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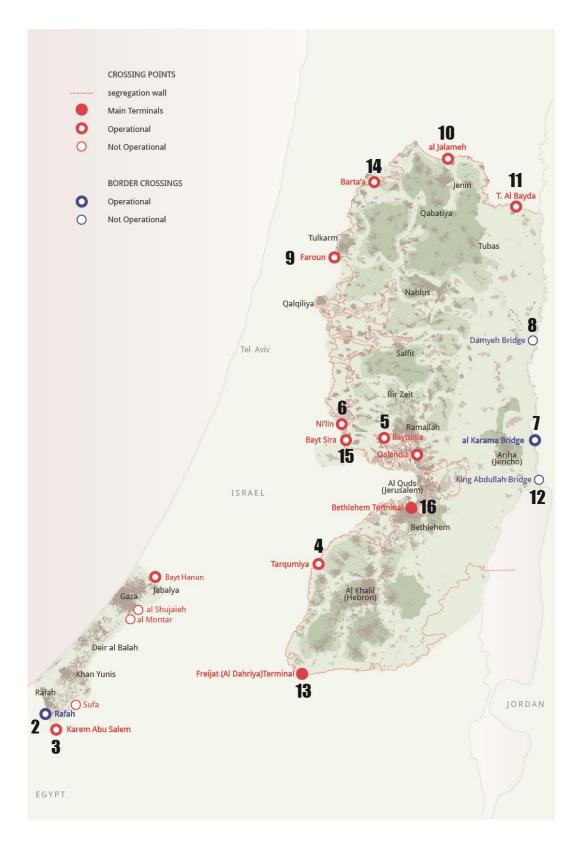
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1. Border Crossing Points







2. Rafah

Border Crossing	Rafah
Point	On the Case Strip Equat herder
Location Description	On the Gaza Strip–Egypt border There is one BCP between Gaza Strip and Egypt, which is Rafah BCP. The Access and Movement Agreement (AMA), singed between the Palestinian National Authority and Israel in 2005, controls the operation through this crossing. It was recognized as a Palestinian-Egyptian BCP for passengers and exports to Egypt. However, after the implementation of the AMA, it was not operated for exports, but only for passengers, until June 2006. It was also used for the import of construction materials for the Qatar Reconstruction Project.
	After the Israeli disengagement in 2005, the monthly average number of entries and exits through Rafah BCP reached about 40,000. After June 2006, the crossing was closed 76% of the time and after June 2007, it was closed permanently except for infrequent limited openings by Egypt. From June 2010 to January 2011, the monthly average number of exits and entries through Rafah reached 19,000. After May 2011, when Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak was replaced with Mohamed Morsi, where the number grew to 40,000 per month. When Morsi was deposed by the army in July 2013, the crossing was again almost completely shut down. In August 2014, for the first time since the start of the Gaza blockade in 2007, Egypt allowed the United Nations World Food Program (WFP) to bring food through the Rafah crossing. It provided food to feed around 150,000 people for 5 days. In 2014, an average of 8,119 exits and entries of people were recorded at the crossing monthly. Between 24 October 2014 and September 2015, the crossing has been opened for only 34 days.
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Photos	
Dimensions/area	Approximately 100 dunums (100,000sqm)
Туре	Passengers only, on few occasions Rafah crossing was used for transfer of some goods such as humanitarian relief goods and construction materials.
Use	Passengers. It is used for importing building materials It was shortly used for exports in 2006 for few days
Currently in	partially operational
Operation	
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	
Average volume of Traffic	After the Israeli disengagement in 2005, the monthly average number of entries and exits through Rafah BCP reached about 40,000.
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	From June 2010 to January 2011, the monthly average number of exits and entries through Rafah reached 19,000. After May 2011, when Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak was replaced with Mohamed Morsi, the number grew to 40,000 per month. When Morsi was deposed by the army in July 2013, the Crossing was again almost completely banned. In 2014, an average of 8,119 exits and entries of people were recorded at the crossing monthly. In 2015 and 2016, it was almost closed, except for exceptional humanitarian cases.
Needs for Development	Terminal Building (including passenger lounges, passport control, security, customs, luggage, etc.)
Nearest built us area (km)	Parking Area
Nearest natural area (km)	
Nearest main road (km)	Less than 350m
Comment	



3. Karem Abu-Salem Crossing

Border Crossing Point	Karem Abu Salem
Location	In the southeast, on the connecting borders with Egypt and Israel
Description	Karem Abu Salem is now the main crossing for the entry of commercial and humanitarian goods, as well as for fuel to Gaza Strip, but most of the time does not function at its capacity.
Aerial Photo	AT GOTO - ATAAASA





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Dimensions/area	Approximately 160 dunums (160,000sqm). It is located on governmental land.
Typo	There is space for expansion. Freight only
Type Use	Commercial and humanitarian goods as well as fuel. Truck loads reached
Use	about 400-500 per day.
Currently in	Yes
Operation	
Operational	
Aspects of the	
Infrastructure	
Average volume of Traffic	Recent unpublished information on operations of Gaza Strip BCPS reveals that a total of 13,302 truckloads entered Gaza Strip during June to August 2014 as follows:
Facilities/	10,633 truckloads of goods
Infrastructures	-
on the	
Palestinian Side,	
inc. Customs	
Needs for	1,456 truckloads of fuel
Development	
Nearest built us	1,213 truckloads at Rafah, mainly of construction materials for the Qatar
area (km)	Reconstruction Project
Nearest natural	Mainly parking areas and open yards for waiting, loading, and unloading.
area (km)	
Nearest main	Customs facilities
road (km)	
Comment	
Comment	



4. Tarqumiya

Border Crossing	Tarqumiya
Point	
Location	In the southwest; west of Hebron
Description	The crossing is located about 150 meters west of the present Tarqumiya checkpoint and officially opened by the Israelis at the end of November 2007. The crossing serves the cities of Hebron and the southern cities of the West Bank. It is used for both imports and exports between West Bank and Israel, and imports/exports through Ashdod seaport. The crossing officially opens from Sunday through Thursday from 06:30 - 16:00 for outgoing truckloads and from 06:30 - 19:00 for incoming truckloads and outgoing empty trucks. On Fridays, the crossing opens from 07:00 - 08:30 for incoming truckloads of animal feeds only, and closes on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. The crossing also serves vehicular and pedestrian traffic. In addition, it is open to Palestinians going to/coming from Gaza strip.
Aerial Photo	31°35'25.40"N 34°57'50.88"E





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Dimensions/area	Approximately 115 dunum (115,000sqm)
Туре	Freight and Passengers
Use	
Currently in Operation	The crossing is divided into two main sections: one for movement of goods (imports and exports between West Bank and Israel), and the other for the movement of persons, particularly laborers.
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	Yes
Average volume of Traffic	Goods are transferred in an open area that is divided into 4 exporting lanes, and it is equipped with two scanning machines, 7 small forklifts and 1 large forklift, and a large crane. Operations are back-to-back for Palestinian trucks, while these are door-to-door for Israeli trucks.
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Average Trucks/day: 200
Needs for Development	Average Pedestrians (laborers)/day: 4,000-5,000
Nearest built us area (km)	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing, noting that it is over a kilometer east of the 1967 border.
Nearest natural area (km)	Once agreed upon by the Palestinians and the Israelis, there is a need to have official Palestinian presence through a terminal with all land facilities, including customs.
Nearest main road (km)	Less than 1.5km
Comment	Less than 80m (High-value agricultural area)



5. Beituniya

Border Crossing Point	Beituniya
Location	In the middle, located west of Ramallah
Description	Beituniya is located southwest of Ramallah; it was defined as a trade crossing by the Israeli Authorities in 2002, used for both imports and exports between West Bank and Israel. The crossing serves the cities of Ramallah, Northern Cities and Suburbs of East Jerusalem located within the vicinity of the West Bank. The crossing officially opens from Sunday to Friday, and closes on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. It is located within the West Bank and not at the 1967 border. The crossing is fully controlled by Israeli Authorities but, the loading and unloading process is done by a private company. It is important to note that Beituniya BCP is the only crossing that imposes charges for the back-to-back process. These charges depend on the type of truck; Van is charged NIS 20, Truck is charged NIS 30, Semi-trailer is charged NIS 45, and full trailer is charged NIS 90. (NIS is New Israeli Sheqel)
Aerial Photo	31°52'55.85"N 35°10'37.98"E





Photos	<image/>
Dimensions/area	Approximately 35 dunum (35,000sqm)
Туре	Freight Only
Use	Several types of products including manufactured products and
Compatible in Operation	agricultural crops, cement, sand and aggregates, and chemical products.
Currently in Operation	Yes
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	The crossing is equipped with limited number of forklifts, and it has an inspection area which is divided into four main sections according to the types of products including manufactured products and agricultural crops, cement, sand and aggregates, and chemical products. The inspection process is done manually since there are no scanners at the crossing. The crossing is controlled by the Jerusalem District Police but the loading and unloading process is done by a private company.
Average volume of Traffic	Average Trucks/day: 150
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing, as it is not recognized as an official BCP.
Needs for Development	Palestinians do not recognize it as an official BCP as it is located far away from the Green Line (the 1949 truce line), and therefore, there are no development plans for this BCP.
Nearest built us area (km)	Approximately 200m
Nearest natural area (km)	About 1.5km (High-value agricultural area) and 4.5km (Biodiversity area)
Nearest main road (km)	About 2.4km south of the road connecting Ramallah with Beituniya and Ein Erik
Comment	Not officially recognized by the Palestinians



6. Ni'lin

Border Crossing Point	Ni'lin
Location	Near the town of Ni'lin
Description	Ni'lin checkpoint was opened in 2008 based on an Israeli military order to confiscate agricultural areas of Ni'lin's land. The BCP is mainly used by the Palestinian laborers working in the nearby settlements. In addition, it is mainly used by Israeli vehicles.
Aerial Photo	31° 56'27.78"N 35° 1'57.89"E





Photos	<image/>
Dimensions/area	Approximately 27 dunum (27,000sqm - all inside West Bank)
Туре	Passengers Only for Palestinians working inside Israel, but it is also operated for all Israeli vehicles.
Use	Mainly used by the Palestinian laborers working in nearby settlements
Currently in	especially Modi'in Ilit and Israel. Yes
Currently in	Yes
Operation	It is used for Israeli vehicles, and by the Palestinian laborers working in
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	Israel.
Average volume of	Average Pedestrians/day: 400-600
Traffic	No info on Vehicle traffic.
Facilities/	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing.
Infrastructures on	
the Palestinian Side,	
inc. Customs	
Needs for	There is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing. Palestinians do
Development	not recognize it as an official BCP. It is not located on the Green Line.
Nearest built us area (km)	Around 350m (Ni'lin) town.
Nearest natural area (km)	About 1.5km (Forests close to nearby settlements)
Nearest main road (km)	It is located on the Regional Road 446
Comment	-
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7. Al-Karama Bridge

Border Crossing Point	Al-Karama Bridge
Location	on Jordan River 5km east of Jericho
Location Map	
Description	 It is considered as the only crossing between West Bank and Jordan currently in operation. It is therefore the gateway of the Palestinians living in the West Bank to the World. It is used for passenger and freight traffic. Since the Second Intifada which started in 2000, the Israeli occupation authorities did not allow the presence of Palestinian Customs on the crossings as was the case since the implementation of Oslo Agreement signed in 1993.
Aerial Photo	The Palestinian Side-Passenger Terminal Image: Side Passenger Terminal











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Dimensions/area	On the Palestinian Side, there is approximately 50,000sqm of land, located at about 1.5km to the east of the center of Jericho, on the road towards the BCP. The land includes the Main Terminal for Passengers. In addition, there is another land of about 14,000sqm, located at about 1.3km to the east of the
	man terminal, which includes the administration building.
Туре	On the Israeli controlled side of the BCP, the land on which there are facilities
Use	for both passenger or freight traffic is about 150,000sqm. Freight and Passengers
Currently in	Used as an international passage to Jordan used for passengers (Palestinian,
Operation	East Jerusalem and foreign passengers) and commodities. However, Israeli citizens are not permitted to use it.
Operational	Yes
Aspects of the	
Infrastructure	
Average volume	The terminal on the Palestinian side is operated by the Border and Passage
of Traffic	General Department. Aspects related to Passengers passport control and
Facilities (customs are conducted at the Palestinian terminal.
Facilities/	The Israeli side is on control of passenger and freight security, passport control and customs.
Infrastructures	
on the	





Palestinian Side,	
inc. Customs	
Needs for	The statistics show that 1.4, 1.5, and 1.6 million passengers crossed Al
Development	Karama Bridge in both directions in 2013, 2014, and 2015 respectively. (The Palestinian Police).
Nearest built us	As for Cargo, Statistics show that 22,488 and 27,453 trucks crossed the bridge
area (km)	in 2011 and 2012 respectively. Currently, crossing number of trucks reaches
	250/day maximum.
Nearest natural	Terminal Building (including passport control, security, customs, luggage,
area (km)	etc.)
Nearest main	Parking Area for public transport and private cars.
road (km)	
Comment	Administration building for the Palestinian Border and Passage General
	Department.



8. Damyeh Bridge

Border Crossing	Damyeh Bridge
Point	
Location	On Jordan River about 30km north of Al-Karama Bridge
Description	It was operated for passenger/freight, then for freight only, but later it was
Description	closed in 2002 by Israel.
Aerial Photo	
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Photos	
Dimensions/area	Approximately 30,000sqm
Туре	It was operated for passenger/freight, then for freight only
Use	Closed
Currently in	Closed
Operation	
Operational	Closed
Aspects of the	
Infrastructure	
Average volume of	Inactive
Traffic	
manne	





Facilities/	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing
Infrastructures on	
the Palestinian	
Side, inc. Customs	
Needs for	To be totally reconstructed as a border crossing terminal especially for freight
Development	
Nearest built us	About 5km (Al Jiftlik)
area (km)	
Nearest natural	Nearly 35m (Natural Reserve)
area (km)	
Nearest main road	Less than 3km (the Main Road no. 90)
(km)	
Comment	-



9. Tulkarm / Faroun

Border Crossing Point	Tulkarm/Faroun
Location	In the northwest, located west of Tulkarm
Description	Officially opened by the Israelis at the end of 2005. The crossing serves the governorates of Nablus, Tulkarm, Qalqiliya and part of Jenin. It is used for both imports and exports between West Bank and Israel. The crossing officially opens from Sunday to Friday, and closes on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing. The crossing is divided into main sections: one for movement of goods, another for passenger vehicles traffic, and the third for the movement of persons, particularly laborers.
Aerial Photo	





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UseMovement of goods (imports and exports between West Bank and Israel), passenger vehicle movement, and movement of persons, particularly laborers.Currently in OperationYesOperational Aspects of the InfrastructureThe crossing is equipped with a scanner machine with capacity of around 5 trucks at once and a containers' crane, in addition to 4 small forklifts and one big forklift. Operations are back-to-back for Palestinian trucks, while these are door-to-door for Israeli trucks.Average volume of TrafficAverage Trucks/day: 150	Туре	Freight and Passengers
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	Traffic	
Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Average Pedestrians/day: 5,100
Needs for Development Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing	Needs for Development	
Nearest built us area (km)Palestinian officials were thinking of having the fuels storage tanks near the BCP at the Palestinians' side	Nearest built us area	
Nearest natural area 150m approximately (km) 150m approximately	Nearest natural area	150m approximately
Nearest main road (km) Around 1.5km (High-value agricultural area)		Around 1.5km (High-value agricultural area)
	Comment	Approximately 2km (the Main Road no. 57)



10. Al Jalameh

Border Crossing	Al-Jalameh
Point	
Location	North of Jenin
Description	The crossing serves the Jenin and Nablus cities. It is used for both imports and exports between West Bank and Israel (mainly agricultural produce), or imports from Haifa seaport. The crossing also serves vehicular and pedestrian traffic. The crossing officially opens from Sunday to Friday, and closes on Saturdays and Jewish holidays. But for passengers, it is also open Saturday.
Aerial Photo	60 60 (32°30'36.15"N 35°18'29.02"E (Jelame)
Photos	
Dimensions/area	Approximately 25 dunum (25,000sqm - the part inside West Bank)
Туре	Freight and Passengers
Use	The crossing is divided into three sections: one for movement of goods (imports and exports between West Bank and Israel, mainly agricultural produce), but also for cement (though special pipes), another for the movement of passenger vehicles, and the third for persons, particularly Palestinian laborers working inside the Green Line.





Currently in	Yes
Operation	
Operational	The crossing is equipped with 4 small forklifts, and a mobile scanning machine
Aspects of the	with a capacity of around 5 truckloads at a time. Operations are back-to-back for
Infrastructure	Palestinian trucks, while these are door-to-door for Israeli trucks.
Average volume	Average Trucks/day: 25
of Traffic	Average Pedestrians/day: 1,600
Facilities/	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing
Infrastructures	
on the	
Palestinian Side,	
inc. Customs	
Needs for	Currently, there is a project being designed and funded by USAID to develop the
	Palestinian side, including the road and the pedestrian areas, the parking areas,
Development	
	as well as a space for Palestinian customs (although not official custom, but as
	part of "Palestinian observers room".
Nearest built us	Less than 50 m of built up area within Al-Jalameh village.
area (km)	
Nearest natural	It is located in a high-value agricultural area.
area (km)	
Nearest main	It is located on the Main Road No. 60
road (km)	
Comment	-



11.Tell Al Bayda

Border Crossing	Tell Al Bayda
Point	
Location	In the north, located north of Jordan Valley
Description	Located at the northeastern tip of the West Bank on the Border (Green Line) with Israel. It is operated for specific agricultural commodities. However, for the Israelis, it is also operated for passengers.
Aerial Photo	State and state
Photos	



Needs for Development Nearest built us

area (km)

area (km)

(km) Comment

Nearest natural

Nearest main road

Dimensions/area	About 22 dunum (22,000sqm - the part in the Palestinian lands)
Туре	Freight Only, but it is also open for all Israeli vehicle
use	Operated for specific agricultural commodities
Currently in	Yes
Operation	
Operational	Operations are back-to-back for Palestinian trucks, while they are door-to-
Aspects of the	door for Israeli trucks
Infrastructure	
Average volume of	Average Trucks/day: 25
Traffic	
Facilities/	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing. It is
Infrastructures on	located in Area C
the Palestinian	
Side, inc. Customs	

Establish a small freight BC with Pal. Customs

It is located within high-value agricultural area

Approximately 1.7km (Bardala Village)

It is located on the Main Road no. 90

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12. King Abdallah Bridge

Border Crossing	King Abdallah Bridge
Point	
Location	Just north of Dead Sea on Jordan River
Description	It is damaged and non-operational since 1948.
Description Aerial Photo	It is damaged and non-operational since 1948.
Photos	<image/>
Dimensions/area	About 1.1 dunum (1,100sqm - the bridge itself) (115m length * 10m width). No existing buildings
Туре	Not in operation since 1948
use	Not in operation since 1948
Currently in Operation	Closed





Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	Non-operational since 1948
Average volume of Traffic	Inactive
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Non-operational since 1948
Needs for Development	In the future, could be developed as a main BCP between Palestine and Jordan.
Nearest built us area (km)	About 4.5km (Deir Hajleh)
Nearest natural area (km)	About 2km (Natural Reserve)
Nearest main road (km)	Around 5.5km (the Main Road no. 90)
Comment	-



13. Freijat (Al Dahriya)

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Border Crossing	Freijat (Al Dahriya)
Point	
Location	South of Hebron Mountains, near the settlement of Meitar
Description	A crossing point in the Segregation Wall at a location where the wall runs along the Green Line. Closed to Palestinians, except for holders of entry permits to Israel, and only on foot. However, it is open to all the Israeli vehicles.
Aerial Photo	31°20'43.45"N 34°56'4.19"E 60





Photos	<image/> <image/>
Dimensions/area	Approximately 65 dunum (65,000sqm)
Type	Passengers Only
Use	It is used for Israeli vehicles. It is also used by the Palestinian laborers working in Israel.
Currently in Operation	Yes
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	Open to all Israeli vehicles
Average volume of Traffic	Average Pedestrians/day: 900-1,200
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing.
Needs for Development	-
Nearest built us area (km)	Nearly 600m (Arab Al Fureijat/Tatriet)
	Nearly 100m (high value agricultural area)
Nearest natural area (km)	
Nearest natural area (km) Nearest main road (km)	It is located on the Main Road no. 60





14. Barta'a

Border Crossing	Barta'a/Reihan
Point Location	West of the situ of lonin near Parto's town
	West of the city of Jenin, near Barta'a town
Description	Mainly used by the Palestinian population of Barta'a for passage to and from Jenin. However, it is open to all the Israeli vehicles.
Aerial Photo	610 (32°26'57.95"N 35° 7'0.97"E



Photos	<image/>
Dimensions/area	Approximately 55 dunum (55,000sqm - all inside West Bank)
Туре	Passengers Only
Use	Mainly used by the Palestinian population of Barta'a for passage to and from Jenin as well as laborers working in Israel. It is used by the Israeli vehicles.
Currently in Operation	Yes
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	Open to all Israeli vehicle
Average volume of Traffic	Average Pedestrians/day: 2,000
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing.
Needs for Development	-
Nearest built us area (km)	Less than 700m (Khirbet Mas'oud)
Nearest natural area (km)	It is located in biodiversity area and close to forests (1.1km)
Nearest main road (km)	About 12km (the Main Road no. 60)
Comment	-





15. Bayt Sira

Border Crossing	Bayt Sira
Point	
Location	West of the city of Ramallah, near Bayt Sira village
Description	Located on Route 443 near the village of Bayt Sira. The checkpoint is always reinforced by the Israeli army and opens from 7 am to 8 pm. It is mainly used by the Palestinian laborers working in the nearby settlements. However, it is open to all the Israeli vehicles.
Aerial Photo	
	443 31°53'49.94"N 35° 2'34.94"E
Photos	
Dimensions/area	Approximately 12 dunum (12,000sqm - all inside West Bank)
Туре	Passengers/Vehicles Only
Use	Mainly used by the Palestinian laborers and Israeli vehicles.
Currently in	Yes
Operation	
Operational	Open to all Israeli vehicles
Aspects of the Infrastructure	





Average volume of Traffic	Average Pedestrians/day: 700 No info on vehicular traffic
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	Currently, there is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing
Needs for Development	-
Nearest built us area (km)	Nearly 650 m (Bayt Sira)
Nearest natural area (km)	About 650 m (High-value agricultural area)
Nearest main road (km)	On Regional Road No 443
Comment	-





16. Bethlehem

Border Crossing	Bethlehem
Point	
Location	South of Jerusalem, north of Bethlehem
Description	Bethlehem BCP in the Segregation Wall between Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Staffed around the clock by the military, Border Police and private security companies. It has an extensive infrastructure and is defined as a terminal. Palestinians are not allowed to cross into Jerusalem unless they hold entry permits into Israel or East Jerusalem residents. International tourists have to use Israeli tourist buses to visit the holy places in Bethlehem, which are allowed to enter Bethlehem only through this crossing. In addition to Israeli vehicles, it is also used by the Palestinian laborers working in Israel.
Aerial Photo	31°43'30.23"N 35°12'14.74"E
Photos	<image/>



Dimensions/area	Approximately 24 dunum (24,000sqm - all inside West Bank)
Туре	Passengers Only
Use	Mainly used by Palestinian laborers and tourist buses to Bethlehem.
Currently in Operation	Yes
Operational Aspects of the Infrastructure	It is used for Israeli vehicles. It is also used by the Palestinian laborers working in Israel.
Average volume of Traffic	Average Pedestrians/day: 3,000
Facilities/ Infrastructures on the Palestinian Side, inc. Customs	There is no official Palestinian presence at the crossing. Palestinians do not recognize it as an official BCP as it is not located on the Green Line.
Needs for Development	
Nearest built us area (km)	It is already located on Bethlehem' lands
Nearest natural area (km)	Less than 100m (Biodiversity area)
Nearest main road (km)	The Main Road no. 60 (1.1km)
Comment	-

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