



Fertility Treatments and Surrogacy

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Surrogacy in Israel

Everything you wanted to know about the amendment to the Surrogacy Law

Fetus carriage agreement law

Agreements for the Carriage of Fetuses (Approval of Agreement and Status of the New Born) Law, 5756-1996 (Hebrew) deals with the agreement between the intended parents and the carrying mother (surrogate), by which the carrying mother agrees to be impregnated by means of an egg transplant fertilized by the intended father's sperm, to carry the pregnancy for the intended parents and to deliver the newborn following birth to the intended parents.

The law is meant for woman in the fertile age who are unable to be impregnated and to carry a pregnancy or if a pregnancy might significantly risk their health. The sperm being used for the in vitro fertilization belongs to the intended father, and the egg to the intended mother. When an egg donation is required the carrying mother is prohibited from donating eggs.

Amendment number 2 to the Agreements Law for the Carriage of Fetuses, 5778-2018

On the 27/10/2018 [Amendment number 2 to the agreements law for the carriage of fetuses](#) (Hebrew) came into force.

The main parts of the amendment:

1. Even a single intended mother can turn to surrogacy provided her own eggs are to be used. (meaning a genetic relation to the baby that will be born).
2. The surrogacy process consists of up to six fertilizing attempts.
3. A carrying mother can initiate the surrogacy process provided she had gone thorough no more than four births.
4. A carrying mother can go through three surrogacy procedures, however no more than two births.

The fetus carriage agreements approval board (surrogacy)

The surrogacy agreement is brought for an approval before the [fetus](#)

This information is also available in the following languages:



Update of directions and forms

For the information of those applying to the board: The board's forms and directions were updated in December 2017. **The new forms are to be used for submitting a file to the board.**

[carriage agreements approval board](#) that examines the physical and mental fitness of all those involved in the procedure.

The board examines the submitted documents, listens to both of the agreements' party sides as required and is authorized, by its own discretion, to require any additional material of both sides and to hear and other person.

The board authorizes the fetus carriage agreement once it had taken into consideration the entirety of data emanating from the assessment and the documents and the issues that had been brought before it. Once it has been accepted that all conditions have been met as they are stipulated in section 5(a) of the law.

The fetus carriage agreements authorization board is authorized to redeliberate the authorization it has granted provided an essential alteration in the facts, circumstances or conditions used as a base for its decision has occurred and as long as the fertilized egg has not yet been transplanted in the carrying mother.

The board's application authorization procedure consists of:

- ▶ Examining compliance with threshold conditions
- ▶ Examining the documents
- ▶ Initial deliberation within the board
- ▶ Personal interviews
- ▶ The board making the decision
- ▶ Agreements notes, provided they will be required
- ▶ Signing the agreement

Members of the board

The fetus carriage agreements approval board is being run by the Minister of Health and has been acting by virtue of the agreements law since the law has come into force.

The board's line up:

- ▶ Two physicians holding a specialist degree in obstetrics and gynecology
- ▶ A physician holding an internal medicine specialist degree
- ▶ A clinical psychologist
- ▶ A social worker
- ▶ A jurist public representative
- ▶ A cleric, as per the religion of the parties to the agreement

Applications to the fetus carriage agreements approval board

[The number of applications submitted to the fetus carriage agreements approval board and the numbers of births, 1996-2017](#)

A carriage mother's profile

193 births in which 231 children have been born.

- ▶ Carrying mother's age
 - ▶ Approximately 47% between the ages of 31 up to 35
 - ▶ Approximately 23% between the ages of 36 to 39

- ▶ Approximately 23% between the ages of 26 up to 30
- ▶ Carrying mother's education

- ▶ Approximately 7% between the ages of 22 up to 25
 - ▶ 32% holding an academic degree, out of which 9% are holding a master's degree and a doctorate
 - ▶ 59% graduated 10-13 years of study
 - ▶ 8% are holding a professional diploma
 - ▶ 1% unknown

- ▶ Marital status of a carrying mother:
 - ▶ 65% are married
 - ▶ 35% are single or divorced

Relevant Links

- ◆ [Public Board to Consider Legislation Regulating Fertility and Childbirth in Israel \(Mor-Yosef Board\) \(Hebrew\)](#)
- ◆ [The Board for Approval of Surrogacy Agreements](#)
- ◆ [Number of applications to the board 1996-2017 \(Hebrew\)](#)
- ◆ [The Fetus Carriage Law \(Hebrew\)](#)
- ◆ [Fetus Carriage Law, Amendment 2 \(Hebrew\)](#)

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