

# Israeli Army Orders Closure of 3,000 Dunums of Land on Olive Harvest Season

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*The Israeli occupation army issued 63 military orders to close areas and lands planted with olives in separate parts of the West Bank, coinciding with the start of the olive harvest season in the Palestinian territories.*

The olive harvest season, one of the biggest events and sources of income for Palestinian farmers, starts on the seventh of October, as announced by the Palestinian Ministry of Agriculture.

The military orders bore the signature of the commander of the occupation army in the West Bank on September 17, 2020, and come under the title (Zone Closure – Prevention of Entry and Stay), attached to maps and aerial photos showing the locations of the lands targeted by these orders, which seem to be specific to the current olive season.

Its clauses clarified that its entry into force will be from the date of its signature until the date of 12/31/2020.

This means that many Palestinian families and farmers will not have access to their lands and would be unable to harvest their trees or make olive oil.

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