The 6th Principle: When a mitzvah has both a positive commandment and a prohibition, the positive commandment is counted with the positive commandants and the prohibition with the prohibitions.

The 7th Principle: Do not count the details of a mitzvah itself as mitzvos.

The 8th Principle: Do not count a mere negative statement among the prohibitions.

The 9th Principle: Do not count the number of negative or positive statements, but the act which is prohibited or commanded.

The 10th Principle: Do not count the act which precedes [the mitzvah] as a mitzvah.

The 11th Principle: If one mitzvah includes a number of prohibitions, do not count them in order.

The 12th Principle: When commanded to do a certain action, do not count each part of the action separately.

The 13th Principle: Although a certain mitzvah is performed for a number of days, this does not affect the number of mitzvos.

The 14th Principle: How one counts the modes of punishment as positive mitzvos.

1. See Rambam’s Introduction.
2. Tanchuma, Ki Setze.
3. Of Rabbi Yehiel, as listed in the Daily Prayers.
4. An extra word, letter, etc. in a Scriptural verse.