



Information on obtaining a Swiss Residence Permit

All students
who are not the holder of a European passport
and who plan to stay in Switzerland for more than 3 months
need a student visa for entry into Switzerland

The procedure for requesting a visa is quite long and may take up to 10 weeks. We therefore need to begin the visa procedure as soon as your daughter has been registered at Surval.

Documents to be sent to Surval to start the visa procedure:

- copy of passport (must be valid for 6 months after the planned stay in Switzerland)
- Swiss visa form (will be forwarded by e-mail by Surval but can also be found on our website)
- payment of the deposit and application fee (5'000.- + 1'000.- / total CHF 6'000.-)
- 4 passport size photos: format: 35 x 45mm

Documents which you must provide to the Swiss Embassy or Consulate:

- 4 passport size photos: format: 35 x 45mm
- copy of passport (must be valid for 6 months after the planned stay in Switzerland)
- visa file sent to you from Surval
- invitation letter from Surval

Please note that you will not be able to enter Switzerland unless you have a visa in your passport!
These are the new regulations from the Swiss Authorities; valid from January 2011.

Arrival at Surval

As soon as your daughter arrives in Switzerland, Surval (in collaboration with the Swiss Authorities) will obtain her Swiss residency permit allowing her to travel within the Schengen area during her stay at Surval. It can take up to 8 weeks after her arrival to Surval before she will obtain her Swiss residency permit.

After January 2011, all students will receive a biometric permit.

For more information

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