



**List 1: Overview of ID and visa provisions according to nationality** (version of 23 October 2009)

| <b>Country</b><br><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 3 months</b> | <b>Visa required for stays of more than 3 months</b> |
|--|--|--|--|
| Afghanistan  | B, ST  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Albania  | SB   | Yes <sup>V, V7</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V7</sup>                                    |
| Algeria  | SB   | Yes <sup>V, V2</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V2</sup>                                    |
| Andorra  |  | No   | No   |
| Angola   | SB   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Antigua and Barbuda  | SB   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Argentina  | SB, K  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Armenia  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Australia  |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Austria (Schengen)   | P5, ID   | No   | No   |
| Azerbaijan   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Bahamas  |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Bahrain  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Bangladesh   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Barbados   | SB   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Belarus  | SB   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Belgium (Schengen)   | P5, ID, SB, 1  | No   | No   |
| Belize   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Benin  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Bhutan   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Bolivia  |  | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Bosnia and Herzegowina   |  | Yes <sup>V, V2</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Botswana   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Brazil   |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |

- B "Business Passport"
- ID Identity card
- K Consular passport
- P5 Passport expired for less than five years
- SB Seaman's book
- ST Student passport
- 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.
- V Third state members in possession of both a valid permanent residence permit issued by a Schengen member state (cf. List 3a) and a recognized travel document are exempt from visa requirement.
- 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 sex industry.  
- gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.
- V2 Holders of a valid diplomatic or service passport are exempt from visa requirements.
- V5 Holders of an official passport (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 for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.
- V7 Holders of a valid diplomatic passport are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland:  
- on an official mission; or  
- for other travel purposes for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.

| <b>Country</b><br><i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i> | <b>National passports<sup>♦</sup> and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b> | <b>Visa required for stays of up to 3 months</b> | <b>Visa required for stays of more than 3 months</b> |
|--|---|--|--|
| Brunei   |   | No   | No   |
| Bulgaria (future Schengen member)  | ID, SB  | No   | No   |
| Burkina Faso   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Burundi  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Cambodia   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Cameroon   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Canada   | SB, 11  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Cape Verde   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Central African Republic   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Chad   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Chile  |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| China (People's Republic of China) also see Hong Kong und Macao                | SB, PA  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Colombia   |   | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Comoros  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Congo (Brazzaville)  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Congo (Democratic Republic)  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Costa Rica   | K   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Côte d'Ivoire  | 3   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Croatia  | SB, KL  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Cuba   | SB  | Yes <sup>V, V4</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V4</sup>                                    |
| Czech Republic (Schengen)  | ID  | No   | No   |
| Denmark (Schengen)   | ID  | No   | No   |
| Djibouti   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Dominica   | SB  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Dominican Republic   |   | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Ecuador  |   | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |

ID Identity card

K Consular passport

KL Collective passport/collective list

SB Seaman's book

PA "Public Affairs Passport"

3 Irrespective of their duration of validity, diplomatic passports (red cover) or service passports (black cover) issued before January 1, 2001, are not valid for entry into Switzerland anymore.

V Third state members in possession of both a valid permanent residence permit issued by a Schengen member state (cf. List 3a) and a recognized travel document are exempt from visa requirement.

V1 Obligation to hold a 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 sex industry.
- gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.

V4 Holders of an official passport (diplomatic, service, or special passports) are exempt from visa requirements.

V5 Holders of an official passport (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 for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.

| <b>Country</b><br><i>(Countries in italics: not recognized by Switzerland)</i> | <b>National passports<sup>♦</sup> and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland</b> | <b>Visa required for stays of up to 3 months</b> | <b>Visa required for stays of more than 3 months</b> |
|--|---|--|--|
| Egypt  | SB, ST, 35  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| El Salvador  |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Equatorial Guinea  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Eritrea  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Estonia (Schengen)   | ID, 29  | No   | No   |
| Ethiopia   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Fiji   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Finland (Schengen)   | ID  | No   | No   |
| France (Schengen)  | P5, ID, 4   | No   | No   |
| Gabon  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Gambia   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Georgia  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Germany (Schengen)   | ID, SB, 2   | No   | No   |
| Ghana  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Great Britain (UK)   | ID, SB, 6   | No   | No   |
| Greece (Schengen)  | ID, SB, 5   | No   | No   |
| Grenada  | SB  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Guatemala  |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Guinea   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Guinea-Bissau  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Guyana   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Haiti  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Honduras   |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |

ID Identity card

P5 Passport expired for less than five years

SB Seaman's book

ST Student passport

2 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").

4 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).

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

6 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 3 months → V1; obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months
- "British Overseas Territory Citizen" (B.O.T.C.); obligation to hold a visa → V
- "British Overseas Citizen" (B.O.C.); obligation to hold a visa → V
- "British Subject"; obligation to hold a visa → V
- "British Protected Person"; obligation to hold a visa → V

29 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.

35 Travel documents for Palestinian refugees issued by Egypt, Lebanon or Syria are valid for entry into Switzerland.

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| Hong Kong  | 7   | 7  | Yes  |
| Hungary (Schengen)   | ID  | No   | No   |
| India  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Indonesia  | SB  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Iran   | SB  | Yes <sup>V, V7</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V7</sup>                                    |
| Iraq   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Ireland  | ID  | No   | No   |
| Island (Schengen)  | ID  | No   | No   |
| Israel   |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Italy (Schengen)   | ID, SB, 9   | No   | No   |
| Jamaika  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Japan  |   | No   | No   |
| Jordan   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Kazakhstan   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Kenia  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Kiribati   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Kosovo   | 12, 18  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Kuwait   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Kyrgyzstan   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Laos   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |

ID Identity card

SB Seaman's book

7 The following documents are valid for entry into Switzerland:

- Hong Kong Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Passport (HKSAR Passport); visa exemption → V1
- Hong Kong British National Overseas Passport (BNO Passport); visa exemption → V1
- Hong Kong Certificate of Identity; obligation to hold a visa → V
- Document of Identity for visa purposes containing under the heading "nationality" the entry "Chinese." In this case, the document is a Chinese passport. (If holder's nationality is not mentioned, the document is not valid for entry into Switzerland.); obligation to hold a visa → V

(The "Hong Kong British Dependent Territories Citizens Passport" is not valid anymore for entry into Switzerland.)

9 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.

12 Besides the passports issued by Kosovo from July 2008, the following documents will temporarily remain valid for entry into Switzerland:

- Passports of Serbia and Montenegro
- Passports of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia
- UNMIK travel documents

18 Passports of the former Socialist Republic of Yugoslavia (with red cover and wording "SFR JUGOSLAVIJA") are no longer accepted for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period.

Diplomatic and official passports with a blue cover and heading Republic of Yugoslavia ( "САВЕЗНА РЕПУБЛИКА ЈУГОСЛАВИЈА" ) are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period. Ordinary passports with the heading Republic of Yugoslavia remain valid until 31 December 2009 at the latest.

Note: Until further notice, the valid passport of Serbia and Montenegro still mentions "Yugoslavia."

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| Latvia (Schengen)  | ID, 30, 31  | No   | No   |
| Lebanon  | 35  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Lesotho  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Liberia  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Libya  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Liechtenstein (future Schengen member)   | P5, ID  | No   | No   |
| Lithuania (Schengen)   | ID  | No   | No   |
| Luxembourg (Schengen)  | P5, SB, ID, 14  | No   | No   |
| Macao  | 15  | 15   | Yes  |
| Macedonia  |   | Yes <sup>V, V5, V9</sup>                         | Yes <sup>V5, V9</sup>                                |
| Madagascar   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Malawi   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Malaysia   |   | No   | No   |
| Maldives   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Mali   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Malta (Schengen)   | ID  | No   | No   |
| Marshall Islands   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Mauretania   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Mauritius  |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Mexico   |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Micronesia (Trust Territory of Pacific Islands)                                |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |

ID Identity card

P5 Passport expired for less than five years

SB Seaman's book

14 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.

15 The following documents are valid for entry into Switzerland:

- Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Passport (MSAR passport); visa exemption → V1
- Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Travel Permit (MSAR Travel Permit) containing under the heading "nationality" the entry "Chinese." Visa requirement → V

30 The Alien's Passport issued by Latvia (Latvijas Republika) is valid for entry into Switzerland without a resi-dence 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.

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

35 Travel documents for Palestinian refugees issued by Egypt, Lebanon or Syria are valid for entry into Switzerland.

V Third state members in possession of both a valid permanent residence permit issued by a Schengen member state (cf. List 3a) and a recognized travel document are exempt from visa requirements.

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

V5 Holders of an official passport (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 for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.

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.

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|--|--|--|--|
| Moldova  |  | Yes <sup>V, V7, V8</sup>                         | Yes <sup>V7, V8</sup>                                |
| Monaco (Schengen)  | P5, ID, 16   | No   | No   |
| Mongolia   | 17   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Montenegro   | 18   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Morocco  |  | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Mozambique   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Myanmar (Burma)  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Namibia  |  | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V5</sup>                                    |
| Nauru  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Nepal  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Netherlands (Schengen)   | P5, ID, SB, 19   | No   | No   |
| New Zealand  |  | No   | No   |
| Nicaragua  |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Niger  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Nigeria  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Northern Mariana Islands   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| North Korea  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Norway (Schengen)  | ID   | No   | No   |
| Oman   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Pakistan   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Palau  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| <i>Palestine</i>   | 21, 35   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |

ID Identity card

P5 Passport expired for less than five years

SB Seaman's book

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

17 Diplomatic passports issued before January 31, 2002, and official passports issued before April 30, 2002, are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period.

18 Passports of the former Socialist Republic of Yugoslavia (with red cover and wording "SFR JUGOSLAVIJA") are no longer accepted for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period.  
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Note: Until further notice, the valid passport of Serbia and Montenegro still mentions "Yugoslavia."

19 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.

21 State not recognised by Switzerland. However, the documents PASSPORT / TRAVEL DOCUMENT and VIP PASSPORT / TRAVEL DOCUMENT issued by Palestine are accepted for entry into Switzerland.

35 Travel documents for Palestinian refugees issued by Egypt, Lebanon or Syria are valid for entry into Switzerland.

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V8 Holders of a service passport are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland:  
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| Panama   | K, ST  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Papua New Guinea   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Paraguay   | K  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Peru   |  | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Philippines  |  | Yes <sup>V, V3</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V3</sup>                                    |
| Poland (Schengen)  | ID   | No   | No   |
| Portugal (Schengen)  | P5, ID, 22   | No   | No   |
| Qatar  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Romania (future Schengen member)   | ID   | No   | No   |
| Russia   | 23   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Rwanda   | 24   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis  | SB   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Saint Lucia  | SB   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Saint Vincent and the Grenadines   | SB   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Salomon Islands  | SB   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Sambia   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Samoa (West)   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| San Marino   | P5, ID, 25   | No   | No   |
| Sao Tomé and Príncipe  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Saudi Arabia   |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Senegal  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Serbia   | 18   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Seychelles   |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |

ID Identity card

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SB Seaman's book

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

23 Seaman's book (valid for entry into Switzerland if the document gives evidence that (a) its holder is a citizen of the issuing state and (b) there is proof that the holder of the document is a member of the vessel's crew.

24 Passports issued before January 1, 2004, are not valid for entry into Switzerland.

25 Laissez-passer for children under age 15.

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| Sierra Leone   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Singapore  |   | No   | No   |
| Slovakia (Schengen)  | ID, 36  | No   | No   |
| Slovenia (Schengen)  | ID  | No   | No   |
| Somalia  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| South Africa   |   | Yes <sup>V, (V6)</sup>                           | Yes <sup>(V6)</sup>                                  |
| South Korea  |   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Spain (Schengen)   | P5, ID  | No   | No   |
| Sri Lanka  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Sudan  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Surinam  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Swaziland  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Sweden (Schengen)  | ID  | No   | No   |
| Syria  | 35  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Tadjikistan  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| <i>Taiwan</i>  | <i>K</i>  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Tansania   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Thailand   | 32  | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V5</sup>                                    |
| Timor-Leste  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Togo   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Tonga  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Trinidad and Tobago  |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Tunesia  |   | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes  |
| Turkey   |   | Yes <sup>V, V5, V9, V10</sup>                    | Yes <sup>V5</sup>                                    |
| Turkmenistan   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Tuvalu   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Uganda   |   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |

ID Identity card

K Consular passport

P5 Passport expired for less than five years

32 Free Passport

35 Travel documents for Palestinian refugees issued by Egypt, Lebanon or Syria are valid for entry into Switzerland.

V Third state members in possession of both a valid permanent residence permit issued by a Schengen member state (cf. List 3a) and a recognized travel document are exempt from visa requirements.

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

V5 Holders of an official passport (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 for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.

(V6) Agreement on visa exemption for official passports in planning.

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.

V10 Turkish pupils attending a German institute of learning on school trips are exempted from the obligation of holding a visa, providing due authorisation by the principal.

36 The Slovak identity 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".

| <b>Country</b><br><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 3 months</b> | <b>Visa required for stays of more than 3 months</b> |
|---|--|--|--|
| Ukraine   | 23, 26, 27   | Yes <sup>V, V5</sup>                             | Yes <sup>V5</sup>                                    |
| United Arab Emirates (Abu Dhabi, Ajman, Dubai, Fujairah, Ras-al Khaimah, Sarjah, Umm al-Quwain) |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| United States of America  | 28, 34   | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Uruguay   |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Usbekistan  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Vanuatu (New Hebrides)  |  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Vatican City  | 33   | No   | No   |
| Venezuela   |  | No <sup>V1</sup>                                 | Yes <sup>V6</sup>                                    |
| Vietnam   |  | Yes <sup>V, V11</sup>                            | Yes <sup>V11</sup>                                   |
| Yemen   | 10   | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Zimbabwe  | B  | Yes <sup>V</sup>                                 | Yes  |
| Cyprus (future Schengen member)   | ID, 20   | No   | No   |

B „Business Passport“

ID Identity card

10 Only passports of the Republic of Yemen are valid for entry into Switzerland.

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

23 Seaman's book (valid for entry into Switzerland if the document gives evidence that (a) its holder is a citizen of the issuing state and (b) there is proof that the holder of the document is a listed member of the vessel's crew.

26 Children's identity document (blue booklet)

27 In autumn 2004 the Ukrainian authorities have temporarily run out of blank forms for service passports. Therefore, some persons entitled to a Ukrainian service passport were issued an ordinary passport which counts as a service passport and is valid for 5 or 10 years. In such cases the passport contains a stamp on the page reserved for official observations that states both in Ukrainian and in English the remark "Passport issued as service passport of Ukraine" as well as the official function of the holder and the date. Holders of such passports are exempted from the obligation to hold a visa under the same conditions as holders of standard service passports.

28 Military ID card (Armed Forces of the United States) with photo, in civilian clothes, or with a permit to wear uniform.

33 Passaporto del Governatorato

34 The foreign resident's passport (named "travel document" bearing the mention "Permit to re-enter" on cover page 2) is valid for entry into Switzerland; obligation to hold a visa. Not to be confused with the "Re-entry Permit" (white booklet), which is not valid for entry into Switzerland.

V Third state members in possession of both a valid permanent residence permit issued by a Schengen member state (cf. List 3a) and a recognized travel document are exempt from visa requirement.

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 sex industry.

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

V6 Holders of a valid diplomatic passport or service passport are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa if they travel to Switzerland on an official mission or for any other travel purpose if their stay in Switzerland does not exceed 3 months.

V11 Holders of a valid diplomatic passport are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa if they travel to Switzerland on an official mission.

## List of travel documents

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| <b>B</b>  | „Business Passport“  |
| <b>ID</b> | Valid national identity card   |
| <b>K</b>  | Consular passport  |
| <b>KL</b> | Collective passport/collective list  |
| <b>P5</b> | Passport expired for less than five years  |
| <b>PA</b> | „Public Affairs Passport“  |
| <b>SB</b> | Seaman’s book  |
| <b>ST</b> | Student passport   |
| <b>1</b>  | 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.  |
| <b>2</b>  | 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”).   |
| <b>3</b>  | Irrespective of their duration of validity, diplomatic passports (red cover) or service passports (black cover) issued before January 1, 2001, are not valid for entry into Switzerland anymore.   |
| <b>4</b>  | 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).  |
| <b>5</b>  | Ordinary Greek passports issued before January 1, 2006, are not valid for entry into Switzerland anymore.  |
| <b>6</b>  | British passports containing under the heading “nationality” one of the following entries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ “British Citizen” (B.C); visa exemption</li><li>▪ “British National (Overseas)” (B.N.O.); visa exemption for stays up to 3 months → V1; obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months</li><li>▪ “British Overseas Territory Citizen” (B.O.T.C.); obligation to hold a visa → V</li><li>▪ “British Overseas Citizen” (B.O.C.); obligation to hold a visa → V</li><li>▪ “British Subject”; obligation to hold a visa → V</li><li>▪ “British Protected Person”; obligation to hold a visa → V</li></ul>  |
| <b>7</b>  | The following documents are valid for entry into Switzerland: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Hong Kong Special Administrative Region People’s Republic of China Passport (HKSAR Passport); visa exemption → V1</li><li>▪ Hong Kong British National Overseas Passport (BNO Passport); visa exemption → V1</li><li>▪ Hong Kong Certificate of Identity; obligation to hold a visa → V</li><li>▪ Document of Identity for visa purposes containing under the heading “nationality” the entry “Chinese.” In this case, the document is a Chinese passport. (If holder’s nationality is not mentioned, the document is not valid for entry into Switzerland.); obligation to hold a visa → V</li><li>▪ (The “Hong Kong British Dependent Territories Citizens Passport” is not valid anymore for entry into Switzerland.)</li></ul> |
| <b>9</b>  | Are also valid for entry into Switzerland:<br>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.   |
| <b>10</b> | Only passports of the Republic of Yemen are valid for entry into Switzerland.  |
| <b>11</b> | Collective list issued by the Ministère canadien de la défense nationale for Canadian children of Canadian military personnel stationed in the Federal Republic of Germany; military ID card for Canadian military personnel on leave, in conjunction with a leave order valid for Switzerland and civilian clothes.   |
| <b>12</b> | Besides the passports issued by Kosovo from July 2008, the following documents will temporarily remain valid for entry into Switzerland: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Passports of Serbia and Montenegro</li><li>- Passports of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia</li></ul>  |

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- 14** 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.
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- 15** The following documents are valid for entry into Switzerland:
- Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Passport (MSAR passport); visa exemption → V1
  - Macao Special Administrative Region People's Republic of China Travel Permit (MSAR Travel Permit) containing under the heading "nationality" the entry "Chinese." Visa requirement → V
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- 16** Laissez-passer for children under 15 years of age, from 7 years of age with photo; Swiss foreign resident's permit with photo.
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- 17** Diplomatic passports issued before January 31, 2002, and official passports issued before April 30, 2002, are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period.
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- 18** Passports of the former Socialist Republic of Yugoslavia (with red cover and wording "SFR JUGOSLAVIJA") are no longer accepted for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period. Diplomatic and official passports with a blue cover and heading Republic of Yugoslavia ( "САВЕЗНА РЕПУБЛИКА ЈУГОСЛАВИЈА" ) are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland, irrespective of their validity period. Ordinary passports with the heading Republic of Yugoslavia remain valid until 31 December 2009 at the latest.  
Note: Until further notice, the valid passport of Serbia and Montenegro still mentions "Yugoslavia."
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- 19** 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.
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- 20** Not to be mistaken with the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is not recognised by Switzerland.
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- 21** State not recognised by Switzerland. However, the documents PASSPORT / TRAVEL DOCUMENT and VIP PASSPORT / TRAVEL DOCUMENT issued by Palestine are accepted for the entry into Switzerland.
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- 22** Birth certificate (Boletim de nascimento) if the holder is a minor.
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- 23** Seaman's book (valid for entry into Switzerland if the document gives evidence that (a) its holder is a citizen of the issuing state and (b) there is proof that the holder of the document is a listed member of the vessel's crew.
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- 24** Passports issued before January 1, 2004, are not valid for entry into Switzerland.
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- 25** Laissez-passer for children under age 15.
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- 26** Children's identity document (blue booklet)
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- 27** In autumn 2004 the Ukrainian authorities have temporarily run out of blank forms for service passports. Therefore, some persons entitled to a Ukrainian service passport were issued an ordinary passport which counts as a service passport and is valid for 5 or 10 years. In such cases the passport contains a stamp on the page reserved for official observations that states both in Ukrainian and in English the remark "Passport issued as service passport of Ukraine" as well as the official function of the holder and the date. Holders of such passports are exempted from the obligation to hold a visa under the same conditions as holders of standard service passports
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- 28** Military ID card (Armed Forces of the United States) with photo, in civilian clothes, or with a permit to wear uniform.
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- 29** 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.
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- 30** 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.
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- 31** Latvian passports issued from July 1, 1992, to June 30, 2002, are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland.
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- 32** „Free Passport“
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- 33** Passaporto del Governatorato
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- 34** The foreign resident's passport (named "travel document" bearing the mention "Permit to re-enter" on cover page 2) is valid for entry into Switzerland; obligation to hold a visa. Not to be confused with the "Re-entry Permit" (white booklet), which is not valid for entry into Switzerland.

- 35** Travel documents for Palestinian refugees issued by Egypt, Lebanon or Syria are valid for entry into Switzerland.
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- 36** 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".

### List of visa requirements

- V** Third state members in possession of both a valid permanent residence permit issued by a Schengen member state (cf. List 3a) and a recognized travel document are exempt from visa requirements.
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- 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 sex industry.  
- gainful occupation of any another kind, if such occupation exceeds 8 days within a calendar year.
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- V2** Holders of a valid diplomatic or service passport are exempt from visa requirements.
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- V3** Holders of a diplomatic or official passport are exempt from visa requirements.
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- V4** Holders of an official passport (diplomatic, service, or special passports) are exempt from visa requirements.
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- V5** Holders of an official passport (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 for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.
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- V6** Holders of a valid diplomatic passport or service passport are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa if they travel to Switzerland on an official mission or for any other travel purpose if their stay in Switzerland does not exceed 3 months.
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- (V6)** Agreement on visa exemption for official passports in planning.
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- V7** Holders of a valid diplomatic passport are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland:  
- on an official mission; or  
- for other travel purposes for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.
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- V8** Holders of a service passport are exempt from visa requirements if they wish to enter into Switzerland:  
- on an official mission; or  
- for other travel purposes for up to 90 days without exercising a gainful occupation.
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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.
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- V10** Turkish pupils attending a German institute of learning on school trips are exempted from the obligation of holding a visa, providing due authorization by the principal.
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- V11** Holders of a valid diplomatic passport are exempt from the obligation to hold a visa if they travel to Switzerland on an official mission.

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\* A passport is recognised if:

- a. the holder's identity arises from the document and its holder is a citizen of the issuing state;
- b. the document is issued by a state which is recognised by Switzerland.

Common passport naming: ordinary passport, official passports (in particular diplomatic passport, service passport, special passport).