



## **Shadowbanning Content on Gaza**

#### News:

A shadowban is when your account has been unknowingly blocked or partially blocked from the app. So this can make your content or account undiscoverable through hashtags, search and the Explore page, and in some cases, the content may be taken down completely. (Later.com)

Actions needed to recover from a shadowban include: Delete the banned post. Check and delete hashtags from recent posts. Stop posting for a few days. Revoke permissions from third-party apps. Deactivate and activate your account. Prioritise Reels. (Hopper HQ)

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To keep the mainstream media narrative that the Palestinian resistance groups are terrorist in their own lands, video footage is heavily censured by the most popular social media giants in the world, shadow banning all kinds of footage to try to black out the actual atrocities from the public scope. Thousands of accounts have been subjected to shadow banning and even forced removal of content even if the account user verifies the content. This is happening worldwide while using the Facebook and Instagram platforms.

The sheer volume of banned and removed content is staggering! Yet the founders of these platforms live under the US Constitution whose First Amendment guarantees freedom of expression and the irony is the heavy handed censorship of the war on Gaza and the hashtags for Palestine and the call to the Muslim armies to intervene and rescue the people of Gaza and Palestine and even the publications by Hizb ut Tahrir where the pages are continually closed on the said media. Posts with certain hashtags are being targeted and risk being shadowbanned or are actually removed.

Suppressing speech and live footage of the crimes and bombings and cries of the grieving and forced raids into civilian homes and the humiliation only serve to the aggressor's aims. These draconian policies are methodical affecting even the highly popular social media influencers by blocking their pages and suspending their accounts. Lies are perpetuated to shift the public opinion on the war on Gaza as a deemed necessity however the masses refuse to swallow the lies as exemplified by the thousands of worldwide protests against the crimes of the criminal Jewish entity whose hands are dripping with blood sponsored by the US. We are no longer bound to the mainstream biased news catering to the slanted side be it the US or the Jewish entity as the victims stream the violence for the whole world to see despite the persistent rigorous attempts to hide these horrors.

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