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## Traveling between Israel and Switzerland during Corona

We were asked so many times about rulings to travel from and to Switzerland to Israel. Following a summary of rulings. Please be aware, the document is very temporary and might change at any time and day. We got the information from travellers and health departments. Please inform us of any change when you travel, so we can keep everybody up to date.

Please watch in the header of this document, when the last update was done.

### Flying from Israel to Switzerland

You will need to do a PCR test in Israel and show that test result when entering Switzerland. The test has to be less than 72 hours old when entering Switzerland.

For Israeli health insured people, a PCR test can be done with your health fund. All other people have to pay for a test. Swiss Airline customers get a test for reduced price. See following link.

<https://www.swiss.com/il/en/local-pages/covid-19-test-cooperation>

Currently people entering from Israel coming into Switzerland do not need to go into quarantine. But just in case check latest BAG advice from Switzerland.

<https://www.bag.admin.ch/bag/en/home/krankheiten/ausbrueche-epidemien-pandemien/aktuelle-ausbrueche-epidemien/novel-cov/empfehlungen-fuer-reisende/liste.html>

### Flying from Switzerland to Israel

You need to make a PCR test in Switzerland. The test has to be less than 72 hours old and the test has to be done, without showing any symptoms of covid. For all travellers, the test is not covered by Swiss health funds. Following few links with prices where you can be tested for such.

<https://www.swiss.com/ch/en/customer-support/travel-and-corona/corona-testcenter> ( SFR 195.00 )

<https://www.stadt-zuerich.ch/triemli/en/index/service/corona-testcenter.html> ( SFR 137.00 )

<https://www.myswitzerland.com/en-il/planning/about-switzerland/covid-pcr-test/> (Basel SFR 110.00 )

<https://coronazentrum.uzh.ch/en/testing/> (SFR 171.00 )

If you know any cheaper prices, please let us know.

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## Entry to Israel with a Israeli green vaccine passport

Beside showing the Israeli green vaccine passport, you need to make a PCR test when leaving the airport. The test office is before the custom office on the left side. The test is for free. You will get a password and can see the result on the Internet after 24 hours.

Please also be aware, if you want to use a train, beside the ticket you also need a booking for the train. Please download the app for such in advance or book it on the Internet. You cannot enter the train without such a booking. The booking is free of charge. Each traveller should get a private 4 people department in the train, however that is not a fixed seat booking. But you can ask people not to sit in your department.

<https://www.rail.co.il/en/pages/voucher-info.aspx>

## Entry Israel with a Swiss Impf-Karte (or EU vaccination card)

Currently the foreign vaccination card is not yet accepted. In the Jerusalem Post they announced, that from May 23 the foreign vaccination cards might be accepted. See following article below. We will inform you about procedures and changes ASAP.

Currently you have to follow the instruction of the 'Entry Israel without a vaccination'.

<https://www.jpost.com/breaking-news/coronavirus-vaccinated-foreigners-to-be-allowed-into-israel-in-may-665006>

## Entry Israel without a vaccination

First you have to fill a lengthy electronic form given to you by the airline company. You have to give among other details, the address of your quarantine (Bidud).

Then you have to make a PCR test before leaving the TA airport. The test office is before the custom office on the left side. The test is for free. You will get a password and can see the result on the Internet after 24 hours.

You immediately then go into quarantine for 15 days. After 9 days of quarantine you have the choice of doing another PCR test. You can leave your home for such test. If that test is negative, you can stop your quarantine.

Please also be aware, in public all people have to wear masks. In shops, masks with a valve are not allowed. Masks are sold in Israel and are very cheap. But before entering Israel of course you need to have a mask already. Mouth and nose need to be covered at all times. Police can book you for not following such instructions. There are exceptions in special places as outside area of restaurants.

Please also be aware, in Israel you will need for many places the green passport if you want to enter. Without such you cannot enter. For example, inside areas of restaurants, gymnasiums, concert halls, cinemas.

Beside such restrictions, life in Israel became relatively normal.

We do recommend to make a temporary insurance with one of the Israeli health funds. It will cost you 200 NIS registration plus about \$3.50 per day stay in Israel. Such insurance covers all hospitals, doctors, and most of all, it gives you the right for a free vaccination after the quarantine as well as the right for a free PCR test before travelling back to your home country.

Such insurance covers you after three days of starting the insurance. It is recommended to do such insurance three days before you enter the country.

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