

DECREE-LAW NO. (17) for 2002

With respect to the Organization of Governorates

We, Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the King of the Kingdom of Bahrain,

In Pursuance of the Constitution,
And Decree- Law No (16) for 1996 with respect to the Organization of Governorates”

And upon the submission of the Minister of Interior,
And with the approval of the Council of Ministers,

We hereby decree the following law:

Article 1

The Kingdom of Bahrain shall be divided into five Governorates as follows:

the Capital Governorate,
the Muharraq Governorate,
the Northern Governorate
the Central Governorate ,
the Southern Governorate.

Each Governorate shall comprise the areas within its confines in accordance with the tables and maps of concern with this law.

The establishment of new Governorates or the abrogation of existing ones shall be through a decree.

The determination of the Governorate sites, the modification of its confines or areas therein shall be through a decision from the Prime Minister.

Article 2:

The Governorate shall have a juristic entity, and its financial appropriations shall be included in the state budget and shall be added to the budget of the Ministry of Interior.

Article 3:

The financial sources of the Governorate shall consist of:

- a. Financial appropriations that shall be allocated for the Government in the state budget.
- b. Gifts and donations accepted by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Governorate Coordination Committee in accordance with the conditions and regulations stipulated by the Council of Ministers.

Article 4:

Each Governorate shall have a Governor who shall manage its affairs. He shall be assisted by a deputy, an administrative body, and a coordination committee that shall be formed and whose powers defined according to the articles stipulated in this law.

Article 5:

The Governor and his Deputy shall be appointed and discharged by a decree. Their appointment shall be for a renewable term of four years. The Governor shall answer to the Minister of Interior.

Article 6:

The Governor shall take the following oath before the King prior to assuming his duties:

"I swear by God the Almighty that I will be loyal to the Nation and to the King, that I will respect the Constitution and the Law, and that I will perform my duties with integrity and veracity"

Article 7:

In the absence of the Governor or vacancy of the post thereof, his Deputy shall assume his powers.

Article 8:

The Governor shall be considered the representative of the executive branch within the confines of his Governorate. He shall contribute to the supervision of the implementation of the country's general policy and shall monitor the

development of projects within the Governorate. He shall with relevance thereto particularly:

a. contribute to supervising the services presented by the state institutions and establishments located within the Governorate, with the exception of the judiciary institutions, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Defense.

b. maintain order and public security.

c- encourage religious education and educational, social, athletic, cultural and health activities, endeavor to promote them, support them, and advise them towards the values of responsibilities, cooperation spirit, patriotism, sense of belonging, allegiance, national unity, and one-family spirit with the parties of concern.

d. monitor the implementation by the various bodies in the Governorate of the rules and administrative regulations and ensure the soundness of their application to achieve public interests.

e. receive citizens complaints and endeavor to find adequate solutions through cooperation with institutions of concern.

Article 9:

The Governor shall have the administrative and financial powers stipulated in the rules and regulations of the administrative category determined by the law by decree.

Article 10:

The Governor shall assume the powers where he is entrusted by Ministers and Presidents of public organizations in accordance with the relevant policies stipulated by the Council of Ministers.

Article 11:

The Governor shall communicate directly with the Ministers and President of public organizations and other Government institutions, and review with them

Governorate matters with the objective of ameliorating the competence of the bodies of concern to them. He shall also inform Government institutions of deficiency in the performance of work or duties, or procrastination in accomplishing services.

He shall inform about cases of performance and distinction and offer his suggestions on the matter.

Article 12:

Every Governorate shall have a Coordination Committee to assist in the management of the Governorate. It shall be formed by a decision from the Prime Minister upon a recommendation of the Minister of Interior for a renewable term of four years. It shall be chaired by the Governor and shall comprise the Governor's Deputy, a representative from the Ministry of Interior, the General Director of the Municipality, and representatives from the ministries that offer services within the Governorate whose rank shall be at least heads of directorates.

The Prime Minister may appoint to the Committee representatives of other establishments, specialists and nationals residing in the Governorate.

Committee meetings may be attended, upon invitation from its Chairman, by representatives of other ministries and Government establishments of concern during the discussion of matters within their specialties, but they shall not be empowered to vote.

Article 13:

The Coordination Committee shall in particular:

- a. Assess the needs of the Governorate and endeavor to meet its requirements within the financial sources available.
- b. Endeavor to accelerate and ameliorate the services rendered to the citizens, discuss their general problems and endeavor to activate and organize their participation in finding solutions thereof.

Article 14:

The Coordination Committee shall meet in the premises designated by the Governor, upon his invitation once every month, and whenever there is a need for the meeting.

The meeting shall be valid when more than half of the Committee members are present. Recommendations shall be by absolute majority, and in the case of equality, the party with which the Chairman voted prevails.

Article 15:

The Governor shall inform the ministries and the parties of concern about the suggestions he deems appropriate and of the recommendations of the Coordination Committee to seek their opinions on the suggestions and recommendations and to express their observations.

Article 16:

The Governor shall submit to the Minister of Interior a report every month and at the end of the year on the general state of the Governorate. The Minister may send copies thereof to the concerned ministries and other Governmental institutions.

Article 17:

The Minister of Interior shall preside over a meeting of the Governors every three months and whenever necessary to monitor the Governorates' affairs. The Minister shall submit to the Council of Ministers the results of the meetings and the contents of the reports submitted by the Governors.

Article 18:

The Minister of Interior shall issue the necessary decisions to implement this law.

Article 19:

The Decree-Law (No 16) for 1996 concerning the organization of Governorates shall be revoked. Every provision that conflicts the terms of this law shall be revoked.

Article 20:

The Prime Minister and the ministers, each in his respective capacity, shall implement this law which shall come into effect from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

**King of the Kingdom of
Bahrain
Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa**

**Prime Minister
Khalifa bin Salman Al
Khalifa**

**Minister of Interior
Mohammed bin Khalifa
Al Khalifa**

**Issued in the Riffa Palace:
On the 3rd of July 2002**

Table No. (1)
The Capital Governorate

The following are areas subject to jurisdiction of the Capital Governorate

Area No.	Block Numbers
1	315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 322, 344, 346
2	301, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307
3	303, 312, 313, 314, 351, 353, 354, 356, 357
4	402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436
5	308, 321, 325, 326
6	309, 310, 311, 327, 328, 329
7	324, 340, 341, 342
8	335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 343
9	330, 331, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 373
10	332, 333, 334, 380, 381, 382

Table No. (2)
The Muharraq Governorate

The following are areas subject to jurisdiction of the Muharraq Governorate

Area No.	Block Numbers
1	221, 222, 223, 225, 226, 227, 228
2	203, 205, 206, 207, 209, 211, 217
3	202, 204, 208, 210, 212, 224
4	213, 214, 215, 216
5	231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237
6	251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256
7	240, 242, 243, 246
8	241, 244, 245, 247, 248
9	101,102,103,104,105,106
10	107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 128

Table No. (3)
The Northern Governorate

The following are areas subject to jurisdiction of the Northern Governorate

Area No.	Block Numbers
1	365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 405, 407, 411, 412, 413, 414, 419, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 431, 433, 435, 439, 441, 447, 455
2	438, 444, 449, 450, 453, 454, 456, 458, 460, 463, 465, 469, 471, 473, 475, 477, 479, 502, 504, 506, 508, 514
3	457, 481, 507, 513, 517, 525
4	518, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 536, 538, 540, 542, 544
5	505, 509, 515, 521, 523, 527, 529, 531, 533, 537, 539, 541, 543, 545, 547, 549, 551, 571, 575, 577
6	550, 552, 553, 555, 557, 559, 561, 565, 569, 587, 1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1006, 1089, 1095
7	579, 752, 754, 756, 758, 760, 762, 1009, 1010, 1012, 1014, 1017, 1019, 1020, 1022, 1025, 1026, 1027, 1028
8	1203, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207, 1208
9	1209, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1213, 1214, 1215, 1216
10	1032, 1033, 1034, 1037, 1038, 1041, 1042, 1044, 1046, 1048, 1051, 1052

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The Central Governorate

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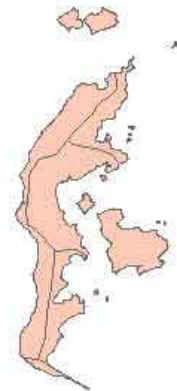
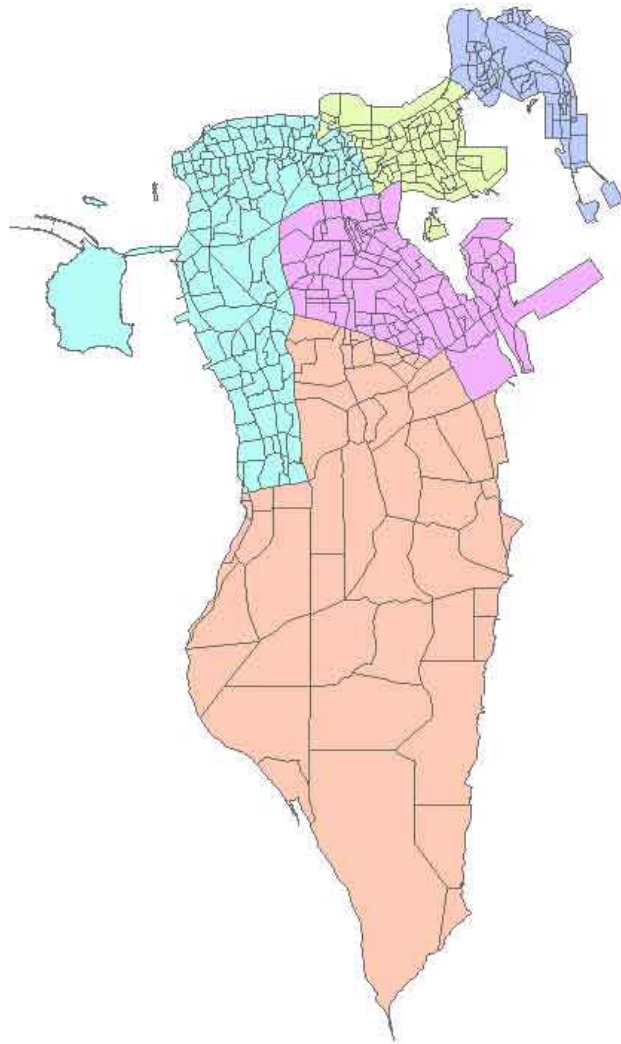
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1	701, 705, 707, 709, 711, 713, 721, 729, 733
2	702, 704, 706, 708, 712, 714, 730, 732, 734, 736, 738, 740, 742, 744, 746, 748
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The Southern Governorate

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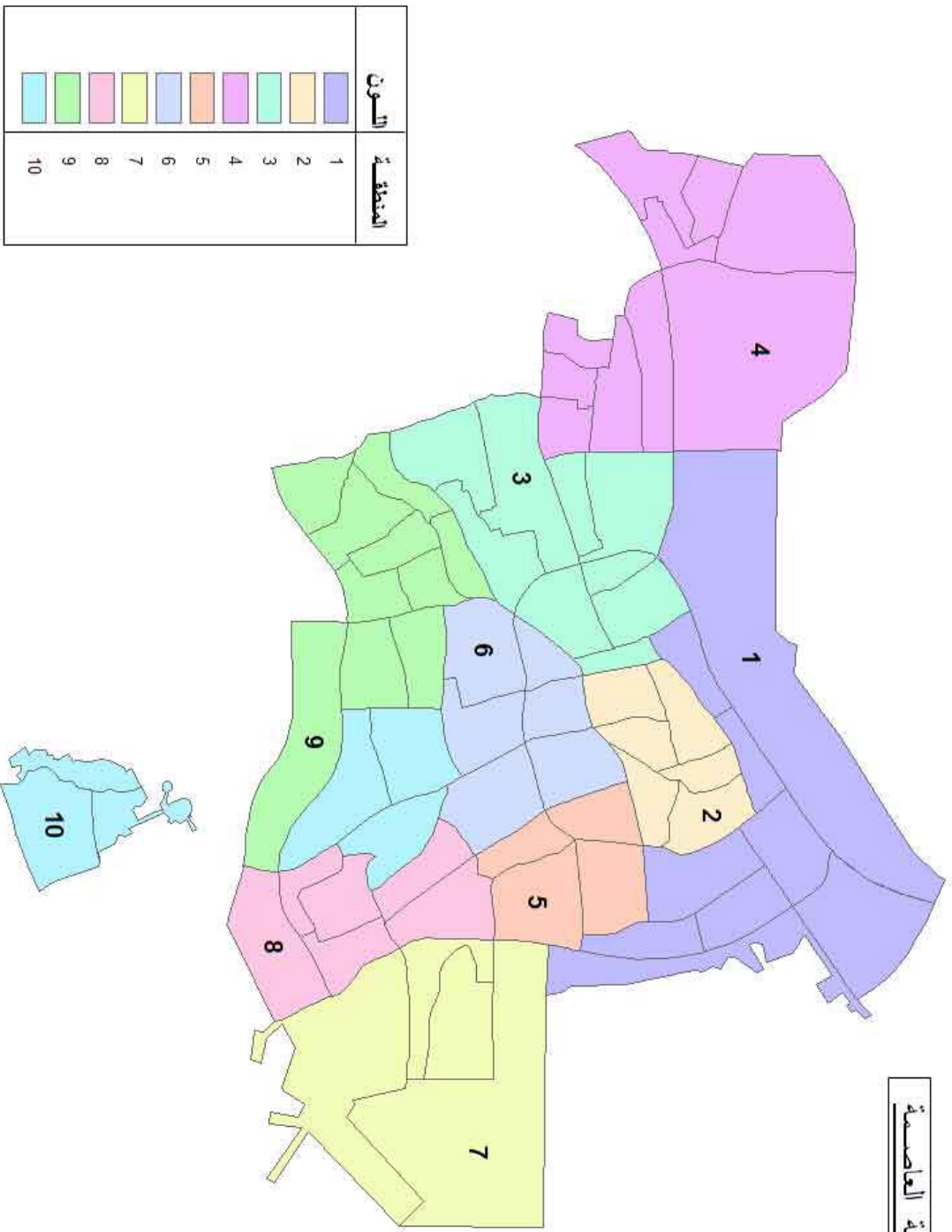
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4	901, 910, 912
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6	943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 976, 981, 983, 985, 986, 987, 988, 995, 997
7	950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955
8	957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 965, 967, 971, 973
9	1054, 1055, 1056, 1057, 1058, 1061, 1062, 1063, 1064, 1067, 1068, 1070, 1099
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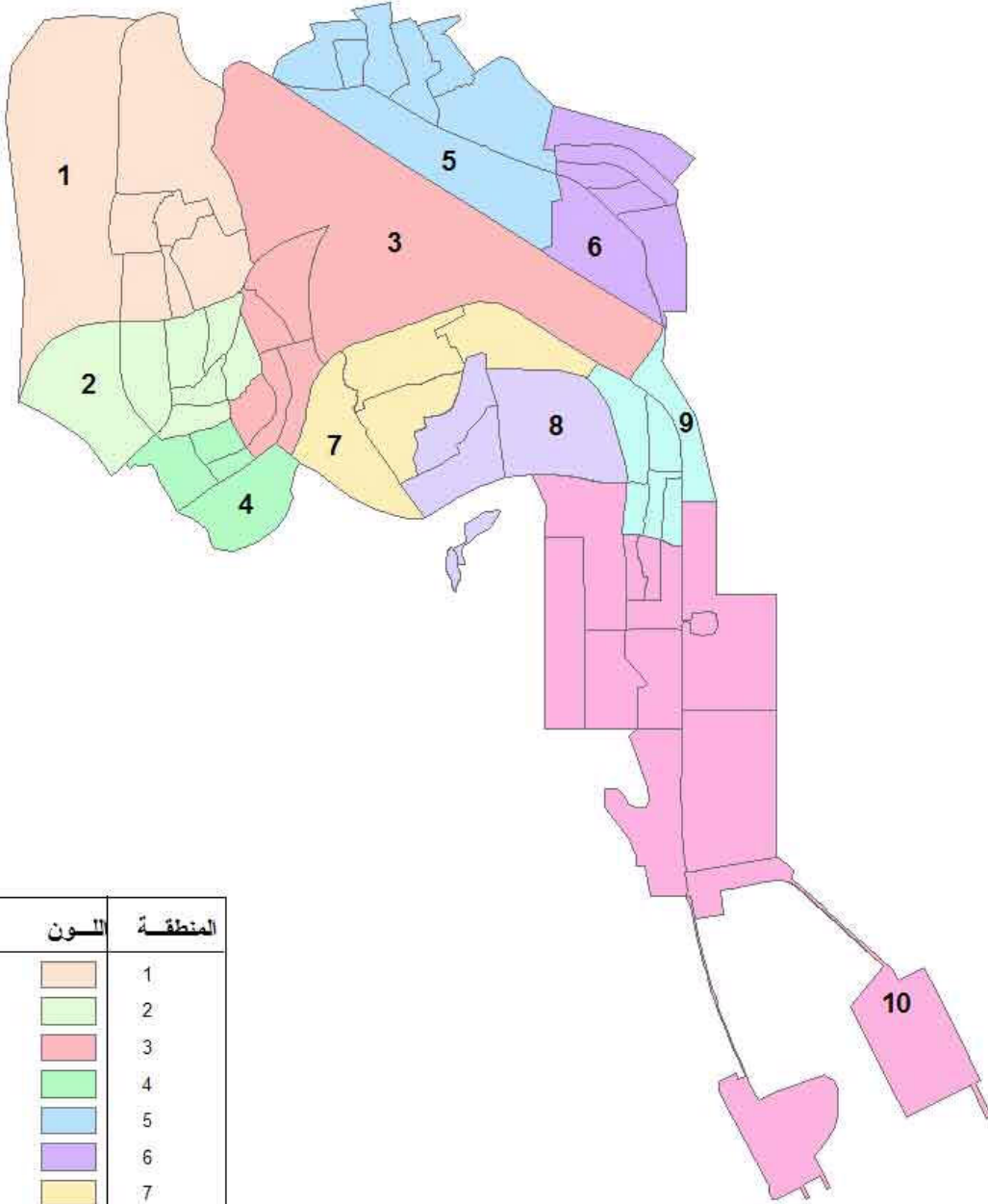
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






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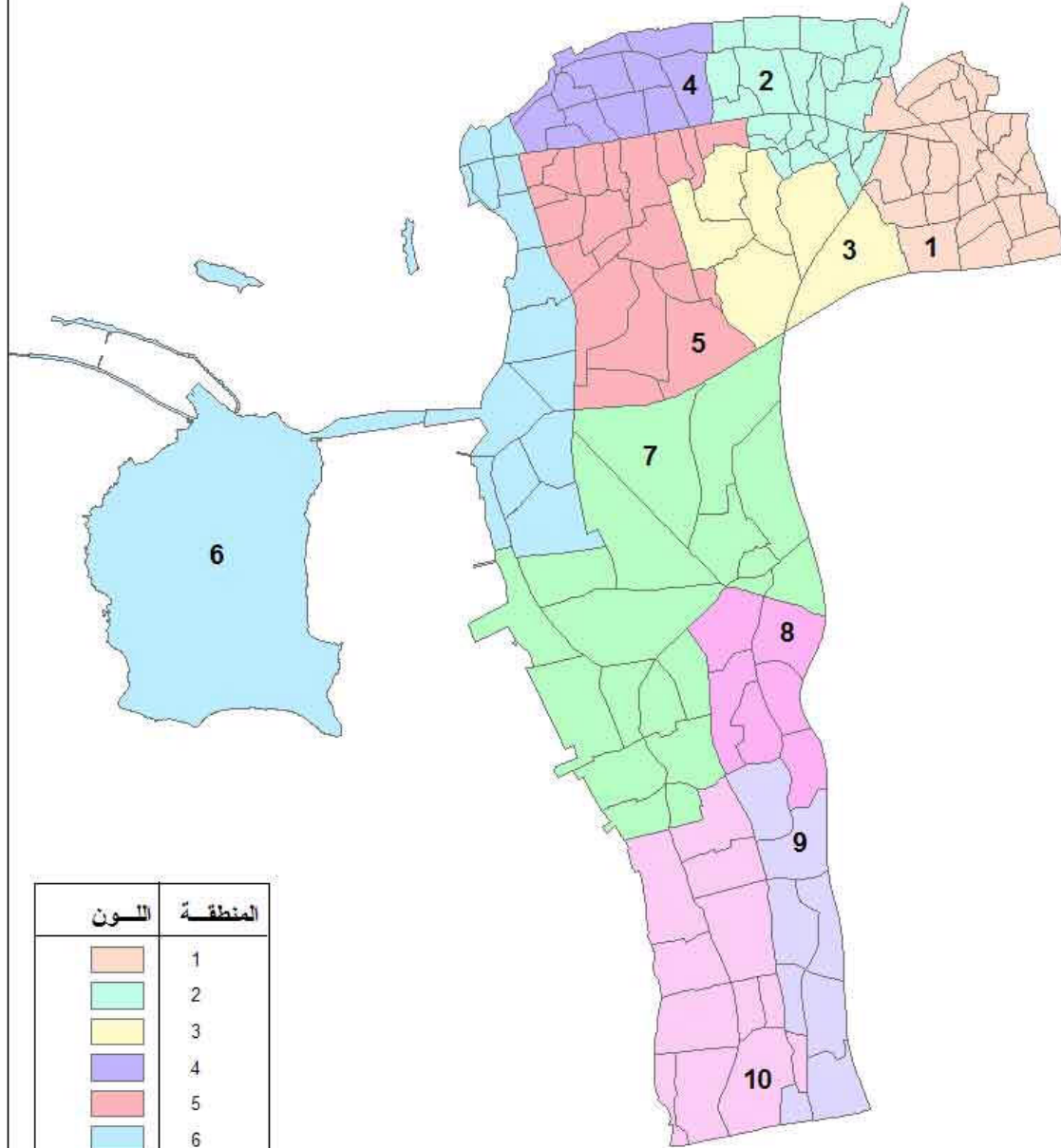
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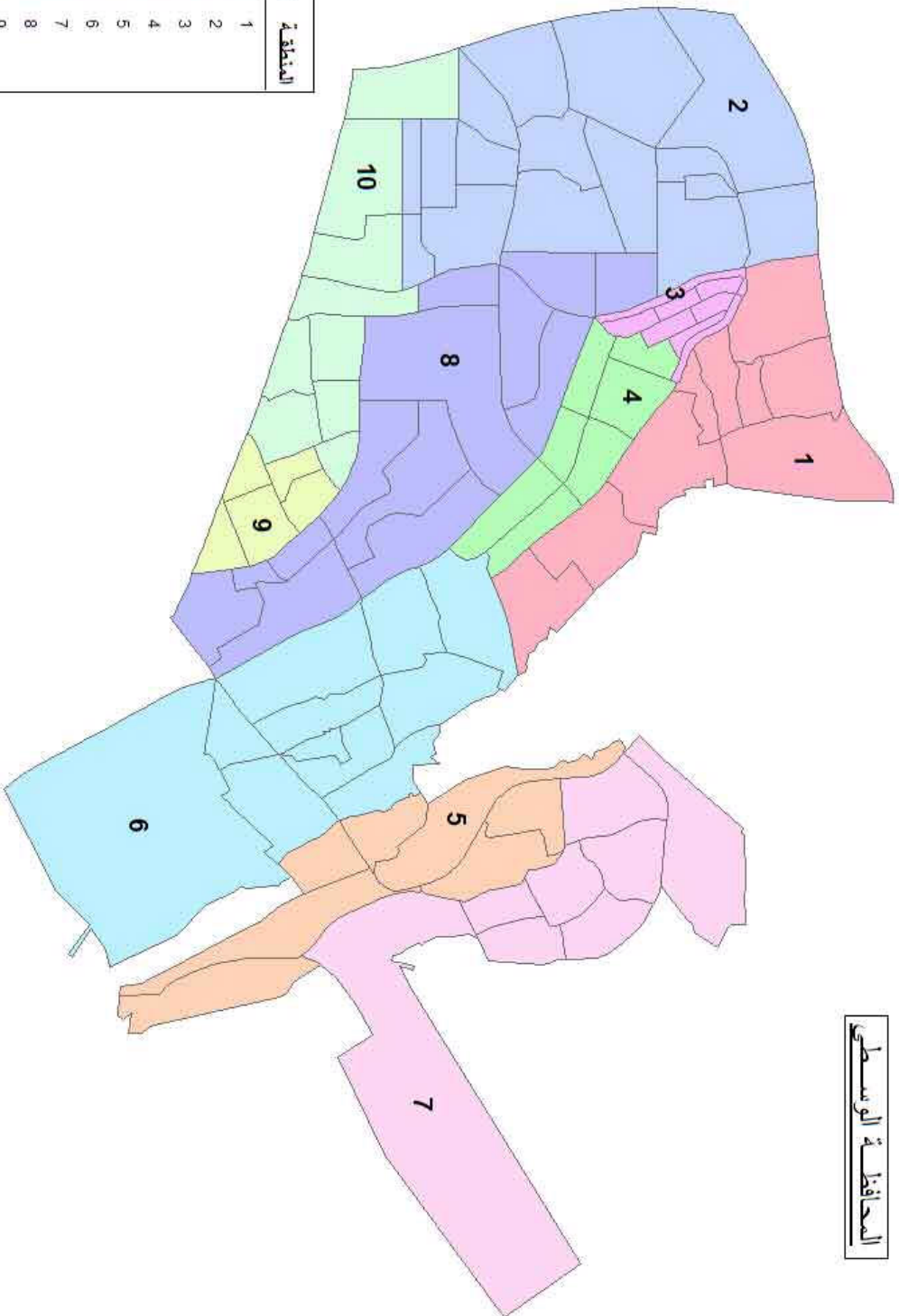
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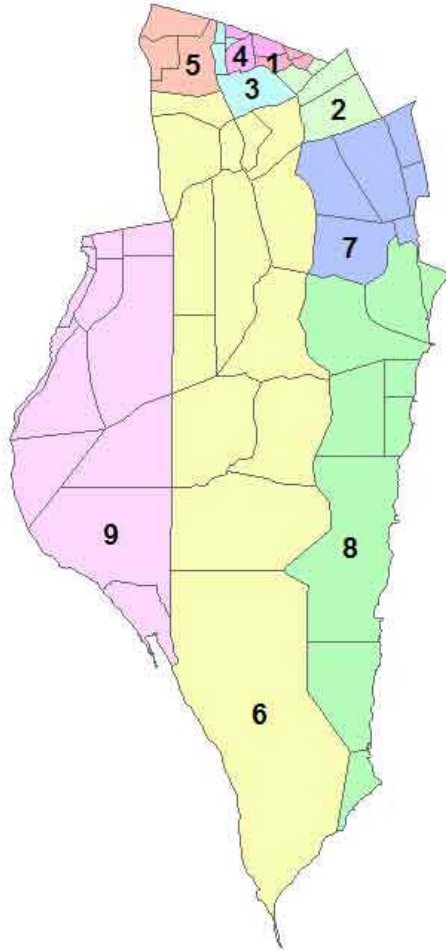
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Green	7
Pink	8
Light Purple	9
Light Pink	10











المحافظة الوسطى



اللون	المنطقة
Red	1
Blue	2
Pink	3
Green	4
Orange	5
Cyan	6
Light Pink	7
Purple	8
Yellow	9
Light Green	10

المحافظة الجنوبية



اللون	المنطقة
	1
	2
	3
	4
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