

גישה - מרכז לשמירה על הזכות לנוע (ע"ר) Gisha - Legal Center for Freedom of Movement مسلك - مركز للدفاع عن حريّة الحركة

Partial List of Items Prohibited/Permitted into the Gaza Strip June 2010

The following list is approximate and partial, and it changes from time to time. It is based on information from Palestinian traders and businesspersons, international organizations, and the Palestinian Coordination Committee, all of whom "deduce" what is permitted and what is banned based on their experience requesting permission to bring goods into Gaza and the answers they receive from the Israeli authorities (approved or denied). It is not possible to verify this list with the Israeli authorities because they refuse to disclose information regarding the restrictions on transferring goods into Gaza. It should be noted that Israel permits some of the "prohibited" items into Gaza (for example: paper, biscuits, and chocolate), on the condition that they are for the use of international organizations, while requests from private merchants to purchase them are denied. For more information, see: Gisha, Restrictions on the Transfer of Goods into Gaza: Obstruction and Obfuscation, January 2010.

Prohibited Items*

sage (since 26.5.10) cardamom (since 7.6.10) cumin (since 7.6.10) coriander (since 7.6.10) ginger (since 7.6.10) iam (since 7.6.10) halva (since 7.6.10) vinegar nutmeg chocolate fruit preserves (since 9.6.10) seeds and nuts biscuits (since 9.6.10) sweets potato chips (since 9.6.10) gas for soft drinks dried fruit fresh meat plaster tar wood for construction cement iron alucose industrial salt plastic/glass/metal containers industrial margarine tarpaulin sheets for huts fabric (for clothing) flavor and smell enhancers fishing rods

Permitted Items

flour sugar sweetener rice salt cooking oil semolina yeast pasta chickpeas beans kidney beans lentils peas Burgul wheat corn lupini beans powdered milk dairy products margarine hummus paste frozen meat, fish, and vegetables vitamins and oil for animal feed empty bags for flour medicine and medical equipment diapers feminine hygiene products toilet paper baby wipes shampoo & conditioner soap & liquid soap

various fishing nets buoys ropes for fishing nylon nets for greenhouses (since 14.6.10) spare parts for tractors dairies for cowsheds irrigation pipe systems ropes to tie greenhouses (since 14.6.10) planters for saplings heaters for chicken farms musical instruments size A4 paper writing implements notebooks newspapers toys razors (since 7.6.10) sewing machines and spare parts heaters horses donkeys goats cattle chicks

toothpaste laundry detergent fabric softener dish soap glass cleaner floor cleaning fluid cleaning liquid for bathroom use chlorine insecticide for household use coffee tea salami meat canned meat canned fish sponges for cleaning dishes sponges for washing mopping rags cleaning rags all canned food except canned fruit za'atar spice black pepper sesame powdered chicken stock blankets matches candles brooms mops dustpans trash cans aniseed chamomile cinnamon wastewater purification powder glass - 200 trucks water coolers + heaters mineral water Tahini (sesame paste) hair brushes hair combs shoes clothes wood (for doors and window frames) aluminum soft plastic bags fruit vegetables hay fertilized eggs pesticides for agriculture soil for agriculture particles for soil dilution chemical fertilizer plastic buckets plastic crates for fruits and vegetables plastic chicken cages egg cartons

cartons for transporting chicks fiberglass and plastic trays for planting various kinds of agricultural seeds eggs (for eating) greenhouse nylon various kinds of veterinary medications and products wheat barley animal feed hatcheries and spare parts for hatcheries sage (since 26.5.10) jam (since 7.6.10) halva (since 7.6.10) razors (since 7.6.10) nylon nets for greenhouses (since 14.6.10) ropes to tie greenhouses (since 14.6.10) juices (since 9.6.10) biscuits (since 9.6.10) snacks (since 9.6.10) ready made salads (since 9.6.10) mayonnaise (since 13.6.10) ketchup (since 13.6.10) needles (since 13.6.10) pins (since 13.6.10) soft drinks (since 9.6.10)

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