INSTRUCTIONS FOR FOREIGNERS STAYING IN VALAIS

GENERAL INFORMATION

This information is subject to change as the procedures regarding the control of public health measures and the issue of COVID certificates for foreigners change. Please always check the validity of these instructions by consulting the updated document on www.vs.ch/covid-19, Voyages et retours tab.

This document is intended for all foreigners planning to stay in Valais.

PUBLIC HEALTH MEASURES

Entry form

All persons entering the territory of Switzerland must complete the entry form found on the website swissplf.admin.ch. Please complete the form before your journey but no earlier than 48 hours before entering Switzerland. Children or teenagers of any age can be declared on the form of an adult traveling with them.

Verification is carried out at the border via a QR-code sent to you by e-mail after having completed the form.

Test requirement

People (from the age of 16) who enter Switzerland will be asked to show a negative test result at various times. This test obligation also applies to vaccinated or recovered persons, regardless of what country they enter from.

Test on boarding

If you enter in Switzerland by air or bus, you must be able to show the negative result of a recent PCR test (less than 72h) or a rapid antigen test (less than 24h) when boarding. For people entering Switzerland from a country with a variant of concern, the test requirement on boarding already applies to those aged 6 and over.

Test upon entry to Switzerland

On entering Switzerland, you must be able to show the negative result of a PCR test (less than 72 hours before departure) or a rapid antigen test (less than 24 hours before departure).

Second test after entering in Switzerland

Within 4 to 7 days after your arrival, if you are not vaccinated or recovered, you must perform a new PCR or antigen test in Switzerland. The test result and the number of the entry form must be notified by email to entry.covid19@psvalais.ch. The authorities can make random checks.
COVID CERTIFICATE

As of 13 September 2021, the presentation of a valid COVID certificate is compulsory in Switzerland for all persons over 16 years of age who wish to access restaurants, bars, nightclub, cultural venues, sport and leisure facilities as well as indoor events.

If you are a holder of an **EU digital COVID certificate** or a compatible certificate ([see list](#)), you don’t need to apply for a Swiss COVID certificate. **Your certificate is recognized in Switzerland.**

**Non-Swiss nationals (outside the EU) with a Swiss domicile**

If you have recovered from COVID-19 (evidence: PCR test or rapid antigen test) or you are fully vaccinated abroad (outside the EU) with one of the following vaccines:
- Comirnaty (Pfizer/BioNTech)
- Spikevax (Moderna)
- COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)
- Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca)

you can apply for a Swiss COVID certificate by completing the on-line form and by attaching supporting documents on [https://certificat-vs.ch](https://certificat-vs.ch).

If you are fully vaccinated abroad (outside the EU) with SARS CoV2 Vaccine (Vero Cell) (Sinopharm / BIBP), CoronaVac (Sinovac) or COVAXIN®, you must personally submit your application to [certificat-vs@psvalais.ch](mailto:certificat-vs@psvalais.ch) and make an appointment so that the data can be verified on-site.

**Non-Swiss nationals (outside the EU) visiting Switzerland without having a Swiss domicile**

If you have recovered from COVID-19 (evidence: PCR test or rapid antigen test) or you are fully vaccinated abroad (outside the EU) with one of the following vaccines:
- Comirnaty (Pfizer/BioNTech)
- Spikevax (Moderna)
- COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)
- Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca)

you can apply for a Swiss COVID certificate by completing the on-line form and by attaching supporting documents on [https://covidcertificate-form.admin.ch](https://covidcertificate-form.admin.ch). A fee of CHF 30.00 will be charged for the processing of the request.

As of November 30, 2021, if you are fully vaccinated abroad (outside the EU) with SARS CoV2 Vaccine (Vero Cell) (Sinopharm / BIBP), CoronaVac (Sinovac) or COVAXIN®, you can apply for a COVID certificate **valid for 30 days** at [https://covidcertificate-form.admin.ch](https://covidcertificate-form.admin.ch). A fee of CHF 30.00 will be charged for the processing of the request.

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Please apply for your COVID certificate at least **10 days before you enter Switzerland**. Your COVID certificate will be delivered to you in digital format via the COVID Certificate mobile application (registration of a telephone number is not necessary). You can also request that it be sent in paper format to your place of stay.