



Important Note:

In Switzerland, we adhere to a respectful and courteous driving style. We look out for each other, and when possible, we also help one another. During the driving test, the focus is not on whether the candidate can operate a vehicle, as this task falls under the responsibility of the driving instructor, but rather on whether the candidate knows and can execute Swiss traffic rules.

Since Switzerland has specific traffic regulations different from our neighboring countries, it is advisable to prepare optimally. If the candidate fails the control test at their own risk (with chances as low as 2% without preparation), significant costs are to be expected. They would have to go through the entire examination process again, including an eye test, theory test, attending a traffic education course, and mastering all 12 maneuvers perfectly in the practical driving test, whereas only a maximum of 2 maneuvers are required in the control test. Additionally, since the theory test in Switzerland is only conducted in the three national languages: German, Italian, or French, the candidate must also learn the respective language.

Therefore, it is highly recommended to contact a driving instructor at least 4 months before the exam, undergo 10-15 lessons, and thus choose the easiest option for the driving test.



Control drive Cat. B

Holders of a foreign driving license Cat. B are entitled to drive a vehicle of the corresponding category **for 12 months** after entering Switzerland. After expiry of this 12-month period, foreign driving licenses may no longer be used and therefore no more vehicles may be driven.

The requirements are:

- At least 4 months prior to the test requirement.
- At least 10 lessons are mandatory and required.
- Only with a driving school car.
- As the control drive is in German, lessons are taught in German, but can also be taught in Italian or English.

Requirements for the candidate are

- Impeccable vehicle operation
- Anticipatory and defensive driving style
- Knowledge of right of way and traffic regulations
- Correct behavior at pedestrian crossings/strips
- Correct behavior when driving on the right
- Correct lane entry
- Driving according to signs
- Correct entry, exit and use of highways
- Correct execution of 2 maneuvers: / 1. emergency braking / 2. two-point turns
- Knowledge of signals
- Local knowledge of the test area various places and intersections