



How to Fill in the Online Form for Exemption

Exemption from compulsory health insurance is possible under certain conditions and only upon application. The social insurance company SVA Zurich decides on applications for exemption. The sample screenshots provided below will guide you through the process depending on what sort of exemption you are applying for. Depending on your type of insurance, some steps will vary while filling in the form.

Before you fill in the online form, make sure you have done/fulfilled the following points:

- You have registered at the *Personenmeldeamt* (local residents' registration office).
- You have received a letter regarding health insurance in Switzerland.
- You have a:
 - a. European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)
 - b. Swiss health insurance for international students
 - c. Private health insurance (EU or non-EU)

Please click the link to get started:

<https://www.eadminportal.ch/svazh/ekvg/ekvg/form/#/wizard>

You can change the language into English in the top right corner.

Step 1: Read and accept User Agreements and Privacy Policy (same for all applicants)

Notes

Compulsory health insurance in Switzerland

Anyone who lives or works in Switzerland must take out basic insurance in accordance with the Swiss Health Insurance Act (HIA). Persons residing abroad who hold a residence permit for at least three months are also obligated to take out insurance. This includes cross-border commuters as well.

Who is eligible for an exemption from compulsory health insurance?

An exemption from compulsory health insurance is only possible for a few groups of people upon request, and exemptions are granted only sparingly. The Social Insurance Agency [Sozialversicherungsanstalt] (SVA) decides on applications for exemption. More detailed information can be found on the website of SVA Zürich.

A detailed overview of who may be exempted from compulsory health insurance can be found on the website of the SVA Zürich at www.svazurich.ch/kvg-befreiung.

Provide supporting documents in advance

To process your application, we need certain documents. You can upload them in the form. The Overview page lists all the documents that must be submitted. The form cannot be stored temporarily.

- I accept the [User Agreements](#) and [Privacy Policy](#)
- I have not received a rejection notice within the last 30 days. If you have received a rejection notice within the last 30 days, please contact the [SVA Zürich](http://www.svazurich.ch) directly with any questions.

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Step 2: Personal details (same for all applicants)

Personal data

Please enter your personal information.

Fill in your personal details

Mr.

Ms.

First Name *

Exemption

Date of birth *

01.01.2001

Nationality *

Afghanistan

Comment to the residence permit *

Ongoing Registration Procedure

Last Name *

Example

Marital status

single

Residence permit *

other

Indicate the type of residence permit you have. If you have not yet received your residence permit, chose "other" and comment "Ongoing Registration Procedure".

AHV Nummer (if available)

Leave this field blank

Area code
+41 Schweiz

Phone number
79777777

E-Mail *
exemption.example@gmail.com

Residence

Street, no. *

Rämistrasse 71

Address addition

Postal code *

8006

Municipality *

Zürich

Country *

Switzerland

Do you have children?

Yes

No

Employment details

Please indicate how you are employed.

employed

not employed

Step 3: Specifying your insurance policy

Important: Depending on what kind of insurance you have, please follow one of the options below and fill in the form exactly as depicted.

a. European Health Insurance Card

Health insurance details

Please indicate how you are insured.

Name of health insurance
European Health Insurance

European Health Insurance Card

- Statutory insurance
- Private insurance
- Other

Select “statutory”

Statutory: Foreign state health insurance.

Private insurance: Foreign private and/or international health insurance.

Other: For example, health insurance specifically for students from abroad; Swiss health insurance.

Inclusion in a family insurance policy or co-insured free of charge.

Leave this field blank if it does not apply to you

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b. Swiss health insurance for international students

Health insurance details

Please indicate how you are insured.

Name of health insurance
Swisscare

Insert your Swiss insurance’s name

- Statutory insurance
- Private insurance
- Other

Select “other”

Statutory: Foreign state health insurance.

Private insurance: Foreign private and/or international health insurance.

Other: For example, health insurance specifically for students from abroad; Swiss health insurance.

Inclusion in a family insurance policy or co-insured free of charge.

Leave this field blank if it does not apply to you

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c. Private health insurance

Health insurance details

Please indicate how you are insured.

Name of health insurance
Name of your private insurance company

Name of your private insurance company

- Statutory insurance
- Private insurance
- Other

Select “private”

Statutory: Foreign state health insurance.

Private insurance: Foreign private and/or international health insurance.

Other: For example, health insurance specifically for students from abroad; Swiss health insurance.

Inclusion in a family insurance policy or co-insured free of charge.

Leave this field blank if it does not apply to you

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Step 4: Information on your education status (same for all applicants)

Education and training

Please indicate whether you are doing an educational or training programme in Switzerland. It is also important whether you are also gainfully employed at the same time. Gainful employment means any work for which you receive a salary or wages.

Education and training *

In an educational programme in Switzerland without gainful employment and my permanent residence is located outside Switzerland

Country of permanent residence *

Select your country of permanent residence

Select “In an educational programme in Switzerland without gainful employment and my permanent residence is located outside Switzerland”

Residence and employment

What is the reason for your stay in Switzerland? Select the appropriate option from the list and indicate whether you are gainfully employed.

Residence and employment *

Resident in Switzerland, but not employed

Select “Resident in Switzerland, but not employed”

Note regarding posted employees As a posted employee, you work in Switzerland and are exempt from the obligation to pay contributions to the Swiss Old Age, Survivors' and Disability Insurance (OASI/DI).

Support benefits

Do you receive state benefits such as an unemployment benefit or a pension? If so, please indicate all the countries from which you receive benefits.

- Unemployment benefit
- Pension
- None

Select “None”

Leave blank

Additional questions concerning compulsory insurance and gainful employment

Now we just need the latest information on your insurance situation and your employment. Please select all that apply.

- Private insurance abroad, insurance in Switzerland to the same extent not possible due to age (older than 55) or state of health
- State insurance in country of origin, not resident in an EU/EFTA state, no agreement on compulsory insurance with Switzerland (see list FOPH)
- Private insurance abroad and EU/EFTA residence permit, not gainfully employed in Switzerland / no permit for gainful employment
- Resident in Switzerland, civil servant in an EU/EFTA state
- Employed in a company that has privileges, immunities and facilities (institutional beneficiaries according to the list of the FOPH)
- No longer employed in a company that has privileges, immunities as well as facilities (institutional beneficiaries according to the FOPH list)
- Person who is insured by a person with privileges under international law and who does not himself enjoy privileges or immunities

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Step 5: Required documents (“enclosures”)

These vary depending on your specified type of health insurance as indicated in step 2.

a. European Health Insurance Card

File format

Image files (jpg, jpeg or png) and PDF documents may be submitted. Please make sure the total size of the documents submitted does not exceed 20MB.

Copy of residence permit (front and back page)

if applicable



Drag file to upload and drop here or choose file

If you have your residency permit,
upload it here. If you are still in the
process, leave empty.

Copy of European health insurance card



Drag file to upload and drop here or choose file

Proof of education

Please upload all documents that confirm your education or training in Switzerland (e.g. confirmation of matriculation, PhD agreement, internship or au pair contract, etc.).



Drag file to upload and drop here or choose file

Copy of validated UZH Card or
“Studienbescheinigung” (proof
of enrolment)

Comment on the request

If you have anything else to add to your application, please describe it here.

Enter comment

Your data will be transmitted to SVA Zürich for further processing.

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b. Swiss health insurance for international students

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Copy of validated UZH Card or
“Studienbescheinigung”
(proof of enrolment)

Insurance policy/certificate

Please upload your current insurance policy/certificate (front and back).



Drag file to upload and drop here [or choose file](#)

Comment on the insurance policy/certificate

Comment on the request

If you have anything else to add to your application, please describe it here.

Enter comment

Your data will be transmitted to SVA Zürich for further processing.

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c. Private Health Insurance

Copy of residence permit (front and back page)
if applicable

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If you have your residency permit, upload it here. If you are still in the process, leave empty.

Proof of education

Please upload all documents that confirm your education or training in Switzerland (e.g. confirmation of matriculation, PhD agreement, internship or au pair contract, etc.).

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(proof of enrolment)

Confirmation Form A

signed and stamped by the insurer. Not necessary for student insurance.

Drag file to upload and drop here or choose file

Link to Form A:
https://svazurich.ch/content/dam/sva-dokumente/4000_ipv/4100_kvg/4100_vl3_kvg_english_bestaetigung_des_auslaendischen_ver_sicherers_form_a.pdf

Insurance policy/certificate

Please upload your current insurance policy/certificate (front and back).

Drag file to upload and drop here or choose file

Comment on the insurance policy/certificate

Comment on the request

If you have anything else to add to your application, please describe it here.

Enter comment

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Step 6: Submitting the application

As soon as you have sent your application for exemption, forward the e-mail with the confirmation of receipt from SVA Zurich to the *Personenmeldeamt* at bva-kv@zuerich.ch (only if you reside in the city of Zurich). This way, the *Personenmeldeamt* will know that you are currently in the process of applying for an exemption.

If you have not received the confirmation e-mail from SVA immediately upon submission of your exemption request, check your spam folder. Make sure that the exemption request has been sent properly. Check your e-mails regularly, as SVA Zurich may contact you if they have questions or need additional documents to evaluate your case.

Several weeks or even months after submitting your application for exemption, SVA Zurich will inform you about their decision on your application by email. In this e-mail, there will be a link to download the decision letter in PDF. Download and save the document on your computer immediately, as the link may expire. Please note that it is not possible to predict how the authorities will decide.