



When the Alternate Route Comes with a Cost

5. If, in the previous scenario (halacha #4), there are reasons why he may wish to avoid the innocuous route – e.g., it contains a significantly larger toll or will take him much longer – he is permitted to take the cheaper/quicker road. However, he must bear in mind that it is prohibited to see immodestly clad women, even without intent to gaze at them (as previously explained). Therefore, he must be very careful to guard his eyes and avoid seeing any forbidden sights while on that road. (*Bava Basra*

57b; Chofetz Chaim 6:5, Be'er Mayim Chaim 14; see also Chut Shani EH 21:5)