



# Annex 1, list 1: nationality

## Overview of ID and visa provisions according to nationality\*

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# A

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Afghanistan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Albania	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V12 M: D	Yes F: D
Algeria	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S	Yes F: D, S
Andorra	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Angola	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S	Yes F: D, S
Antigua and Barbuda	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Argentina	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Armenia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D	Yes F: D
Australia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Austria (Schengen)	P5 ID	No	No
Azerbaijan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S*	Yes

# B

Country <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	Visa required for stays of up to 90 days <sup>B)</sup>	Visa required for stays of more than 90 days <sup>C)</sup>
Bahamas	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Bahrain	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Bangladesh	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Barbados	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Belarus	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Belgium (Schengen)	P5 ID SB BEL-1	No	No
Belize	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Benin	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M*: D, S	Yes F: D, S
Bhutan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Bolivia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, SP, OP	Yes
Bosnia and Herzegowina	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V12 M: D, S	Yes
Botswana	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Brazil	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Brunei	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Bulgaria (future Schengen member)	ID SB	No	No
Burkina Faso	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Burundi	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes

# C

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Cambodia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Cameroon	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M*: D, S	Yes F: D, S
Canada	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Cape Verde	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Central African Republic	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Chad	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Chile	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
China (People's Republic of China) also see Hong Kong and Macao	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D	Yes F: D
Colombia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, SP, OP	Yes F: D, S, SP, OP
Comoros	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Congo (Brazzaville)	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Congo (Democratic Republic)	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Costa Rica	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Côte d'Ivoire	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Croatia (futur Schengen member)	ID	No	No
Cuba	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, SP	Yes F: D, S, SP
Cyprus (futur Schengen member)	ID CYP-1	No	No
Czech Republic (Schengen)	ID	No	No

# D

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Denmark (Schengen)		No	No
Djibouti	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Dominica	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <b>V1</b>	Yes
Dominican Republic	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D, S, SP, OP</b>	Yes <b>F: D, S, SP, OP</b>

# E

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Ecuador	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a> <a href="#">M: D, S, SP, OP</a>	Yes <a href="#">F: D, S, SP, OP</a>
Egypt	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes
El Salvador	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <a href="#">V1</a>	Yes
Equatorial Guinea	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes
Eritrea	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes
Estonia (Schengen)	<a href="#">ID</a> <a href="#">EST-1</a>	No	No
Ethiopia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes

# F

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Fiji	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Finland (Schengen)	ID FIN-1	No	No
France (Schengen)	P5 ID FRA-1 FRA-2	No	No

# G

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Gabon	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Gambia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Georgia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V12 M: D	Yes
Germany (Schengen)	ID SB DEU-1	No	No
Ghana	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Great Britain (UK)	SB KL GBR-1 GBR-2 GBR-3	No	No
Greece (Schengen)	ID SB GRC-1 GRC-2	No	No
Grenada	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Guatemala	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Guinea	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Guinea-Bissau	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Guyana	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S	Yes F: D, S



# H

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Haiti	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes
Honduras	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <a href="#">V1</a>	Yes
Hong Kong	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <a href="#">V16</a>	Yes
Hungary (Schengen)	<a href="#">ID</a> <a href="#">SB</a> <a href="#">HUN-1</a>	No	No

I

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
India	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D</b>	Yes
Indonesia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D, S</b>	Yes
Iran	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D</b>	Yes <b>F: D</b>
Iraq	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Ireland	<b>ID</b>	No	No
Island (Schengen)	<b>ID</b>	No	No
Israel	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <b>V1</b>	Yes
Italy (Schengen)	<b>ID</b> <b>SB</b> <b>ITA-1</b>	No	No

# J

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Jamaika	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D, S, OP</b>	Yes <b>F: D, S, OP</b>
Japan	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Jordan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes

# K

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Kazakhstan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D</b>	Yes <b>F: D</b>
Kenia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Kiribati	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <b>V1</b>	Yes
Kosovo	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Kuwait	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D, S, SP</b>	Yes <b>F: D, S, SP</b>
Kyrgyzstan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D</b>	Yes <b>F: D</b>

# L

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Laos	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M: D, S, OP</b>	Yes <b>F: D, S, OP</b>
Latvia (Schengen)	<b>ID</b> <b>LVA-1</b> <b>LVA-2</b>	No	No
Lebanon	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Lesotho	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Liberia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Libya	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b>	Yes
Liechtenstein (Schengen)	<b>P5</b> <b>ID</b>	No	No
Lithuania (Schengen)	<b>ID</b>	No	No
Luxembourg (Schengen)	<b>P5</b> <b>SB</b> <b>ID</b> <b>LUX-1</b>	No	No

# M

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Macao	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V17	Yes
Macedonia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V9 V12 M: D, S, SP	Yes F: D, S, SP
Madagascar	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Malawi	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Malaysia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Maldives	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Mali	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Malta (Schengen)	ID	No	No
Marshall Islands	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Mauretania	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Mauritius	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S	Yes F: D, S
Mexico	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Micronesia (Trust Territory of Pacific Islands)	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Moldova	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V12 M: D, S	Yes F: D, S
Monaco (Schengen)	P5 ID MCO-1 MCO-2	No	No
Mongolia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Montenegro	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V12	Yes
Morocco	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, SP	Yes F: D, S, SP
Mozambique	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Myanmar (Burma)	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes

# N

Country <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	Visa required for stays of up to 90 days <sup>B)</sup>	Visa required for stays of more than 90 days <sup>C)</sup>
Namibia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D; S, OP
Nauru	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Nepal	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Netherlands (Schengen)	P5 ID SB NLD-1 NLD-2	No	No
New Zealand	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Nicaragua	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Niger	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Nigeria	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Northern Mariana Islands	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V15	Yes
North Korea	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Norway (Schengen)	ID	No	No

# O

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Oman	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a> <hr/> <a href="#">M: D, S, SP</a>	Yes <a href="#">F: D, S, SP</a>



# P

Country <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	Visa required for stays of up to 90 days <sup>B)</sup>	Visa required for stays of more than 90 days <sup>C)</sup>
Pakistan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Palau	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
<i>Palestine</i>	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Panama	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Papua New Guinea	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Paraguay	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Peru	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, SP	Yes F: D, S, SP
Philippines	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, OP	Yes F: D, OP
Poland (Schengen)	ID	No	No
Portugal (Schengen)	P5 ID PRT-1	No	No

# Q

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Qatar	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a> <hr/> <a href="#">M: D, SP</a>	Yes <a href="#">F: D, SP</a>

# R

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Romania (future Schengen member)	ID ROU-1	No	No
Russia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a> <a href="#">M: D</a>	Yes
Rwanda	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes

# S

Country <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	Visa required for stays of up to 90 days <sup>B)</sup>	Visa required for stays of more than 90 days <sup>C)</sup>
Saint Kitts and Nevis	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Saint Lucia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Salomon Islands	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Samoa (West)	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
San Marino	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Sao Tomé and Príncipe	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Saudi Arabia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Senegal	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Serbia	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V13 M: D, S	Yes
Seychelles	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Sierra Leone	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Singapore	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Slovakia (Schengen)	ID SVK-1	No	No
Slovenia (Schengen)	ID	No	No
Somalia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
South Africa	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
South Korea	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Spain (Schengen)	P5 ID	No	No
Sri Lanka	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Sudan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
South Sudan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Surinam	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Swaziland	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Sweden (Schengen)	ID SWE-1	No	No
Syria	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes

# T

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Tadjikistan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
<i>Taiwan</i>	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V14	Yes
Tanzania	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Thailand	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, S, SP, OP	Yes F: D, S, SP, OP
Timor-Leste	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Togo	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Tonga	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Trinidad and Tobago	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, OP	Yes F: D, S, OP
Tunisia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V M: D, SP	Yes F: D, SP
Turkey	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V V9 M: D, S, SP	Yes F: D, S, SP
Turkmenistan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Tuvalu	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes

# U

Country <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	Visa required for stays of up to 90 days <sup>B)</sup>	Visa required for stays of more than 90 days <sup>C)</sup>
Uganda	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes
Ukraine	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V12 M: D, S	Yes F: D, S, SP
United Arab Emirates (Abu Dhabi, Ajman, Dubai, Fujairah, Ras-al Khaimah, Sarjah, Umm al-Quwain)	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1 M: D, S, SP	Yes F: D, S, SP
United States of America	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Uruguay	see <sup>A)</sup>	No V1	Yes
Uzbekistan	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes V	Yes

# V

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Vanuatu (New Hebrides)	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <b>V1</b>	Yes
Vatican City	see <sup>A)</sup>	No	No
Venezuela	see <sup>A)</sup>	No <b>V1</b> <b>M: D, S</b>	Yes <b>F: D, S</b>
Vietnam	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <b>V</b> <b>M*: D</b>	Yes <b>F: D</b>

# Y

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Yemen	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes



# Z

<b>Country</b> <i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i>	<b>National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b>	<b>Visa required for stays of up to 90 days<sup>B)</sup></b>	<b>Visa required for stays of more than 90 days<sup>C)</sup></b>
Zambia	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes
Zimbabwe	see <sup>A)</sup>	Yes <a href="#">V</a>	Yes

A. All third-country nationals, regardless of their visa obligation status, who wish to enter the Schengen Area through Switzerland must be in possession of a recognized travel document that meets both of the following two requirements:

- The validity of the travel document must extend at least three months after the intended date of departure from the Schengen Area; and
- the travel document must have been issued within the previous 10 years.

The date of issue of the travel document shall be the determining factor, notwithstanding any decision by the authorities to extend the period of validity of the travel document.

The aforementioned provisions on the validity of travel documents do not apply to travel documents of third-country nationals who hold a valid residence permit issued by a Schengen country ([□ List of residence permits issued by Schengen member states](#)) or who have been issued valid category D visa for a longer-term stay in a Schengen country. In such cases, the travel document must be valid at the time of entry and remain valid for the entire duration of the planned stay in Switzerland or other Schengen country.

Please find travel documents entitling the holder to cross the external borders in Annex 2 of the Visa Guidelines:

#### [Annex 2: Recognized travel documents](#) □

To ensure that the most recent documents are available at all times, reference is made to the website of the European Commission. The documents can be found on the right under "Info": (Travel documents issued by third countries and territorial entities (Part I); Travel documents issued by Member States (Part II); Travel documents issued by international organisations and other entities subject to international law (Part III); List of known fantasy and camouflage passports)

- B. The maximum duration of short stays within the Schengen Area is 90 days in any 180-day period. The entry and departure dates are also used in the calculation of the duration of stay.
- C. For stays in Switzerland of more than 90 days, a residence permit is required. In principle, this residence permit has to be filed before entering Switzerland at the cantonal migration office. The same applies also to nationals of countries who are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than three months.

# List of travel documents

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### B

"Business Passport"

### ID

Valid national identity card

### K

Consular passport

### KL

Collective passport / collective list

### PA

"Public Affairs Passport"

### P5

Passport expired for less than five years

### SB

Seaman's book: Only recognized if issued to own citizens.

### ST

Student passport

## Belgium: BEL-1

French or Luxembourg identity cards for foreign nationals (these ID cards must prove that the holder has Belgian citizenship); children's ID for under 15-year olds, for children less than 12 years old travelling accompanied by their parents (also valid without photo); temporary Belgian identity card.

## Cyprus: CYP-1

Not to be mistaken with the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is not recognised by Switzerland.

## Estonia: EST-1

The Alien's Passport issued by Estonia is valid for entry into Switzerland without a residence permit and without a visa for stays of up to 3 months (V1); obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months.

## Finland: FIN-1

The Finnish identity card for minors (Minor's identity card) (violet) and the identity card for foreigners (Identity card) (brown) are not accepted for entry into Switzerland. On the backside of these documents is mentioned explicitly, that these documents are not valid for travelling ("Not valid as a travel document").

## France: FRA-1

Temporary identity cards; child's laissez-passer for children under 15 years of age (children under 7 also without photo); Swiss foreign resident's permit with photo; Belgian or Luxembourg identity cards for resident foreigners (these identity cards must prove that the holder has French citizenship).

## France: FRA-2

Since 1 January 2014, the French identity card issued to adults has been valid for 15 years.

The 15-year period of validity also applies to identity cards that were issued between 1 January 2004 and 31 December 2013, even if the period of validity noted on the document is only 10 years.

Identity cards for minors remain valid for a period of 10 years only.

## Germany: DEU-1

National passport expired for less than one year; valid child's passport or child's identity card (or expired for less than one year); national identity card («Personalausweis») which is valid or expired for less than one year; valid temporary identity card ("Personalausweis").

## Great Britain (UK): GBR-1

British passports containing under the heading «nationality» one of the following entries:

"British Citizen" (B.C.);

- visa exemption

"British National (Overseas)" (B.N.O.);

- visa exemption for stays up to 90 days (V1);
- obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 90 days

"British Overseas Territory Citizen" (B.O.T.C.);

- visa exemption for stays up to 90 days (V1);
- obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 90 days

"British Overseas Citizen" (B.O.C.);

- visa exemption for stays up to 90 days (V1);
- obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 90 days

"British Subject";

- visa exemption for stays up to 90 days (V1);
- obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 90 days

"British Protected Person";

- visa exemption for stays up to 90 days (V1);
- obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 90 days

## Great Britain (UK): GBR-2

Identity cards issued by the United Kingdom that indicate "British Citizen" (B.C.) under the Nationality heading are no longer considered as valid travel documents for Switzerland.

## Great Britain (UK): GBR-3

Gibraltar: Identity cards issued by the United Kingdom/Gibraltar that indicate "British Citizen" (B.C.) under the Nationality heading are recognised for entry and stay in Switzerland.

## Greece: GRC-1

Ordinary Greek passports issued before January 1, 2006, are not valid for entry into Switzerland anymore.

## Greece: GRC-2

Identity card for Hellenic police personnel

## Hungary: HUN-1

Ordinary passport expired for less than one year; identity card expired for less than one year.

## Italy: ITA-1

Are also valid for entry into Switzerland:

For children under age 15: birth certificate authenticated by the police or identity card with a photo of the holder; personal identity card for state officials and their family members. Italian paper identity cards (ID cards) carrying the appropriate official stamp that extends the validity of the ID cards. Italian ID cards in credit card format with a separate confirmation of extension are not recognized as valid travel documents.

## Latvia LVA-1

The Alien's Passport issued by Latvia (Latvijas Republika) is valid for entry into Switzerland without a residence permit and without a visa for stays of up to 3 months (V1); obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months.

## Latvia: LVA-2

Latvian passports issued from July 1, 1992, to June 30, 2002, are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland.

## Luxembourg: LUX-1

Belgian or French identity card for resident foreigners (these ID cards must prove that the holder has Luxembourg citizenship); identity card and children's travel document for children under age 15.

## Monaco: MCO-1

Laissez-passer for children under 15 years of age, from 7 years of age with photo; Swiss foreign resident's permit with photo.

## Monaco: MCO-2

The travel document for refugees issued in accordance with the London Agreement of 15 October 1946 or the Geneva Convention of 28 July 1951 is valid for entry if the document gives evidence that its valid for Switzerland; obligation to hold a visa (V).

## Netherlands: NLD-1

Are also valid for entry into Switzerland:

European identity card (ID); Laissez-passer, Belgian or Luxembourg ID card for foreigners which gives evidence of the holder's Dutch nationality.

## Netherlands: NLD-2

"Substitute Identity Card" with the words "NOT VALID FOR TRAVEL!" at the front and "NOT VALID FOR TRAVEL OUTSIDE SCHENGEN AREA" at the back.

## Portugal: PRT-1

Birth certificate (Boletim de nascimento) if the holder is a minor.

## Romania: ROU-1

The travel document "Titlu de calatorie" in the form of a loose-leaf is accepted for entry into Switzerland.

## Slovakia: SVK-1

The Slovak ID card issued to citizens older than 60 years is valid for an unlimited period of time. It contains a dash under the heading "Date of expiry".

## Sweden: SWE-1

The Skatteverkets identitetskort/identity card issued by the Swedish tax office to third-state nationals, even in combination with a residence permit, is also not recognised for entry to Switzerland.

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## V

Third state members in possession of both a valid residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa and a recognized and valid travel document are exempt from visa requirements.

[□ List of residence permits issued by Schengen member states](#)

## V1

Obligation to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

in the primary or secondary construction industry and civil engineering, catering and hotel services, industrial and private cleaners, surveillance and security services, and erotic services;

gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized and valid travel document.

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## V9

Under the European Agreement of December 16, 1961, young persons in possession of a collective passport are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa.



## V12

The visa requirement exemption applies only to holders of biometric passports.

Obligation to hold a visa:

with regard to exercising gainful occupation (even if the occupation does not exceed 8 days within a calendar year)

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized and valid travel document.

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## V13

The visa requirement exemption applies only to holders of biometric passports.

Obligation to hold a visa:

for holders of a biometric or non-biometric Serbian passport issued by the Coordination Directorate (in Serbian: Koordinaciona uprava) ([V](#));

with regard to exercising gainful occupation (even if the occupation does not exceed 8 days within a calendar year).

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized and valid travel document.

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## V14

Obligation to hold a visa:

for holders of a valid passport which does not include an identity card number ([V](#));

with regard to exercising gainful occupation (even if the occupation does not exceed 8 days within a calendar year).

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized and valid travel document.

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## V15

Obligation to hold a visa:

with regard to exercising gainful occupation (even if the occupation does not exceed 8 days within a calendar year).

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized and valid travel document.

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## V16

The visa requirement exemption applies only to holders of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Passport (HKSAR Passport).

Obligation to hold a visa:

for holders of a Document of Identity for visa purposes containing under the heading "nationality" the entry "Chinese". In this case, the document is a Chinese passport ([V](#)).

Obligation to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

in the primary or secondary construction industry and civil engineering, catering and hotel services, industrial and private cleaners, surveillance and security services, and erotic services;

gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized travel document.

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## V17

The visa requirement exemption applies only to holders of Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Passport (MSAR passport).

Obligation to hold a visa:

for holders of a Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Travel Permit (MSAR Travel Permit) containing under the heading "nationality" the entry "Chinese". In this case, the document is a Chinese passport ([V](#)).

Obligation to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

in the primary or secondary construction industry and civil engineering, catering and hotel services, industrial and private cleaners, surveillance and security services, and erotic services;

gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.

Exemption to hold a visa with regard to exercising gainful occupation:

Holders of a longterm residence permit issued by a Schengen member state or a valid type D visa, provided they also hold a recognized travel document.

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# List of visa requirements for holders of a diplomatic, service, special, or an official passport

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### M: D

Holders of a **diplomatic passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

### M\*: D

Holders of a **diplomatic passport** are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa if they travel to Switzerland on an official mission

### M: D, S

Holders of a **diplomatic or service passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

### M: D, S\*

Holders of a **diplomatic or a biometric service passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

### M\*: D, S

Holders of a **diplomatic or service passport** are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa if they travel to Switzerland on an official mission.

## M: D, S, SP

Holders of a **diplomatic, service or special passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

## M: D, S, OP

Holders of a **diplomatic, service or an official passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

## M: D, S, SP, OP

Holders of a **diplomatic, service, special, or an official passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

## M: D, SP

Holders of a **diplomatic or special passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

## M: D, OP

Holders of a **diplomatic or an official passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland: on an official mission or for other travel purposes without exercising a gainful occupation.

## F: D

Holders of a **diplomatic passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).

## F: D, S

Holders of a **diplomatic or service passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).

F: D, S, SP

Holders of a **diplomatic, service or special passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).

F: D, S, OP

Holders of a **diplomatic, service or an official passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).

F: D, S, SP, OP

Holders of a **diplomatic, service, special or an official passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).

F: D, SP

Holders of a **diplomatic or special passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).

F: D, OP

Holders of a **diplomatic or an official passport** are exempt from visa requirements if they travel to Switzerland to take up their duties (prise de fonctions).