

Undergraduate training  
Postgraduate training  
Continuing education

for dentists in Switzerland

Guidelines on

- obtaining diplomas and specialist titles
- requirements for continuing education
- recognition of foreign diplomas and specialist titles
- registration of dentists, with regard to health regulations, social insurance legislation and Aliens Law

The agreement on free movement of people is in force since June 2002 as part of the bilateral accords with the European Union (EU). At the same time, with the introduction of the Federal Law on the Free Movement of Medical Personnel in the Swiss Confederation (FMPP) and the associated ordinance, the federal government has placed the undergraduate and postgraduate dental training and continuing education on a new legal basis. One new feature in particular is that the federal government is also assuming overall responsibility in the area of specialist training, and the Swiss Dental Association (SSO), as the national professional association, carries out postgraduate dental training within the framework of the accredited specialist training programs. Despite the fact that undergraduate and postgraduate dental training and continuing education are regulated by the Confederation, the conditions for authorization to practise retain a strongly federalist character. The present guidelines are designed to provide signposts for all the interested parties, indicating the various institutions responsible within the overall legal framework. The present guidelines are designed to provide signposts for all the interested parties, indicating the various institutions responsible within the overall legal framework.

## 1. Basic training – undergraduate studies and dental diploma (Appendix 1)

1.1. The undergraduate dental course, which lasts 5 years, leads to a Swiss dental diploma. This entitles graduates to practise dentistry in a self-employed capacity throughout the Swiss Confederation.

If you wish to commence or continue an undergraduate dental course in Switzerland, please contact the dean's office at the relevant medical faculty or the Board of one of the four Dental Schools.

1.2. The dental diplomas referred to in Council Directive 78/686/EEC of 25 July 1978 are deemed to be equivalent to the Swiss dental diploma. However, you are also required to have a dental diploma of this kind formally recognized by the Executive Board for Swiss Medical Examinations. You will find further information on the homepage of the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health [SFOPH] ( <http://www.bag.admin.ch/themen/berufe/00406/index.html?lang=en> )

Even if you do not have a dental diploma in accordance with Council Directive 78/686/EEC, it may be possible for you to obtain a Swiss dental diploma after acquiring Swiss citizenship. Applications should be submitted to the Executive Board for Swiss Medical Examinations, which will specify the conditions according to the individual circumstances.

⇒ FAQ no. 1, FAQ no. 6, FAQ no. 7 and FAQ no. 8

If you wish to have foreign intermediate examinations or a foreign dental diploma recognized, please contact the Executive Board for Swiss Medical Examinations.

## 2. Postgraduate training and specialist titles (Appendix 2)

2.1. After a dentist has obtained a Swiss dental diploma or a foreign dental diploma recognized by the Executive Board, a period of postgraduate training begins which is designed to lead to the acquisition of one of the Swiss specialist titles specified in the ordinance associated with the FMPG, or to provide a qualification entitling the holder to be registered to treat patients under health insurance schemes. Postgraduate training is regulated by the SSO on behalf of the Confederation and is organized and carried out in cooperation with the Dental Schools. For each of the specialist titles, the duration of training and the requirements to be met are stipulated by a detailed programme. Depending on the specialist title, postgraduate training lasts 3–4 years.

If you wish to obtain a Swiss specialist title or a specialist title of a different kind, or if you have any queries relating to postgraduate dental training, please contact the SSO.

2.2. The specialist titles of orthodontist and oral surgeon referred to in the bilateral accords are deemed to be equivalent to the corresponding Swiss specialist titles. Responsibility for the recognition of specialist titles rests with the Postgraduate Training Board (WA). With your application for recognition, you must include confirmation from the competent authority in the country awarding the title to the effect that it corresponds to the relevant title specified in the EU Directive. In addition, you must be able to demonstrate that you have a command of one of the official languages of Switzerland (French, German, Italian, Romansh). Further information can be found on the homepage of the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health (<http://www.bag.admin.ch/themen/berufe/00407/index.html?lang=en>)

⇒ FAQ no. 1, FAQ no. 2, FAQ no. 4, FAQ no. 5, FAQ no. 10 and FAQ no. 11

If you wish to have a foreign specialist title recognized which is referred to in the EU-Swiss

bilateral accords or in the relevant Swiss ordinance, please contact the Postgraduate Training Board. It is not possible for any other foreign specialist titles to be recognized. However, periods of postgraduate training abroad may be credited towards a corresponding Swiss specialist title (cf. 2.3.).

2.3. Periods of training abroad are fully or partly recognized as qualifications for a Swiss specialist title provided that they meet the requirements of the ordinance associated with the FMPG and the Specialist Training Regulations of the SSO. Applications from individuals holding a Swiss dental diploma should be submitted to the SSO. In the case of applicants with a foreign dental diploma, the Postgraduate Training Board will decide whether or not periods of postgraduate training abroad are to be recognized. If, when dealing with an application for a title (cf. 2.1.), the SSO establishes that a holder of a foreign diploma has applied for the recognition of postgraduate training periods abroad, it will forward the application to the Postgraduate Training Board.

⇒ FAQ no. 12

- If as the holder of a Swiss dental diploma you wish to have periods of postgraduate training abroad recognized in order to qualify for a Swiss specialist title, please contact the SSO.
- If as the holder of a foreign dental diploma you wish to have periods of postgraduate training abroad recognized in order to qualify for a Swiss specialist title, please contact the Postgraduate Training Board. This is not necessary if you have already submitted an application for a Swiss title to the SSO (cf. 2.1). The SSO will forward any documents relating to postgraduate training periods abroad directly to the Postgraduate Training Board.

### **3. Continuing education – monitoring by the SSO**

Anyone who holds a dental diploma is obliged to undergo continuing education on a permanent basis. According to the Continuing Education Guidelines of the SSO, the mandatory period of continuing education comprises an average of 80 hours per year, with 30 hours' self-study being credited automatically. The remaining 50 hours are to be taken in the form of scientific and/or practical sessions during events such as conferences, courses, lectures, seminars, etc. The continuing education provided must be directly related to professional practice. Each year, at the request of the social insurance partners, 10% of all dental practice owners are called upon by the SSO to submit their certificates of continuing education.

### **4. Registration of dentists (Appendix 3)**

4.1. Responsibility for registration and supervision rests with the cantons.

4.2. The cantons only grant approval to practise in a self-employed capacity to those who hold a Swiss dental diploma or a foreign dental diploma recognized by the Executive Board.

Dentists working in Switzerland on a temporary basis (for a maximum of 3 months) in a self-employed capacity (so-called service providers) are required to have their foreign dental diploma recognized in advance by the Executive Board. For purposes of registration, please contact the appropriate cantonal authority.

If, having obtained a Swiss dental diploma or a foreign dental diploma recognized by the Executive Board, you wish to establish a practice or work in Switzerland temporarily in a self-employed capacity, please contact the appropriate cantonal authority.

4.3. No legal requirements exist at the federal level concerning authorization to practise in a non-self-employed capacity. Information can be obtained from the cantonal authorities concerning the conditions applicable for employment as an assistant in a private practice or at a dental institution.

## 5. Social insurance registration

5.1. As soon as you are in possession of a Swiss or recognized foreign dental diploma and a cantonal licence to practise, you may apply for authorization to provide services under social insurance schemes. For this purpose, you must become a party to the collective agreement concluded with the social insurance partners.

In order to be registered as a health insurance dentist, you require a so-called KSK number. For this registration, in addition to a Swiss or recognized foreign dental diploma and a cantonal licence to practise, evidence must be provided of at least 2 years' postgraduate training in a private practice and/or at a dental institution.

To be registered as a health insurance dentist and/or for the purposes of the statutory Accident Insurance (SUVA) and Disability Insurance (IV) schemes, please contact the SSO.

5.2. If you wish to operate X-ray apparatus in your practice, you must be certified as possessing the special expertise (Sachverstand) stipulated by the radiation protection legislation and obtain approval from the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health (SFOPH).

## 6. Permits required under Aliens Law (Appendix 4)

6.1. When the bilateral agreements come into force, the dental diplomas and specialist titles specified in the EU Directive will be recognized immediately (following validation by the Executive Board for Swiss Medical Examinations and the Postgraduate Training Board, as described in sections 1 and 2). Nevertheless, in order to take up or continue professional activities, all foreign nationals will still be required to hold a valid residence permit. However, foreign nationals who are already in Switzerland will be treated differently from those who wish to enter the country for the first time.

6.2. If, when the bilateral agreements come into force, you are already working in Switzerland and you have an employment contract which is unlimited or is valid for at least a year, you will be issued with an EU residence permit (valid for 5 years) when your existing 1-year residence permit expires. If your contract runs for less than a year (short-term residence permit), you are entitled to have your permit renewed. People who have been resident in Switzerland for at least 30 months are entitled to have their short-term permit converted to an EU residence permit.

Thus, foreign nationals who are already living in Switzerland will benefit directly from the principle of equal treatment for permanent residents. The transitional provisions (priority for Swiss nationals, quota system) will not be applicable.

6.3. If, however, after the bilateral agreements have come into force, you wish to take up an activity in Switzerland for the first time, you will still be subject to the earlier labour-market restrictions during the transitional period. In this case, before taking up employment, you must within 8 days after your arrival in Switzerland apply for a residence permit from the

cantonal aliens police authority and a work permit from the cantonal labour market authority. Your application may be rejected by the authorities if a Swiss national is available to fill the position in question or if the so-called foreign nationals quota has already been exhausted. The former is termed “priority for Swiss nationals”; this may be invoked by the Swiss authorities for another 2 years after the bilateral agreements have come into force. Moreover, this priority also applies vis-à-vis persons who wish to work in a self-employed capacity (i.e. in particular to establish a practice). The quota regulations – whereby a ceiling is set by the authorities on the number of work permits per canton – will remain in effect for another 5 years after the bilateral agreements come into force.

⇒ FAQ no. 5, FAQ no. 6 and FAQ no. 7

## 7. Overview of responsibilities

What?	Who?
7.1. • Starting or continuing to study dentistry in Switzerland ⇒ • Recognition/assessment of foreign intermediate examinations and foreign dental diplomas ⇒	Faculties (Appendix 1) Executive Board (LA; Appendix 1)
7.2. • Obtaining a Swiss specialist title ⇒ • Recognition of a specialist title in accordance with the EU Directive ⇒ • Recognition of postgraduate training periods abroad as a qualification for a Swiss specialist title (only applies to those who hold a foreign dental diploma) ⇒	SSO (Appendix 2) Postgraduate Training Board (WA; Appendix 2) Postgraduate Training Board (WA; Appendix 2)
7.3. • Licensing of self-employed dental practitioners ⇒ • Approval/registration requirements for service providers (foreign dentists who work in a self-employed capacity in Switzerland for less than 3 months per year) ⇒ • Provision of information for dentists with a foreign diploma who wish to take up employment (non-self-employed) ⇒	Cantons (Appendix 3) Cantons (Appendix 3) Cantons (Appendix 3)
7.4. • Assignment of KSK number for general authorization to provide services under health insurance schemes ⇒ • Authorization to provide services under statutory accident and disability insurance schemes (joining collective agreement) ⇒	SSO (Appendix 2) SSO (Appendix 2)
7.5. • Granting of approval to operate X-ray apparatus ⇒	Swiss Federal Office of Public Health (SFOPH; Appendix 1)
7.6. • Granting of residence permits for foreign nationals ⇒	Cantonal aliens police authorities (Appendix 4)

## 8. Frequently Asked Questions

(1) The bilateral accords with the European Union (EU) are in force. What does this really mean for me and where can I submit my documentation to have my foreign title recognized?

You will find every information on the SSO website ([www.sso.ch](http://www.sso.ch)) and on the homepage of the Swiss Federal Office of Public Health [SFOPH] (<http://www.bag.admin.ch/themen/berufe/00406/00547/index.html?lang=en> )

(2) I'm a Swedish specialist in paediatric dentistry. Will this title be recognized when the bilateral agreements come into effect?

The title of specialist in paediatric dentistry is not included in Council Directive 78/686/EEC. Consequently, Switzerland is not obliged to recognize diplomas of this kind. The ordinance associated with the FMPG expressly states that foreign specialist titles which are not recognized may not be displayed or used in any other way.

(3) I'm a US citizen with a US dental diploma (DDS). Three years ago I graduated with an MSc in orthodontics from Nijmegen (Netherlands), and since then I've been working as an assistant at the same university. Can I establish a specialist orthodontic practice in Switzerland when the bilateral agreements come into effect?

With regard to establishing a practice, the only relevant factor is whether dental diplomas – not specialist titles – have equivalent status. Since no agreements exist between Switzerland and the US in this connection, your diploma cannot be recognized by the Executive Board. In order to be able to establish a practice in Switzerland, you would have to acquire Swiss citizenship and obtain the necessary Swiss dental diploma (special examination or complete final examination).

(4) Can I obtain a Swiss dental specialist title without a doctorate or a dissertation?

With the transition from the SSO title to the Swiss dental specialist title, a doctorate is no longer a general prerequisite for a dental specialist title. Obviously, only the specialist qualification may then be used: "Mr Smith, specialist in orthodontics". Please note that for a number of dental specialist titles evidence of one or more scientific publications is still required (and an existing dissertation will be taken into account).

(5) I am currently working in Germany. With my German diploma, will I be allowed to establish a practice in Switzerland in 2002 and use my title of specialist in orthodontics, which is recognized in the EU Directive?

Foreign dental diplomas have to be recognized by the Executive Board, and foreign specialist titles by the Postgraduate Training Board – a Swiss committee provided for in the FMPG. Having obtained this recognition, you may apply for a licence to practise and a residence permit in the relevant canton. In view of the transitional provisions of the agreement on free movement of people, the cantons may refuse to grant a residence permit (not the licence to practise!). Although the agreement on the free movement of people essentially establishes a legal entitlement to a permit, the provisions concerning priority for Swiss nationals and control of salaries and employment conditions will continue to apply during a transitional period of 2 years. The legal entitlement is overridden by these labour market restrictions. It is

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therefore possible that, for labour market reasons, various cantons will refuse to grant approval for self-employed, as well as non-self-employed, activities during the 2-year transitional period.

(6) I've been working in Switzerland for 5 years as an assistant in a school dental clinic and hold a Swedish dental diploma. Can I establish a practice when the bilateral agreements come into effect?

Citizens of EU member states who have already been working in Switzerland for several years when the bilateral agreements come into effect and possess the necessary professional qualifications will have the right to set up their own practice when the agreements enter into force. They enjoy unrestricted equality of treatment with Swiss nationals and are considered equivalent to Swiss dentists. Applications for recognition of dental diplomas should be submitted to the Executive Board.

(7) Originally an Iranian citizen, with a diploma from the University of Tehran, I've been working for 10 years as an assistant in a private practice in Eastern Switzerland. I became a Swiss citizen 3 years ago. Can I take advantage of the agreement on free movement of people and, for example, establish a practice?

In order to establish a practice, you must have either a Swiss dental diploma or a recognized dental diploma from an EU member state. Since no agreements on the mutual recognition of diplomas exist between Iran and Switzerland, your diploma cannot be recognized as equivalent. However, irrespective of the EU-Swiss bilateral agreements, you have the option of taking a special examination at one of the four Dental Schools, following a course of study lasting at least 1 year, in order to obtain a Swiss diploma. The Executive Board for Swiss Medical Examinations is responsible for granting the necessary approvals.

(8) I'm a Swiss national with a British dental diploma. I worked as an assistant at a Dental School in Switzerland for 3 years, and I'm currently working in London. Can I establish a practice in Switzerland and treat patients under social insurance and health insurance schemes?

As a Swiss national with a dental diploma recognized in the EU Directive, you enjoy the same rights as the holder of a Swiss dental diploma. However, before you can apply for approval to establish a practice, the foreign diploma must be recognized by the Executive Board. To be able to treat patients under social insurance schemes, you must become a party to the collective agreement, and as you have undergone more than 2 years' postgraduate training you may also apply for a KSK number so as to be able to treat health insurance patients.

(9) I have a dental practice in La Chaux-de-Fonds and would like to establish a subsidiary office in France. Is this possible?

As long as they do not exceed certain proportions, subsidiaries come under the facilitated conditions of trade in services. Article 9 of Council Directive 78/686/EEC is designed to remove any illegitimate administrative barriers, so as to promote the development of a free market. The requirements stipulated by health regulations (recognized dental diploma) must of course be met. In addition, EU member states have the same option as Switzerland of



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invoking the transitional provisions concerning priority for nationals of the country in question. You are advised to consult the French authorities responsible as to whether France intends to exercise this right.

(10) Two specialist titles (orthodontics and oral surgery) are referred to in Council Directive 78/686/EEC. Is Switzerland obliged to recognize both of these titles?

Unlike the EU Directive, the bilateral accords only make reference to the title of specialist in orthodontics. For this title, mutual recognition is applicable. The title of specialist in oral surgery may be recognized if it becomes possible in Switzerland to obtain an equivalent Swiss title.

(11) I'm a Swiss national with the title of specialist in periodontics and would like to establish a practice in Germany. Am I allowed to use my Swiss specialist title in Germany?

The title of specialist in periodontics is not mentioned in the bilateral accords. There is therefore no obligation to recognize the title or permit its use. However, in view of certain decisions of the European Court of Justice, it may nevertheless be possible for recognition to be achieved if the specialist title in question exists in the host country. Responsibility for these matters lies with the Dental Boards of the individual states (Landeszahnärztekammer).

I'm a Swiss national and took my final examination (Staatsexamen) in Zurich 3 years ago. I'm now in the second year of my postgraduate training in orthodontics at the University of Cologne. Is it possible for me to complete my specialist training at a Swiss university, and will the 1 ½ years in Cologne be credited towards the Swiss title of specialist in orthodontics?

First you will have to find a place on a suitable postgraduate training course at one of the four University Dental Schools. To have the period of postgraduate training at the University of Cologne recognized, you will have to submit an application to the SSO.

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## Postgraduate training: addresses and specialist titles

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### Swiss specialist titles

(according to the Appendix to the Ordinance on Postgraduate Training and Recognition of Diplomas and Specialist Titles of the Medical Professions)

## Titles

- Specialist in orthodontics
- Specialist in oral surgery
- Specialist in periodontics
- Specialist in dental prosthetics

## Duration of postgraduate training

- |                      |         |
|----------------------|---------|
| • Orthodontics       | 4 years |
| • Oral surgery       | 3 years |
| • Periodontology     | 3 years |
| • Dental prosthetics | 4 years |

## Registration : addresses of cantonal authorities

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