

## Coordination of Government Activities in the Territories

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Re: Policy for entry of Gaza Strip residents into Israel and into the Judea and Samaria area during lockdown

1. As already announced, the Gaza Strip has been placed under lockdown in order to reduce the spread of the coronavirus. However, under the broad discretion exercised by the authorities in such matters, some exceptions have been introduced:

A. Entry permits into Israel and the Judea and Samaria area for medical patients and their escorts, for the purpose of medical treatment, in accordance with the criteria detailed in the "Unclassified Status of Authorizations" document. Because the Palestinian Civil Committee, for reasons of its own, has recently not been transferring requests to the Israeli side, such requests may be made on an exceptional and temporary basis through the public service center of the Coordination and Liaison Administration (CLA) for Gaza, or at the following web address:

<https://www.gov.il/he/service/apply-medical-humanitarian-entry-permit-gaza-strip>

B. If residents of the Judea and Samaria area, and foreigners present in the Gaza Strip, wish to travel into the Judea and Samaria area or to their home countries, they may ask by the usual method as detailed in the procedures posted at the COGAT website:

<https://www.gov.il/he/departments/coordination-of-government-activities-in-the-territories>

Such requests will be assessed, on the merits of each case, in keeping with the circumstances apparent from the request, and with the regular policies set out in the "Unclassified Status of Authorizations" document. Those factors will be the basis for deciding whether to approve the exception.