



Form F	<p>Application for an exemption from compulsory health insurance in Switzerland</p> <p>Art. 2 para. 8 Health Insurance Ordinance (HIO)</p>
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Please read our factsheets about compulsory health insurance in Switzerland carefully before completing this form.

A	Applicant
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Surname _____ First name _____ Date of birth _____

Address in Switzerland (Street, postcode, city) _____

Telephone number _____ E-mail _____ @ _____

Nationality _____ Marital status _____ Sex f m

Residence permit B C G L other _____ → Enclose copy

1. Why am I applying for an exemption?

- Being subject to compulsory Swiss insurance will mean a reduction in my current insurance cover
- As I am unable to obtain supplementary insurance in Switzerland that is equivalent to my current cover, I wish to retain my current private health insurance
- Other reason: _____

2. I wish to apply for an exemption for the following period

from (DD.MM.YYYY) _____ to (DD.MM.YYYY) _____

If the **start of exempt period** and **date of entry** in Switzerland are not **identical**, please explain:

3. Health insurance

I confirm:

- I am currently privately insured abroad
- In comparison with Swiss compulsory basic insurance, I clearly have more comprehensive insurance cover with my current insurers

Please tick the relevant box:

- I am unable to obtain supplementary insurance in Switzerland due to the **state of my health**
I suffer from the following illness/condition: _____

→ Copy of confirmation of the illness/condition from the physician treating the case

→ Enclose copy of the letter from a Swiss health insurance company confirming that you are unable to obtain supplementary insurance under the Insurance Contracts Act or due to an already existing condition may only do so subject to conditions

I am over 55 years of age and **due to my age**, I am unable to obtain supplementary insurance in Switzerland

4. Remarks

5. Undertaking and signature

I, the applicant, hereby confirm, that I have answered all the questions fully and truthfully.

I hereby undertake to notify the Social Insurance Office and Foundations Supervisory Board of the termination of the insurance contract and of any reduction in insurance cover.

Place, date

Signature of Applicant

B	Health insurance (confirmation of insurance cover)
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The undersigned insurer confirms (on page 3):

The applicant is privately insured with the undersigned insurer from (TT.MM.JJJJ) _____ to (TT.MM.JJJJ) _____

The applicant is entitled during his/her stay in Switzerland to the full reimbursement of the healthcare costs of services under Articles 25 to 31 of the Federal Act on Health Insurance.

The unreserved and unlimited acceptance of costs under Articles 25 to 31 of the Federal Act on Health Insurance must be confirmed by signing this form (on page 3). A covering letter referring to the German legislation on social insurance or any other conditions of insurance is not sufficient.

Federal Act on Health Insurance

Status as of 01.01.2015

Art. 25 General benefits in the event of illness

¹ Compulsory health insurance covers the costs of diagnosing and treating an illness and its consequences.

² General benefits cover:

- a. examinations and treatments received as an out-patient, as an in-patient or in a nursing home, as well as the nursing services provided in a hospital by:
 1. doctors,
 2. chiropractors,
 3. persons providing services prescribed or ordered by a doctor or a chiropractor;
- b. analyses, medicines, and equipment for examinations or treatment prescribed by doctors and, subject to the requirements determined by the Federal Council, by chiropractors;
- c. a contribution to the costs of spa treatments prescribed by a doctor;
- d. medical rehabilitation measures carried out or prescribed by a doctor;
- e. a stay in the general ward of a hospital;
- f. ...
- f^{bis} a stay in a birth centre for the purpose of childbirth (Art. 29);
- g. a contribution towards medically required transport costs and the costs of rescue;
- h. the services of pharmacists in dispensing the medicine prescribed in accordance with letter b.

Art. 25a Nursing services in the event of illness

¹ Under compulsory healthcare insurance, a contribution is made to nursing services that are provided on the instructions of a doctor as an out-patient and where there is a clear need for nursing care on an outpatient basis, in day or night structures, or in a nursing home.

² Acute and transitional care services that prove necessary following discharge from hospital and which are prescribed by a doctor in hospital are paid for by the compulsory healthcare insurance and by the insured's canton of residence for a maximum period of two weeks in accordance with the hospital funding regulations (Art. 49a Payment for in-patient services). Insurers and service providers shall agree on flat rate fees.

³ The Federal Council shall designate the nursing services and regulate the procedure for ascertaining the need.

⁴ The Federal Council shall specify the contributions in francs and differentiate them based on the level of care required. The decisive factor is the cost according to the need for care of nursing services provided with the required quality and efficiency at a reasonable cost. Nursing services shall be subject to quality control. The Federal Council shall specify the procedures.

⁵ *In relation to nursing costs not covered by social insurances, a maximum of 20 per cent of the maximum care contribution fixed by the Federal Council may be passed on to the insured. The cantons shall regulate the payment of the remainder of the costs.*

Art. 26 Prophylactic medicine

Compulsory healthcare insurance covers the costs of certain examinations aimed at the early detection of disease and the costs of prophylactic measures for the benefit of insured persons who are especially at risk. The examinations or prophylactic measures must be carried out or prescribed by a doctor.

Art. 27 Congenital defects

In the case of congenital defects that are not covered by invalidity insurance, compulsory healthcare insurance covers the costs of the same services as in the case of illness.

Art. 28 Accidents

In the case of accidents in terms of Article 1 paragraph 2 letter b, compulsory healthcare insurance covers the costs of the same services as in the case of illness.

Art. 29 Maternity

¹ In addition to the costs of the same services as in the case of illness, compulsory healthcare insurance covers the costs of the services specifically required in maternity cases.

² These services include:

- a. the check-ups carried out by doctors or midwives or prescribed by doctors during and after pregnancy;
- b. delivery at home, in a hospital or a birth centre as well as obstetrics services provided by doctors or midwives;
- c. the required advice on breast-feeding;
- d. the care and stay of a healthy new-born child for as long as it stays with its mother in hospital.

Art. 30 Lawful termination of pregnancy

In the case of a lawful termination of pregnancy in accordance with Article 119 of the Swiss Criminal Code, compulsory healthcare insurance covers the costs of same services as in the case of illness.

Art. 31 Dental treatment

¹ Compulsory healthcare insurance covers the costs of dental treatment where:

- a. it is caused by a serious and unavoidable disease of the masticatory system; or
- b. it is caused by any other serious illness or its after-effects; or
- c. it is required in order to treat a serious illness or its after-effects.

² It also covers the costs of the treatment of injuries to the masticatory systems caused by an accident in terms of Article 1 paragraph 2 letter b (accident not covered by accident insurance).



The applicant has additional insurance cover that clearly exceeds the insurance cover or costs covered by Swiss compulsory basic insurance (Articles 25 to 31 Health Insurance Act).

Please tick the appropriate boxes:

- World or Europe-wide insurance cover
- Accommodation in a single/two-bed room
- Free choice of physician
- Other: _____

- Free choice of hospital (public/private)
- 100% cost reimbursement
- Treatment by senior consultant

Place, date

Stamp and signature of the health insurance scheme

Full address of the health insurance scheme (if not clear from stamp)

 **Remember to enclose the required documents with this form. Many thanks**