



**List 1 A: Overview of ID and visa provisions according to nationality (EU / EFTA States)**  
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Nationals of states, who are generally exempt from the visa requirement, are given below.

Country	National passports and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	
Austria (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
Belgium (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
	SB	Seaman's book  French or Luxembourg identity cards for foreign nationals (these ID cards must prove that the holder has Belgian citizenship); children's ID for under 15-year olds, for children less than 12 years old travelling accompanied by their parents (also valid without photo); temporary Belgian identity card.
Bulgaria (future Schengen member)	ID	Valid national identity card
	SB	Seaman's book
Cyprus (future Schengen member)	ID	Valid national identity card
		Not to be mistaken with the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is not recognised by Switzerland.
Czech Republic (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Denmark (Schengen)		
Estonia (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
		The Alien's Passport issued by Estonia is valid for entry into Switzerland without a residence permit and without a visa for stays of up to 3 months → V1; obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months.
Finland (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
		The finish identity card for minors (Minor's identity card) (violet) and the identity card for foreigners (Identity card) (brown) are not accepted for entry into Switzerland. On the backside of these documents is mentioned explicitly, that these documents are not valid for travelling („Not valid as a travel document“).
France (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
		Temporary identity cards; child's laissez-passer for children under 15 years of age (children under 7 also without photo); Swiss foreign resident's permit with photo; Belgian or Luxembourg identity cards for resident foreigners (these identity cards must prove that the holder has French citizenship).
Germany (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
	SB	Seaman's book
		National passport expired for less than one year; valid child's passport or child's identity card (or expired for less than one year); national identity card ("Personalausweis") which is valid or expired for less than one year; valid temporary identity card ("Personalausweis").

Country	National passports* and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	
Great Britain (UK)	SB	Seaman's book
	KL	Collective passport/collective list
		<p>British passports containing under the heading "nationality" one of the following entries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ "British Citizen" (B.C); visa exemption</li> <li>▪ "British National (Overseas)" (B.N.O.); visa exemption for stays up to 3 months → V1; obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months</li> <li>▪ "British Overseas Territory Citizen" (B.O.T.C.), who do not have the right of abode in the United Kingdom; obligation to hold a visa → V</li> <li>▪ "British Overseas Citizen" (B.O.C.); obligation to hold a visa → V</li> <li>▪ "British Subject", who do not have the right of abode in the United Kingdom; obligation to hold a visa → V</li> <li>• "British Protected Person"; obligation to hold a visa → V</li> </ul>
		British Identity Cards containing under the heading "nationality" the entry "British Citizen" (B.C.) are not valid for entry into Switzerland anymore.
Greece (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
	SB	Seaman's book
		<p>Ordinary Greek passports issued before January 1, 2006, are not valid for entry into Switzerland anymore.</p> <p>Identity card for Hellenic police personnel</p>
Hungary (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Ireland	ID	Valid national identity card
Island (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Italy (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
	SB	<p>Seaman's book</p> <p>Are also valid for entry into Switzerland: For children under age 15: birth certificate authenticated by the police or identity card with a photo of the holder; personal identity card for state officials and their family members. Italian paper identity cards (ID cards) carrying the appropriate official stamp that extends the validity of the ID cards. Italian ID cards in credit card format with a separate confirmation of extension are not recognized as valid travel documents.</p>
Latvia (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
		The Alien's Passport issued by Latvia (Latvijas Republika) is valid for entry into Switzerland without a residence permit and without a visa for stays of up to 3 months → V1; obligation to hold a visa for stays of more than 3 months.
		Latvian passports issued from July 1, 1992, to June 30, 2002, are no longer valid for entry into Switzerland.

Country	National passports* and other travel documents authorizing entry into Switzerland	
Liechtenstein (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
Lithuania (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Luxembourg (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	SB	Seaman's book
	ID	Valid national identity card
		Belgian or French identity card for resident foreigners (these ID cards must prove that the holder has Luxembourg citizenship); identity card and children's travel document for children under age 15.
Malta (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Monaco (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
		Laissez-passer for children under 15 years of age, from 7 years of age with photo; Swiss foreign resident's permit with photo.
		The travel document for refugees issued in accordance with the London Agreement of 15 October 1946 or the Geneva Convention of 28 July 1951 is valid for entry if the document gives evidence that its valid for Switzerland; obligation to hold a visa → V.
Netherlands (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
	SB	Seaman's book
		Are also valid for entry into Switzerland: European identity card (ID); Laissez-passer, Belgian or Luxembourg ID card for foreigners which gives evidence of the holder's Dutch nationality.
Norway (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Poland (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Portugal (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
		Birth certificate (Boletim de nascimento) if the holder is a minor.
Romania (future Schengen member)	ID	Valid national identity card
		The travel document „Titlu de calatorie“ in the form of a loose-leaf is accepted for entry into Switzerland.
Slovakia (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
		The Slovak ID card issued to citizens older than 60 years is valid for an unlimited period of time. It contains a dash under the heading “Date of expiry”.
Slovenia (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card
Spain (Schengen)	P5	Passport expired for less than five years
	ID	Valid national identity card
Sweden (Schengen)	ID	Valid national identity card