Mount of Olives to the hill just south of Al Quds University in Abu Dis. Barrier construction in Sur Bahir started in the beginning of January on the eastern and southern side of the village.
- **Northwest:** Construction of the Barrier is on hold due to court decision and an appeal by the residents of Beit Ijzah and Bidu except in .in Al-Tira, where construction continued. Israeli Border Police closed the main entrance Nabi Sammuell area and people were instructed not to use the area to travel to Bir Nabalab . Instead people used the northern entrance near Beit Ijzah and the Givaat Hadasha settlement.

Hebron/Bethlehem governorates:

- **26 January:** The second bus seized by the Israeli Border Police in the village of Al Walaja (Bethlehem Governorate), has been released (The first bus was already released). The bus is currently back transporting local residents isolated by the closures imposed on the village.
- **27 January:** The IDF closed the gate at the entrance of Beit Ummar village north of Hebron city for one day due to a security concern in the area.
- **1 February:** The IDF closed the only access road to the village of An Nu'man; the residents had no vehicular access to the West Bank.
- During January, 2,234 permits were issued for Christians from Bethlehem to reach Jerusalem, while another 200 permits were issued for Muslims from Bethlehem to visit holy places in Jerusalem during the Eid Al-Adha feast (20 to 23 of January).

The enclosed areas in the Gaza Strip:

- **As-Seafa:** Since December 2004, the IDF has allowed nine people with As-Seafa IDs to go in and out on foot, for one time only, with prior coordination, in order 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 3.30pm to 4.30pm. No vehicles are permitted to enter or exit. Coordination for international organisations to enter the area has been extremely problematic.
- According to an IDF order, 41 Palestinians, As-Seafa residents, were requested to submit coordination requests at least two days in advance.
- **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 had been required for unmarried females with Al Mawassi IDs who are between the ages of 18 and 25. Women are now allowed in and out with no age restrictions. Vehicles are not allowed to pass, with some exceptions given for international agencies that have undertaken prior coordination with the IDF.
- **26 to 27 January:** Al Tuffah checkpoint was closed. No entry or exit was permitted.
- **28, 29 and 30 January:** Al Tuffah checkpoint was reopened for people leaving al Mawassi only, and food and other goods were allowed in.
- **On 31 January:** Al Tuffah checkpoint was open both directions.
- **Al Maa'ni:** 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 into 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.

7. Access to schools:

West Bank:

- **29 January:** School children started a new semester. In Azzun Atma in Qalqiliya governorate, teachers and school children were delayed for approximately an hour and 30 minutes in the morning due to the new electronic checking procedures at the Barrier gate.
- **30 January:** Four school children were lightly wounded by rubber-coated metal bullets near their school in Burqa village, Nablus District, due to clashes with the IDF.
- **30 January:** Around noon, an IDF patrol fired three shock grenades into the playground of An Nabi Salih primary school. No injuries were reported.
- In Seida in Tulkarm Governorate, access to the schools has been problematic for both teachers and pupils because of ongoing IDF presence in the village. (Curfew in the area was lifted on 28 January.)
- Students from Abu Dis and Al 'Eizariya, East Jerusalem, are experiencing difficulties reaching schools in Jerusalem Governorate.

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The Gaza Strip:

- **31 January:** Palestinian officials say a 10-year-old UNRWA girl pupil died due to IDF gunfire and another girl was injured. Both girls were inside an UNRWA school in Rafah at the time of the incident. The IDF is investigating the incident.
- During the reporting period, the 24 pupils living in As-Seafa were not able to reach their schools on time. They were delayed leaving through the As Seafa gate until late morning. Upon return, the pupils were delayed for four hours before being permitted to re-enter through the gate at 3:30pm.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, UNICEF, Palestinian DCL

8. Labour/trade movement to Israel (January)

West Bank:

- In Hebron District, 2,145 workers' permits were issued and 495 permits were issued for traders. In Bethlehem District, 397 workers' permits were issued and 52 permits were issued for traders.
- In Nablus District, 1,011 workers' permits were issued and 299 permits were issued for traders. In Jenin District, 299 workers' permits and 285 permits for traders were issued. In Tubas District, 116 trade permits were issued.
- In Jericho, a total of 509 permits, of 677 submitted were approved.

Gaza:

- In the Gaza Strip, 1,075 permits for Palestinian merchants and agricultural workers aged 35 years and above were issued (as reported previously). However, since 14 January, no Palestinians were permitted through, with the exception of 75 Palestinian factory owners entering Erez Industrial zone.

Sources: OCHA FCU, UNRWA, UNSCO, Palestinian DCL

9. Other:

Nablus/Jenin/Tubas

- **26 January:** The head of the village council of 'Atouf village, Tubas District, was killed by an unexploded ordnance while he was working on his land.
- **26 January:** The IDF exchanged fire with Palestinian militants in Balata camp, Nablus District. One resident in the camp was injured.
- **31 January:** Palestinian militants fired at an Israeli patrol in Jenin city. No injuries were reported.
- **31 January:** Palestinian militants fired at an Israeli base near Qaddim, Jenin District. No injuries were reported.
- **24 January:** An exchange of fire took place between IDF soldiers and Palestinian militants in Nablus city. No injuries were reported.
- **1 February:** One Israeli settler was injured near Migdalim settlement (Majdal Bani Fadel), bypass Road 505, when a Molotov cocktail was thrown at his car.
- IDF search-and-arrest campaigns took place during the week in the following locations: Nablus city, Camp No 1, Balata camp, Tubas, Jenin city, Silat adh Dhahr, Silat al Harithiya, Jaba' (Jenin District). Seven Palestinians were reported arrested in these operations.

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit

- **26 January:** In Qalqiliya, one Palestinian was killed in his vehicle and three others were injured when the IDF opened fire at the vehicle. Two of the wounded were detained.
- **28 January:** The IDF closed the area around Iskaka village in Salfit District after confrontations occurred between Palestinians and the IDF.
- IDF search-and-arrest campaigns took place during the week in Seida (Tulkarm) and Azzun (Qalqiliya). More than 35 persons have been reported arrested, the majority in Seida.

Ramallah /Al Bireh

- IDF patrols carried out house searches on a regular basis in the Bani Zeid cluster. One Palestinian male from Beit Rima was arrested.
- **26 January:** A 26-year-old Palestinian male prisoner from Kafr Malik died in a fire in a tent in Megiddo prison. The fire was reportedly an electrical one.
- **28 January:** An 11-year-old boy from Deir Jarir died of severe injuries he received two days earlier when an IDF ordnance exploded in the village. The child had both hands amputated. A second child who was injured was released from hospital.
- **31 January:** An IDF patrol detained two 10-year-old boys inside a military vehicle in 'Abud for about 30 minutes. The children were suspected of throwing stones at settlers.

Hebron/Bethlehem

- **26 January:** The IDF occupied a two-storey building in Adh Dhahiriya town south west of Hebron. The house was used as observation post. The residents (four families) of the house were held in one room for eight hours.
- IDF search-and-arrest campaigns took place in Bethlehem, one arrest was reported. In Hebron, search-and-arrest campaigns took place in Ah Dahiriya, Tarqumiya, Al Burj, Yatta and Hebron city. A total of 13 Palestinians were detained.

Gaza:

- **26 January:** Two homemade rockets were fired from south of Beit Hanoun in the direction of the western Negev in Israel.
- **26 January:** The IDF installed a concrete wall east of Beach Road.
- **26 January:** A three-year-old girl was shot dead by IDF gunfire in Dair Al Balah.
- **28 January:** Palestinian security forces began deploying in the middle and southern areas of the Gaza Strip.
- **1 February:** Two Israeli settlers were injured in a mortar attack on Gush Qatief settlements' block.

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 26 January – 1 February 2005

Checkpoint	Status
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya/Salfit	
Taybeh	The checkpoint has been open for international organisations and diplomatic vehicles the entire week as well as for commercial trucks using the back-to-back system between 7.30 am and 5pm. Due to construction work in front of the Barrier gate (in preparation for the new industrial zone), all traffic is now forced to take a diversion to enter Tulkarm from this side. The checkpoint remains closed every Saturday.
Efrayim	The checkpoint constitutes a terminal into Israel and is only open for Palestinian workers and traders and others from Tulkarm Governorate with a special permit. The checkpoint can only be crossed by foot and is open daily between 5am to 5pm.
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, but there has been access for vehicles.
Qalqiliya DCO	The checkpoint has been un-manned throughout the whole. The gate and observation tower have been dismantled, but the rest of the checkpoint structure is still in place.
Jaljoulia	Access through this checkpoint is only granted for holders of permits into Israel (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 the DCL. Only vehicles leaving the West Bank are subject to security checks.
Deir Ballout	There were no unusual restrictions imposed during the week. In general, the checkpoint prohibits movement for Palestinians on the road that leads to Highway 5 and restricts movement on that road that leads to Ramallah. The checkpoint is officially open between 6am and 6pm.
Nablus: Opening hours: 6am to 5.30pm.	
Huwara Southern main entrance	Open for Palestinians over 25 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors.
Beit Iba Western entrance, mainly for trade	Open for Palestinians over 25 years old, students, teachers and medical doctors.
Sarra South western entrance, before the closure regime main road to Qalqiliya	Closed except for villagers from Sarra or Qusin, who occasionally are let through.
Qusin Internal closure between Sarra and Nablus	Closed by a gate and an earth mound since mid March 2004, diverting traffic through Beit Iba checkpoint.
Al Tur Southern checkpoint connecting the Samaritan District of Jarzim with Nablus city	Only open for Samaritans. The gate is occasionally open for vehicles.
Beit Furik 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 25 years of age. Teachers with IDs from Ministry of Education (about 70) are usually let through.
Shave Shomeron (Sabastia) Northwest, main road to Jenin	According to IDF, the checkpoint was removed 4 December 2004. Soldiers have occasionally been observed in the checkpoint.
Maale Efrayim Southeast connecting Jericho and Nablus	Closed for Palestinians unless having permits.
Hamra East, before closure regime main road to Jordan, Tubas, 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).
Zaatara (Tappouah) South, main road to Ramallah	Permanently manned.
Salim Main entrance to Salem, Deir	Open for Palestinians from the three villages of Salem, Deir Al Hatab and 'Azmut. Partially manned after an earth mound was removed 8 December 2004.

Al Hatab and 'Azmut villages	
Jenin	
Al Jalama Main entrance to Israel	Open 24 hours for permit holders.
Dahiat Sabah al Khayr “al Amn al Watani” Northern entrance of Jenin	Open for traders and workers with permits between 7am and 7pm.
Imreiha (Reikhan) Main gate to the Barta'a ash-Sharqiya/ Umm ar Rihan enclave	Open for Palestinians with green permit. 6am to 10pm.
Tubas	
Bisan Main entrance to Israel	Open for permit holders.
Tayasir Gate Gate to the Tubas eastern agricultural lands in the Jordan Valley	Closed for Palestinians, except for those residing in these villages: Bardala, Kardala, 'Ein el Beida, Al Farisiya, Al Malih and Khirbet Tell el Himma. No agricultural permits have been issued for Palestinian farmers from Tayasir, Al 'Aqaba and Ath Thaghra to reach their land on the eastern side of the checkpoint since 18 December 04.
Ramallah/Al Bireh	
Qalandiya	Open daily from 4.30am to 12 midnight for vehicles and 24 hours for pedestrians. 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.
Bet El/DCO	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.
Atara Bridge (partial)	Open. Long delays were reported on a daily basis.
An Nabi Salih gate (partial)	Open. Long delays were reported on a daily basis.
At Tayba	Open. Palestinians do not need permits to cross this checkpoint.
Makkabim 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.
Ni'lin	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 relaxed and other villagers are able to enter, but Palestinians are frequently detained or delayed.
Rantis	Usually open for Jerusalem ID holders, foreign passport holders and oPt Palestinians with permits to enter Israel.
Jerusalem	
Hizma Eastern entrance of junction Road 437/Psigat Ze'ev settlement	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Palestinians with permits and internationals.
Az Za'ayyem North eastern entrance on Road 1.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Palestinians with permits and internationals.
Ar Ram Northern entrance on Road 60 north.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Bir Nabala/Atarot Northern entrance on Road 404 /45 Road Atarot Junction.	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Ramot Alon North western entrance on Road 436	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Palestinians with permits and internationals. UN staff requested on several occasions to show personal ID/national passports in addition to their UN ID card.
Shufat Refugee Camp/ Anata Checkpoint	Open for Israelis, Palestinians with Jerusalem ID cards, and Palestinians with permits and internationals.
Container (“Wadi nar”) 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.

Jericho	
DCO Main checkpoint off Road 1	Vehicular traffic is permissible for Jericho residents, Jerusalem ID holders, and humanitarian reasons as well as for internationals. West Bank Palestinians are not allowed to enter unless they have a permit or a visa for travel to Jordan. Open hours: 6am to 12am.
‘Ein ad Duyuk al Foqa Northern entrance	Open for Jericho residents with proper permits and for internationals. Closed for Palestinians with West Bank and Jerusalem ID cards. Opening hours are 6am to 6pm.
Gate opposite Allenby Checkpoint off Road 90	Gate manned by the IDF. Closed at all times. Soldiers open the gate for shuttle busses taking Palestinians to Allenby Border Crossing to Jordan.
Bethlehem	
Gilo North entrance to Bethlehem	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organisations. No Palestinian-plated cars allowed. Only Palestinian Jerusalem permit holders are allowed to pass. Occasionally, both lanes are open to traffic allowing for an increased flow of inbound and outbound movement.
Ein Yalow Bypass road east of Walaja, on Green Line	Open 24 hours and only for Israeli-plated cars and international organisations and Palestinians with Jerusalem IDs.
Beit Jala DCO Entrance to Beit Jala	Open from 7am to 7pm for all traffic. Palestinian public and private vehicles are allowed to pass.
Noqedim Southeast of Bethlehem on Route 356 (Zatara area)	Open 24 hours for all vehicles.
Tunnels Road 60 at Har Gilo	Open 24 hours for humanitarian organisations and Palestinians with valid Jerusalem permits.
Settlers’ Checkpoint - Efrata Southern entrance to settlement	Open 24 hours only for settlers. Checkpoint manned by settlers; movement beyond it restricted for Palestinians.
Efrata Connecting Road 60 to 356	Open 24 hours. Vehicles coming from both directions are subjected to checks and searches.
Gush Etzion On Road 60, at Etzion turn	Open 24 hours. Palestinian vehicles coming from Hebron and toward Bethlehem District are subject to checks and searches.
Wadi Fukin Crossing to Israel on Road 375, Green Line	Open 24 hours. Palestinian workers and traders with valid permits are allowed to cross.
Al Jaba Crossing to Israel on Road 367, Green Line	Open 24 hours. Palestinian workers and traders with valid permits are allowed to cross
Avnot On Road 90, along Dead Sea, near Ein Gedi	On bypass Road 90. Palestinian-plated vehicles not allowed.
Hebron	
Beit Awwa At entrance to Negohot settlement, on Road 354	Closed to all Palestinian traffic. Families living close to the settlement of Negohot are unable to drive on the road. Coordination with DCL required for access of service providers.
Ras Al Joura At crossing between Roads 35 and 60, north of Hebron	The checkpoint is not manned and the gate into Hebron is closed as the alternative route on Halhul bridge is open.
Tarqumiya Entrance for commercial goods (back-to-back), west of Hebron on Road 35 for both Hebron and Bethlehem districts	The checkpoint is open for workers and traders with valid permits. Commercial trucks from Israel have entered to the back-to-back area without restrictions. Families of prisoners are allowed to pass to visit their relatives.
Meitar On Road 60, Green Line after intersection with Tene settlement road.	Manned by Israeli Border Police. Open 24 hours. Palestinians with valid permits are allowed to pass.
Shani At turn for Shani settlement on Road 317.	Manned by the IDF. Checkpoint expanded to include more permanent structures.
Beit Yatir On Road 316, at the turn for the settlement of Beit Yatir	Manned by the IDF. Open 24 hours. Residents of Imneizeil village are allowed to cross but other Palestinians are asked for permits. Teachers from other areas are allowed to pass in accordance with a list held by the IDF at the checkpoint.
Prayers Road, H2 Access to area of Ibrahimi Mosque	Closed to Palestinians.
Shohada Street, H2	Open to Palestinians living beyond it and in the Tel Rumeida area in accordance with a list

Western entrance to Shohada Street	held by the IDF at the checkpoint. Access possible only on foot.
Ibrahimi Mosque, H2 Access to the mosque	Worshippers and visitors searched upon entry.
Bab Al Baladiyye , H2 (formerly Shalala Street) Next to settlement of Beit Romano	The checkpoint is closed to Palestinians heading in the direction of Shuhada Street. Physical searches are conducted by the IDF on Palestinians walking toward or coming from the market.
Qarantina, H2 Junction with Shohada Street	Closed to Palestinians
Bab Al-Khan, H2 Entrance to Avraham Avinu settlement	Closed to Palestinians heading in the direction of Shuhada Street and north toward the market.
Tel Rumeida, H2 Beginning of street leading to settlement	Open only to Palestinians travelling by foot living between it and the settlement.
Gaza Crossings/Checkpoints	
Erez	Only diplomats or service visa holders travelling with diplomats can cross by car. A number of UN internationals holding service visas have, since 21 October, been able to cross without diplomats, following IDF coordination. On 11 January, Erez checkpoint was reopened for a small number of Palestinian agricultural worker and traders aged 35 and older. Since 14 January, Erez was completely closed for Palestinians and internationals.
Erez Industrial Zone	Since 31 August, Erez Industrial Zone has been closed
Netzarim Junction	Closed from the early morning until 3pm on 30 December 2004.
Abu Houli Junction	Checkpoint was open as follows: 26 January 5am to 7.30am, 12pm - 27 January 6am to 9pm 28 January 6am to 8.30pm 29 January 5am to 10pm 30 January 5am to 9pm, with several short closures during the day 31 January 5am to 9.30pm 1 February 5am to 9pm Since 17 June 2004, Palestinian private cars have not been permitted to cross Abu Houli Junction. 25 January: the IDF expanded the opening hours of the checkpoints: 7am until 6pm.
Abu Al Ajin Road	Closed
Salah Edin at Kfar Darom	Closed
West Morag Junction	Closed
Beach Road	Open the entire week, 24 hours.
Al Muntar Junction	Closed
Rafah Passenger Terminal	Since 12 December, the terminal was completely closed. From 21 to 31 January, the terminal was open for arrivals only. On 1 February, Rafah Terminal opened to travel in both directions, but departure was restricted for patients and people with residency permits and citizenships in other countries. People aged 16 and 35 are not allowed to leave even if they are from the above mentioned group.

Commercial checkpoints:

Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Taybeh	The back-to-back system has been operational from 7.30am to 5pm. However, due to ongoing construction work in front of the Barrier gate, all trucks must now take a diversion to reach the back-to-back yard. The back-to-back system remains closed every Saturday.
Qalqiliya DCO	The back-to-back system has not been in use since all trucks have had full access to Qalqiliya town.
Nablus: Shorter opening hours since 30 September in the Nablus area: 6am to 5.30pm.	
Awarta checkpoint Main commercial checkpoint in Nablus since July 2003.	Open from 7.30am to 5.30pm.
Jenin	
Al Jalama Northern entrance/ main commercial checkpoint.	Open from 8am to 4 pm. Transit of trucks needs liaison by Palestinian DCL.

Ramallah/Al Bireh	
Beituniya New back-to-back checkpoint is now in operation.	Officially open 6am to 5pm Sunday to Thursday, 6am to 1pm on Fridays and closed Saturdays. Open for commercial goods and a back-to-back system is in operation. Only Palestinians from Kafr 'Aqab and Sameeramees holding Jerusalem IDs and driving Israeli yellow-plated trucks are allowed to pass through this checkpoint without using the back-to-back system. This checkpoint is not open for private cars or pedestrians. ICRC and UN vehicles are permitted to cross.
Jericho	
Back-to-back checkpoint/DCO checkpoint	Open, but only for basic necessities, including dairy products. Other goods need a permit to be brought in. Closed from Friday afternoon to Sunday morning. Opening hours: 6am to 8pm.
Gaza Strip	
Karni	Since the attack on 14 January, Karni crossing has been completely closed with the exception on 28 January when a special route was open at Karni crossing to allow the export of strawberries from the Gaza Strip.
Sufa	Since 14 January, the crossing has been closed for construction materials.

Road Gates

Gate	Status
Tulkarm/Qalqiliya	
Anabta	The gate has been reported closed the entire week, commuters have had to use back-to-back at the gate.