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 example screen shots 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:
  - European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)
  - Swiss health insurance for international students
  - 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/ekvg-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 directly with any questions.
### Step 2: Personal details (same for all applicants)

**Personal data**

Please enter your personal information.

- **Mr.**
- **Ms.**

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<th>Last Name *</th>
<th>Exemption</th>
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- **Date of birth**:
  - 01.01.2001

- **Nationality**:
  - Afghanistan

- **Residence permit***:
  - other

- **Comment to the residence permit***:
  - Ongoing Registration Procedure

- **AHV Nummer (if available)**:
  - Area code: +41 Schweiz
  - Phone number: 79777777
  - E-mail: exemption.example@gmail.com

### Residence

- **Street no.***:
  - Rämistrasse 71

- **Postal code***:
  - 8006

- **Municipality***:
  - Zürich

- **Country***:
  - Switzerland

### Do you have children?

- **Yes**
- **No**

### Employment details

Please indicate how you are employed.

- **employed**
- **not employed**

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**Fill in your personal details**

**Leave this field blank**

**Indicate the type of residence permit you have. If you have not yet received your residence permit, choose “other” and comment “Ongoing Registration Procedure.”**
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.

- European Health Insurance Card

- Statutory insurance
  - Select "statutory"

- Private insurance

- Other

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

- Leave this field blank if it does not apply to you

b. Swiss health insurance for international students

Health insurance details
Please indicate how you are insured.

- European Health Insurance Card
  - Insert your Swiss insurance’s name

- Statutory insurance
  - Select "other"

- Private insurance

- Other

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

- Leave this field blank if it does not apply to you

c. Private health insurance

Health insurance details
Please indicate how you are insured.

- Name of your private insurance company

- Statutory insurance

- Private insurance

- Other

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

- Leave this field blank if it does not apply to you
**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.

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<th>Education and training</th>
<th>Select your country of permanent residence</th>
<th>Select “In an educational programme in Switzerland without gainful employment and my permanent residence is located outside Switzerland”</th>
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**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.

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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 (OA/IV).

**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”

**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

Leave blank
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

Copy of validated UZH Card or "Studienbescheinigung" (proof of enrolment)

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

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.

Submit
b. Swiss health insurance for international students

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

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.
c. Private Health Insurance
Copy of residence permit (front and back page)
if applicable

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Link to Form A:
https://svazurich.ch/content/dam/sva-dokumente/4000_ipv/4100_kvg/4100_vl3_kvg_english_bestaetigung_des_auslaendischen_versicherers_form_a.pdf

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

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

Drag file to upload and drop here or choose file

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

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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-kw@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.

Some weeks after submitting your application, the Department of Health will inform you about their decision on your application by email. Please note that it is not possible to predict how the authorities will decide.