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Regional Consular Center Nordic and Baltic
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Leaflet for Swiss citizens in Latvia

Welcome in the consular area of the Regional Consular Center Nordic and Baltic Countries in Stockholm!

This information leaflet informs you about country **specific details for Swiss living in Latvia**. Information valid for all Swiss abroad can be found on the information leaflet for newly arrived citizens "Welcome" of the Consular Directorate FDFA:

<https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/latvia/en/home/services/registration-change-address/documents-and-links.html>

Exchange of the Swiss driving license:

The Swiss driving license can be exchanged if residing more than 185 days within a year or more than 1 year in Latvia. For further and reliable information on this subject, please contact the Road Traffic Safety Directorate (CSDD, phone + 371 670 257 77) directly:

<https://www.csdd.lv/en/exchange-of-driver-s-license/exchange-of-a-license-issued-abroad>

Additional information you may find here:

<https://www.csdd.lv/en/obtaining-a-driving-licence/age-at-which-driving-licences-categories-a-a1-a2-and-b-can-be-obtained>

In case the Latvian authorities require a certificate of validity of the driving licence, this must be requested from the cantonal [road traffic office](#) that issued the licence.

Swiss Clubs:

- Swiss Club Baltikum, <http://www.schweizerverein-baltikum.eu/>

Migration office:

Swiss nationals who reside in the Republic of Latvia for more than 90 days within half a year need to apply for a residence permit. For detailed and reliable information on this subject, please contact the Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (OCMA): phone +371 67209400, email pmlp@pmlp.gov.lv, <https://www.pmlp.gov.lv/en/home/contacts/> .

Ordering civil status documents:

Dzimisarakstu departaments, Tieslietu ministrija (Ministry of Justice), phone +371 670 367 20, <https://www.tm.gov.lv/lv/pakalpojumi/ministrijas-pakalpojumi-1/atkartotu-civilstavokla-aktu-registracijas-apliecinosu-dokumentu-izsniegšana> and Office of Citizenship and Migration Affairs (OCMA) <http://www.pmlp.gov.lv/en/> .

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Requests for old age/disability pensions:

For pension requests, please refer directly to the competent Valsts sociālās apdrošināšana (State Social Insurance Agency) in Latvia www.vsaa.lv or to the Swiss Compensation Office, Geneva, phone : +41(0)58 461 91 11, www.zas.admin.ch.

Life and civil status certificate: changes as per 2022

As of 2022, a new life verification process came into effect thanks to the implementation of automated exchanges with various partner administrations of the Central Compensation Office. The insured persons concerned by these exchanges will no longer receive the « Life status » form to be certified.

See link with detailed information:

<https://www.zas.admin.ch/zas/en/home/particuliers/obligation-d-informer-pour-les-rentiers/controle-de-l-existence-en-vie-.html>

Double taxation agreement (DTA)

Information: <https://www.eda.admin.ch/countries/latvia/en/home/switzerland-and/export-promotion.html>

If you have any questions, please contact the Federal Tax Administration directly:

<https://www.estv.admin.ch/estv/en/home/fta/contact-forms/contact-anticipatory-tax.html>

In complex cases, it is recommended to consult a private legal advisor (lawyer, notary, etc.).

More useful information can be found on www.swissabroad.ch and on the homepage of the RCC www.eda.admin.ch/nordischestaaten.

For emergencies regarding consular questions after working hours, during weekends or official holidays, please contact the Helpline FDFA in Berne: +41 800 24 7 365 or helpline@eda.admin.ch.