COUNTRY: Switzerland

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Restrictions

As of 27 June, Swiss public transport has returned to standard timetables, with the recommendation for passengers to wear face masks at peak times.

On 15 June, borders with EU countries, Iceland, Norway, Lichtenstein and the UK were opened, and the fines imposed on people doing cross-border shopping lifted. Travel between Switzerland and a country that is not part of the Schengen Area is still not allowed.

Provided they can prove their status with official documentation, the following categories are exempted from the provision:

- Swiss citizens.
- Holders of a travel document (e.g. a passport or identity card) and
  - a residence permit, i.e. a Swiss residence permit (L / B / C / Ci permits)
  - a cross-border permit (G permit; only for work-related purposes)
  - an FDFA legitimation card
  - a D visa issued by Switzerland
  - a C visa issued by Switzerland after 16 March 2020 in a valid exceptional case
  - a C visa issued by Switzerland in order to work on a short-term contract
  - an assurance of a residence permit from a cantonal migration authority or an entry permit with a visa issued by Switzerland (an employment contract is not sufficient to cross the Swiss border. Persons with an assurance of a residence permit may enter Switzerland at the earliest three days before the date on which assurance becomes valid).
  - Holders of a refugee’s travel document issued by Switzerland and a valid residence or permanent residence permit or a valid F permit.
  - Individuals who have rights of free movement.
- People transiting through Switzerland to another country that they can enter.
- People in a situation of special necessity. The border control authority will assess the necessity of such situation.
- Specialists in the healthcare sector who need to enter Switzerland for important work-related reasons and who hold a confirmation of notification, an assurance of a residence permit or an entry permit with a visa issued by Switzerland.

As of 15 June, all border crossing points are open; both private and commercial transport is allowed. Goods drivers are allowed to operate to, from and through Switzerland if they have a bill of lading.

More information can be found [here](#).

**SOURCE:** Swiss government