

# Jerusalem, Gaza Strip, Golan Heights, H 980 West Bank, and Palestine

**BACKGROUND:** *The headings Jerusalem, Gaza Strip, Golan Heights, and West Bank are established without a geographic qualifier. This instruction sheet describes subject heading practice for these places and for entities located within them, as well as usage of the headings Palestine and Palestinian National Authority.*

**1. Geographic subdivision.** Assign **Gaza Strip, Golan Heights, Jerusalem, and West Bank** directly after topics without interposing the name of any larger geographic entity. *Examples:*

```
650 #0 $a Law $z Gaza Strip.  
650 #0 $a Land settlement $z Golan Heights.  
650 #0 $a City planning $z Jerusalem.  
650 #0 $a Public health $z West Bank.
```

Divide localities that are entirely within the boundaries of the Gaza Strip, Golan Heights, or West Bank through those headings. *Examples:*

```
650 #0 $a Jews $z Gaza Strip $z Gaza.  
650 #0 $a Pottery $z West Bank $z Jericho.
```

**2. Subject headings for entities within Jerusalem, Gaza Strip, Golan Heights, and West Bank.** Qualify subject headings for geographic features or other entities that are located entirely within one of these places by the appropriate territory or city. *Examples:*

```
151 ## $a Via Dolorosa (Jerusalem)  
151 ## $a Shatti (Gaza Strip : Refugee camp)  
151 ## $a Qanah River Cave (West Bank)
```

*Note: The practice for qualifying subject headings for entities in the West Bank or Gaza Strip differs from the practice for name headings. Name headings for jurisdictions in those locations are not qualified.*

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### 2. Subject headings for entities within Jerusalem, Gaza Strip, Golan Heights, and West Bank. (Continued)

Do not qualify headings for rivers or other geographic entities that are located both in Israel and one of these places. *Examples:*

151 ## \$a Alexander River  
[located in Israel and the West Bank]

151 ## \$a Besor River  
[located in Israel and the Gaza Strip]

*Note:* Name headings for jurisdictions within these places are established without qualifiers, for example, **Hebron, Nablus, Gaza, etc.**

When formulating 550 (broader term) fields, divide the topical heading directly by the specific place or places where the entity is located. *Examples:*

151 ## \$a Mount of Olives (Jerusalem)  
550 ## \$w g \$a Mountains \$x Jerusalem

110 ## \$a Herodium (West Bank)  
550 ## \$w g \$a Castles \$z West Bank

151 ## \$a Besor River  
550 ## \$w g \$a Rivers \$z Gaza Strip  
550 ## \$w g \$a Rivers \$z Israel  
550 ## \$w g \$a Wadis \$z Gaza Strip  
550 ## \$w g \$a Wadis \$z Israel

**3. Palestine.** Assign the subject heading **Palestine** to works about the region on the eastern coast of the Mediterranean Sea that in ancient times was called the Land of Canaan, later the kingdoms of Israel and Judah, and in modern times comprises the entire state of Israel, as well as the various disputed territories.

Do not use this heading to refer specifically to the territories that are being transferred from Israeli to Palestinian control by agreements between Israel and the Palestinian National Authority negotiated in the 1990s. Use the headings **West Bank** and/or **Gaza Strip**, as appropriate, to refer to these geographic areas.

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**4. *Palestinian National Authority.*** The heading **Palestinian National Authority** has been established in the name authority file. Although it is tagged 151, it represents a governmental entity, not a geographic area.

Do not treat this heading as a geographic heading. Do not assign it as a geographic subdivision after topical headings or subdivisions.

Assign this heading, tagged 651, only to works about the Palestinian National Authority as a governmental entity. General free-floating topical or form subdivisions that are usable under any type of heading may be used under this heading, if appropriate. Subdivisions that are normally free-floating under place names may be established under this heading, if they are appropriate for use under the name of a governmental entity, for example, **-Appropriations and expenditures** or **-Officials and employees**.

*Note: The heading **Palestinian National Authority—Foreign relations** has been established and may be subdivided geographically. If further subdivided by place, an additional subject entry is made for [place]—Foreign relations subdivided topically by **-Palestinian National Authority**. Example:*

```
651 ## $a Palestinian National Authority $x Foreign relations $z Israel.  
651 ## $a Israel $x Foreign relations $x Palestinian National Authority.
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Since the territories controlled by the Palestinian National Authority do not currently have international recognition as a “country,” nor an internationally recognized name, use the headings **West Bank** and/or **Gaza Strip**, as appropriate, to refer to these geographic areas. If a work is limited in scope to those parts of the West Bank or Gaza Strip under Palestinian control, this may be brought out by assigning **Palestinian National Authority** as an additional heading, in accordance with the guidelines above.

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### 4. *Palestinian National Authority.* (Continued)

*Note: Headings consisting of **Palestinian National Authority** in the \$a subfield in combination with a \$b or \$t subfield may also be assigned as subject headings, tagged 610. Examples:*

610 10 \$a Palestinian National Authority. \$b Wizārat al-Tarbiyah  
wa-al-Ta'lim al-‘Ālī.

*(The heading above, which designates the Authority's Ministry of Education and Higher Education, may be assigned as a subject heading to a work about the Ministry.)*

610 10 \$a Palestinian National Authority. \$t Qānūn raqm bi-sha'n  
tashji' al-istithmar (1995).

*(The heading above, which designates the Authority's 1995 law on the encouragement of investment, may be assigned as a subject heading to a work about the law.)*

### 5. *Geographic area codes.* Assign the following codes for these entities:

Gaza Strip	awgz
Golan Heights	a-sy
Jerusalem	a-is and/or awba, as appropriate
Palestine	a-is awgz awba
West Bank	awba