



## Partial List of Items Prohibited/Permitted into the Gaza Strip

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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.

**The list of products forbidden from entering the Gaza Strip reflects the policy that was in effect until the Israeli Cabinet decision of June 20, 2010. It was then decided to formulate a list of prohibited goods, including items which are considered dual use as well as building materials (except those intended for projects approved by the Palestinian Authority). Nonetheless, the transfer of items not on these lists remains dependent on the capacity of Gaza's crossings. See Gisha's [Unraveling the closure of Gaza: What has and hasn't changed since the Cabinet decision and what are the implications?](#), July 2010, for more information.**

### Prohibited Items\*

sage-(since 26.5.10)  
coriander (since 7.6.10)  
spices (since 7.6.10)  
jam-(since 7.6.10)  
halva-(since 7.6.10)  
vinegar (since 27.6.10)  
nutmeg (since 22.6.10)  
chocolate (since 22.6.10)  
fruit preserves-(since 9.6.10)  
seeds and nuts-(since 22.6.10)  
biscuits-(since 9.6.10)  
sweets (since 22.6.10)  
potato chips (since 9.6.10)  
gas for soft drinks  
dried fruit (since 22.6.10)  
fresh meat  
plaster  
tar  
wood for construction  
cement  
iron  
glucose

### 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

industrial salt  
plastic/glass/metal containers  
industrial margarine  
tarpaulin sheets for huts  
fabric (for clothing)  
flavor and smell enhancers  
fishing rods  
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~~ (since 22.6.10)  
notebooks  
newspapers  
~~toys~~ (since 22.6.10)  
~~razors~~-(since 7.6.10)  
sewing machines and spare parts  
heaters  
horses  
donkeys  
goats  
cattle  
chicks  
~~towels~~ (since 22.6.10)  
~~buttons~~ (since 13.6.10)  
~~mattresses~~ (since 22.6.10)  
~~kitchenware~~ (since 22.6.10)  
~~perfume~~ (since 28.6.10)  
~~cosmetic products~~ (since 28.6.10)  
~~plastic chairs~~ (since 4.7.10)

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  
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)  
spices (since 7.6.10)  
food items (since 22.6.10)  
towels (since 22.6.10)  
buttons (since 13.6.10)  
mattresses (since 22.6.10)  
toys (since 22.6.10)  
kitchenware (since 22.6.10)  
writing implements (since 22.6.10)  
vinegar (since 27.6.10)  
perfume (since 28.6.10)  
cosmetic products (since 28.6.10)  
plastic chairs (since 4.7.10)

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