

Exemption from the compulsory health insurance in Switzerland as a result of double burden

Persons with compulsory health insurance in another state for whom the inclusion or the maintenance of the Swiss health insurance would result in an double burden may be exempted from the insurance obligation on request if the foreign insurer provides the same insurance cover for treatment in Switzerland as the Swiss compulsory basic insurance (*Art. 2 Para. 2 KVV*).

Based on the coordination rules between Switzerland and the EU resp. EFTA, which provide clear responsibilities, this exemption reason is not applicable to persons from the EU/EFTA states.

The following documents are mandatory to decide on a request for exemption:

- Written request for exemption from the compulsory health insurance
- Short-term residence permit, residence permit or settlement permit (does not apply to Swiss nationals)
- Current proof of insurance cover abroad and for treatments in Switzerland from the responsible foreign office. The insurance must cover possible treatments in Switzerland according to the compulsory health insurance KVG
- Proof that the foreign health insurance is **compulsory**