

YESHIVAS TORAH ORE
YERUSHALAYIM



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PARENT/TALMID HANDBOOK



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INTRODUCTION

On behalf of the Hanhala and talmidim, we are honored to welcome you to Yeshivas Torah Ore. The following document was compiled to ease acclimation and offer guidance before your arrival. We strongly encourage talmid and parent alike to review this handbook. If you have any further questions, we look forward to offering assistance.

A MESSAGE FROM THE ROSH HAYESHIVA, SHLIT" A

Dear Talmid,

Before embarking on our daily responsibility of learning Torah, we pray that no failure or fault should occur as a result of our actions.

“יהי רצון מלפניך... שלא יארע שום תקלה על ידי”. Chazal are teaching us that well intentioned Torah learning is not a guarantee for success. Rather Torah learning supplemented with heartfelt prayers is the best recipe for achieving our spiritual goals.

On behalf of the Hanhala and the talmidim, I would like to personally welcome you to our Yeshiva family. We are proud of the fact that you have chosen our Yeshiva for your growth in avodas Hashem and look forward to assisting you in fulfilling your goals.

As we stand on the threshold of yet another year, we raise our eyes to the Heavens, in hope and prayer, that our actions should be greeted with unbridled success - without fault and without failure.

With Torah blessings,

*HaRav Simcha Scheinberg
Rosh HaYeshiva*



PRE-YESHIVA



PASSPORTS/VISAS

Talmidim must have a valid passport, which must remain valid for a minimum of 6 months. If a passport is due to expire while a student is in Israel, it should be renewed beforehand to avoid any problems that may occur at either outbound or inbound airports.

Upon arrival at Ben Gurion International Airport in Israel, all passengers are issued a Tourist Visa valid for 3 months. To legally reside in Israel beyond this initial 3 month period, one must apply for a Student Visa from the Israeli Interior Ministry. The Yeshiva office completes this process on-line.

*Israeli law requires a student's **original** birth certificate to issue a Student Visa. Please ensure that your son brings this document with him.*



TUITION FEES

Our registrar, Rabbi Shalom Anton is in charge of tuition arrangements. Upon acceptance to the yeshiva, parents should contact Rabbi Anton. Office - +972-2-537-1513 / 1-718-280-5536, Mobile - +972-54-841-5750, WhatsApp - +972-58-757-9919. E-mail - israeloffice@torahore.org. Please bear in mind the time difference when calling Israel.

Tuition payments are arranged and processed in Israel. In the past, avoidable misunderstandings have occurred when generic payments were submitted to the NY office. In an effort to avoid errors, both envelope and its contents should be clearly marked with the talmid's name. Clear labeling is especially important when payments arrive from third parties.

Please understand that an applicant cannot be admitted to the yeshiva (i.e. the dorm, shiur, meal plan, etc.) before finalizing financial arrangements with the registrar's office. Additionally, upon leaving the yeshiva, transcripts are dependant upon fulfilling financial obligations, overall talmid attendance, and mandatory gemorah test completion.



MEDICAL INSURANCE

All talmidim are required to maintain medical coverage in Israel. If your existing medical plan offers coverage in Israel, please ensure that the insurer's information is provided on your application form.

If insurance coverage in Israel is needed, the yeshiva assists the bochorim in arranging coverage through the Israeli health fund – Meuhedet. Over 250 clinics are operated throughout Israel by Meuhedet. This non-resident insurance policy provides the very same medical services that Israeli citizens enjoy.

The application form will be sent upon acceptance to the Yeshiva. The cost for medical coverage is roughly \$1.25 a day. Payments are collected via credit card, directly by Meuhedet.

Relevant forms can be found on www.TorahOre.org and can be submitted upon arrival to the yeshiva.



TRANSPORT & ARRIVAL TO YESHIVA

TRANSPORT AND DATES

There are no group flights organized by the yeshiva. Please book your travel arrangements with the following dates in mind.

Elul Zman	Commences on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. All bochurim should arrive at the yeshiva by Monday evening, August 21, 2023. Ends on Motzai Yom Kippur, Monday, September 25, 2023.
Winter Zman	Begins with morning seder on Monday, October 16 th 2023. Ends after seder on Wednesday, April 3, 2024.
Summer Zman	Begins with morning seder on Thursday, May 9, 2024. Ends after seder on Wednesday, July 31, 2024.

Ben Gurion International Airport is a 40 minute drive from Jerusalem. The following options of transportation are recommended.

- 1) 'Nesher' Sherut (shared taxi) - Airport shuttle vans wait outside the arrivals hall and leave for Jerusalem after filling up with 10 passengers. This service will transport you to your requested address in Jerusalem for approximately 70 NIS or \$25.
- 2) Private taxi - The airport designated taxi stand is located immediately outside the arrivals hall. Uniformed staff will direct you to the next available cab. The cost for this service is approximately 330 NIS or \$100.
- 3) Train - Israel Railways provides trains service from the airport to Jerusalem's Central Bus Station. Additional information regarding this option is available at www.rail.co.il.

The yeshiva is located at, 3 Sorotskin St., Jerusalem, Israel 9442305.

The Taxi/ Sherut services usually accept payment in either ILS or USD. Upon arrival into Israel there is an ATM available in the arrival hall of Ben Gurion Airport in order to withdraw Israeli currency.

ARRIVAL AT THE YESHIVA

Upon arrival to Yeshiva there will be assistance in ensuring that each bochur is helped to find his room and assistance with whatever extra needs he requires.

Please ensure that your son has Rav Abba Orbach's contact information, to assist and ensure that each bochur settles in smoothly.



IN YESHIVA



PACKING TIPS

With airline luggage weight limited, please consider that all necessities can be purchased locally in Israel. There is a well stocked supermarket across the street from the Yeshiva as well as several stores within walking distance of the yeshiva.



LINEN

Pillows, pillow cases, towels, fitted sheets, flat sheets, and blankets are not provided by the Yeshiva. Nevertheless, these items can be purchased locally. Alternatively these items can be purchased online from either of the following two companies and will be delivered to the Yeshiva.

<https://www.blanketexpressplus.com> or <https://www.packforisrael.com>



SEFORIM

The Yeshiva will be learning Maseches Nedarim for both Iyun and Bikiyus. Seforim that the Yeshiva are currently learning are available for purchase from Rav Abba at a discounted price. There are also many local seforim stores within walking distance.



CURRENCY EXCHANGE

There is a currency change store conveniently located across the street from the Yeshiva.



TRIPS

The Yeshiva offers two annual Shabbos trips, in which attendance is strongly encouraged. Additionally, after Sukkos, the Yeshiva organizes a three-day trip in Israel. These trips provide a wonderful opportunity for talmidim to bond as a group, as well as with their Rabbeim. Trip itineraries are made available closer to the event. The approximate cost per trip is \$250. Unless otherwise instructed, credit cards on file are charged accordingly.

Throughout the year, day trips, outdoor BBQ's, etc., are organized with no additional cost.



CELL PHONES/ IMPORTANT CONTACTS



CELL PHONES

There is no organized cell phone plan offered by the yeshiva. When choosing cellular services, the yeshiva encourages the use of kosher phones. Usage of data enabled devices are strictly prohibited for either email or Internet related usage. If SMS messaging services are used, the handset must not be internet compatible.

Upon arrival to the Yeshiva each bochur is required to hand in his phone. Phones are available to be taken back from the Yeshiva nightly between 10:30pm – 11:30pm and on Friday mornings – 10:30am – 11:30am, as well as on Out Shabbosim. Phones will only be handed back if their filter standards meet the Yeshiva's requirements.

The Yeshiva's phone policy is taken very seriously, those breaking these rules will not be treated lightly.



IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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Tuition checks should be mailed exclusively to the P.O. Box.