

**The Unofficial Translation of the Al Zorah Protected  
Area Amiri Decree translated from the Arabic Version**

**Amiri Decree No. (1) for the year 2004**  
**Regarding the establishment of a nature reserve area of Al Zorah**

We, Humaid bin Rashid Al Nuaimi, Supreme Council Member, Ruler of Ajman  
Having examined the following :

- The Federal Law No. 24 of 1999 on the protection of the environment and development access to the executive regulation of natural reserves issued under the federal law
- Implementing Regulations natural reserves issued under the Act
- Ajman Municipality Act of 1968
- Amiri Decree No. 4 of 2003, the establishment of the Executive Council of the Emirate of Ajman
- The concerned authorities in the Emirate memorandum on the prevention of environmental degradation of the area Al Zorah

And based on the approval of the President of the Executive Board

We have decided to the following Amiri decree :

**Article 1**

**Decree name and date of start**

This Decree is called No. (1) for the year 2004 “the establishment of a nature reserve area of Al Zorah” and to be effective from the date of signature.

**Article 2**

**Definition**

In implementation of the provisions of this law, the following words and phrases shall bear the meanings given opposite each unless the context otherwise requires:

**Emirate** : Ajman

**Protected area** : The area which is described in Article 3

**Environment Protection Law**: The Federal Law No. 24 of 1999 on the protection of the environment

**Federal Environment Agency :** It is the federal environment which establish according to the Federal Law No. 24 of 1999 on the protection of the environment

**Environment Degradation:** The effects, which diminish the value, deform the nature of the environment, deplete the resources or harm living creatures or archaeological sites of the environment

**Hazardous Substances :** Solid, liquid or gaseous substances having properties harmful to human health or adverse impact on the environment such as toxic substances, explosive, flammable, or ionizing radioactive substances.

**Waste :** All hazardous and non-hazardous remnants and wastes, including nuclear wastes, disposed of or need to be disposed of, in accordance with the provisions of the law and include: Solid waste, liquid waste, gases ,municipal waste, medical waste, industrial waste, demolition waste, oil industry, and transportation

### **Article 3**

#### **Establish the Protected area**

1. The protected area is 1,371,890,50 meter square in Al Zorah area in the Emirate of Ajman
2. Ajman Municipality should fence all area of the protected area and make a gate in the east area.
3. Ajman Municipality should manage the protected area, and can cooperate with other organizations such as, the federal environment agency, and Sheikh Humaid Bin Rashid development and growth of human resources organization and others

### **Article 4**

#### **Prohibited Actions within the Protected**

Subject to the provisions of Article (64) and (65) and (66) and (67) of the Federal Law No. 24 of 1999 on the protection of the environment and development, prohibit - and in public - all behaviors, and business, and activities that will damage, or cause degradation of the environment, or harm to wildlife, or compromising the aesthetic value in the reserve, and in particular, prohibits any person - natural or legal -, that any of the actions, and business, and the following activities:

1. Hunting, or capture, or kill, or harm birds and wildlife in the reserve, or perform any action that would eliminate them. And falls within the prohibited acts or display of birds listed for sale as objects, whether living or dead
2. Transfer, or take any objects, or organic materials; such as plants, rocks, soil from Protected area to the outside, for any purpose, of any kind
3. Introduction of any exotic species of birds, or wildlife, or rock, or soil, or any harmful materials into the protected area.

4. Enter any waste to the protected area
5. Damage or the destruction of geological formations, and geography, in the protected area
6. Destruction of places that are home to species of animal, or plant, or breed in protected area, or destroy the nests of birds, and reptiles, and habitats, or the execution of their eggs.
7. Pollute the soil, water, air of protected area .
8. Carry out military maneuvers, and shooting exercises, or the introduction of any materials potentially explosive or flammable, or radiation .
9. Logging and soil erosion
10. Engage in acts of entertainment, and sports that would kill, or hurt, or cause a negative impact on the wildlife in the protected area
11. Carry out any other disposition consequent environmental degradation in the protected area.
12. The construction of buildings, installations, or roads, or control mechanisms, or vehicles, or other means of transport, or carry out any activities, agricultural, or industrial, or commercial, or recreational, or military in the protected area, should not start without written permission of Ajman Municipality

#### **Article 5**

##### **To Extend Protection to the Areas Surrounding the Protected Area**

Shall not exercise any actions, and acts, and activities in the areas surrounding the protected area in affect, directly or indirectly to the protected area or natural phenomena only after getting written authorization from the Ajman Municipality.

#### **Article 6**

##### **The Protection of Birds and Wild Animals in the Protected Area**

The birds and marine and terrestrial animals that takes the protected area as a site of resting, or nesting, or for establishment receive the same protection as the Federal Law No. (24) for the year 1999 on the protection of the environment and development

#### **Article 7**

##### **The Competent Authority Permits**

Ajman Municipality shall not give any permits that prohibit the actions which are mentioned in article 4 except in the following:

1. To submit the license study of environmental impacts arising from the act or do work or activity on inside the protected area, the study must meet the list of the environmental impact assessment requirements under the Environmental Protection Act, and Ajman Municipality should approve the result of study.

2. It is ascertained that the act or work or activity in application for the education or training or eco-tourism it will not lead to the deterioration of the environment and air in the protected area .
3. To determine the disposition or work or activity in the application is accurate and that the license area includes specific and detailed requirements, in each case to an end and the means necessary to implement the conditions censorship

### **Article 8 Sanctions**

Without prejudice to any other penalty provided for in any other legislation, any person who violates the provisions of this decree shall be punished with the penalty prescribed in the Environmental Protection law. And the Ajman Municipality is to coordinate with the Federal Environmental Agency on the implementation of the international agreement items regarding the protection of endangered species and the protection of animals, and protocols for the protection of endangered animals and the protection of the environment and development within protected area and surrounding areas.

### **Article 9 Orders and Administrative Decisions**

The Director of Ajman Municipality has the right to issue executive orders and administrative decisions that it deems to achieve the objectives of this Decree.

### **Article 10 Circulation of Decree**

This Decree shall be published in the local newspapers and circulated to the competent departments in the emirate and beyond to be implemented.

Issued by us by our signature and our stamp in Amiri Diwan in Ajman on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Al Qoada 1424 AD, 19- January -2004

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Ajman Emirate Ruler