List of professions subject to declaration requirement according to BGMD

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Introduction

EU/EFTA citizens wishing to carry out a **regulated professional activity** in Switzerland for a **maximum of 90 working days** per calendar year must submit a declaration in the SERI online portal before providing the service. Detailed information on the entire procedure can be found on the following website: www.sbfi.admin.ch/edeclaration > Procedure and Duration

If the profession or activity is not on this list, no declaration needs to be submitted to SERI.

Note: **All service providers** from the EU/EFTA must declare their period of service and place of work before commencing the provision of services: Notification procedure for short-term work in Switzerland. The confirmation of notification is a mandatory requirement in order to entry in Switzerland.

1. Healthcare

Professional activity	Note
Art therapist - Music therapy - Plastic and visual art meditation therapy - Intermedial therapy - Drama and speech therapy	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino.
Beautician	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino.
Chiropractor	
Complementary and alternative medicine (therapist in)	Factsheet
Complementary therapist - Shiatsu - Ayurveda - Eutony - Yoga - Movement therapy and dance	
Dental hygienist	
Dentist	
Dental prosthodontist	
Dental technician	
Drug store (operator)	
Druggist	
Paramedic/ Emergency medical technician	
Healthcare assistant	
Hearing aid specialist	
Laboratory (Head)	Factsheet
Laser (use for cosmetic purposes)	
Maternal, paternal and breastfeeding counsellor	
Medical doctor	
Medical massage therapist	

Professional activity	Note
Midwife (maternity nurse)	
Naturopath specialised in: - Ayurveda medicine - Homeopathic medicine - Traditional Chinese medicine (TCM) - Traditional European natural medicine (ENM)	Factsheet
Nurse	
Nutritionist	
Occupational therapist	
Optician	
Optometrist	
Orthopaedist	
Orthoptist	
Osteopath	
Paediatric acoustician	
Pharmaceuticals (manufacturer, retailer)	Factsheet
Pharmacist	
Physiotherapist	
Podologist	
Podology assistant	
Psychologist	Factsheet
Psychomotor therapist	
Psychotherapist	Factsheet
Speech therapist	
Veterinarian	

2. Trade, commerce and economy

Professional activity	Note
Business or real estate trustee	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino.
Chemical products (suppliance in a commercial capacity)	
Consumer credit (broker, agent)	
Explosive substances (dealer and user)	
Funeral (manager)	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino.
Handling of refrigerants	
Hospitality (manager)	
Narcotics (dealer and manufacturer)	
Precious metal inspector	
Private detective	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of St. Gallen and Thurgau.
Security guards (employee or manager)	Factsheet
Weapon (manufacturer or retailer)	

3. Nutrition

Professional activity	Note
Caterer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Fribourg and Vaud.

4. Forestry, fisheries and animal welfare

Professional activity	Note
Animals (activities relating to animal protection)	Factsheet
Animal therapist	
Forestry worker	Factsheet

Professional activity	Note
Insemination technician	

5. Transport

Professional activity	Note
Aircraft maintenance staff	Factsheet
Air traffic controller	
Driver transporting hazardous goods	
Taxi or limousine driver	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Geneva.
Technical manager of cableways	

6. Education and social care

Professional activity	Note
Branch course instructor	
Driving instructor	
Educational counsellor	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Berne.
Head of school	
Director of an institution for the execution of sentences for children, adolescents and young adults	
Moderator of driver's training courses	
Music teacher (degree in music pedagogy)	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Lucerne and Vaud. Factsheet
Psychomotor therapist	
Social work - Social care worker - Childhood educator - Social worker - Social educator - Sociocultural animator - Social worker in occupational environments	

Professional activity	Note
Special needs teacher - specialised in early-age curative education - specialised in school-based curative education	
Speech therapist	
Teacher - for pre-school and/or primary level - at lower secondary level - for preparatory courses for the federal vocational baccalaureate - for professional education - for classroom instruction at vocational schools - for upper-secondary baccalaureate schools	
Workplace trainer	

7. Sports activities

Professional activity	Note
Canyoning guide	
Climbing instructor	
Hang gliding instructor (hang glider, paragliders, including commercial tandem flights)	
Hiking guide	Factsheet
Hiking guide office manager	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Wallis.
Mountain guide	
Mountaineering school manager	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Wallis.
Rafting guide	
Ski/snow sports school manager	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Vaud and Wallis.
Snowsports instructor	Factsheet
White water rafting guide	

8. Construction

Professional activity	Note
Architect	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Fribourg, Geneva, Lucerne, Neuchâtel, Ticino, Valais and Vaud. Factsheet
Chartered engineering surveyor	Factsheet
Chimney sweeper	
Civil engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Fribourg, Geneva, Lucerne, Neuchâtel, Ticino, Valais and Vaud.
Construction site machinist	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Geneva, Neuchâtel, Vaud and Wallis. Factsheet
Contractor/Master builder	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino. Factsheet
Crane operator	Factsheet
Electrician (electrical inspector, installer or worker)	Factsheet
Engineer in building technology	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Geneva.
Environmental engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino.
Fire protection specialist or expert	Factsheet
Forestry engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino.
Geological engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Geneva.
Geomatic engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Ticino
Interior decorator	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Geneva, Neuchâtel and Ticino.

Professional activity	Note
Landscape architect	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Geneva, Neuchâtel and Ticino.
Layout designer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Lucerne.
Rural engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Geneva.
Spatial planner	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Neuchâtel, Ticino and Vaud.
Thermal engineer	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Geneva.
Urban planner	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Lucerne.

9. Law

Professional activity	Note
Mediator	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Cantons of Fribourg and Geneva.
Notary	
Patent lawyer	
Representative in tax and social security matters before a higher court	
Solicitor	
Sworn translator	Declaration requirement only for services provided in the Canton of Geneva.

10. Other areas

Professional activity	Note
Events involving laser radiation (operator of laser device: laser light show, holographic projection, astronomy presentation)	Factsheet
Ionising radiation (persons handling ionising radiation)	Factsheet
Pension actuary / Occupational pension expert	
Occupational health and safety specialist	Factsheet
Personnel working at nuclear facilities	
Plant protection products (professional and industrial use)	