



Thanks to the free movement of people in the EU and EFTA, you may enter Switzerland and live and work here. To do so, you will need a valid contract of employment.

Employment relationship from three months to one year

Workers are entitled to a short-term residence permit (L EU/EFTA), which is limited to the duration of the contract on the employment certificate.

Employment relationship from one to five years

On presenting an employment certificate that indicates the relevant duration, workers will receive a B EU/EFTA residence permit valid for five years.

Self-employment

EU/EFTA citizens entering Switzerland to work as self-employed persons will initially receive a B EU/EFTA residence permit for a period of five years, provided they can prove that they are actually working as self-employed persons at the time of submitting their application.



Emigration to Switzerland (stays of more than 3 months).



Within a period of 14 days of arrival, and before taking up your position, you must obtain a residence permit from the municipal residents' service of the town in question.
Take the following with you: your identity document, written declaration of employment by the employer



- House search (residence permit)
- Copy of employment contract
- Contact details/reference from last lessor
- ▶ Fill out application form and return/deliver it as soon as possible

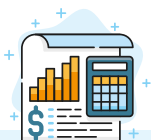


Mandatory basic insurance receipt (can be submitted up to 3 months after entry date)



- Employment for fewer than 8 hours a week = medical insurance includes accident insurance
- Employment for more than 8 hours a week = the employer takes out accident insurance for you

Taxes: the employer deducts taxes directly from the wages of workers with a B residence permit and transfers them to the tax authorities.



Professional pension plan (BVG). Everybody who has retirement insurance must contribute. This money will be paid out to you at the end of your working life in Switzerland, or when you retire.



Retirement insurance (AHV) is mandatory in Switzerland and is deducted directly from your salary.



Take out home insurance and civil liability insurance. These insurance policies cover any damage to your home or any damage you cause to third parties.



Sign the lease contract. In Switzerland, a deposit equal to one to three months' rent must be paid into an account. This money will be returned to you upon leaving the house.

