

# COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

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This FAQ addresses the questions you may have relating to **in-person attendance** of the Aviation Fuel Forum in Geneva on 9-11 November 2021.

This FAQ is to support you with your travel requirements. We ask for your understanding that the IATA team will not have the capacity to attend to each of the delegates' individual query.

Please note that information provided in this document is for general guidance only and might change frequently. Each traveller is responsible for verifying and monitoring the conditions that apply to their specific situation at the time of their travel.

We look forward to seeing you in Geneva!

## Travel

### ▪ **Am I allowed to enter Switzerland and where can I find the latest information?**

Currently, travellers that are allowed to enter Switzerland fall into two broad categories:

- Category 1: Travellers who are fully vaccinated (with a vaccine [approved](#) by Switzerland) or who have recovered from COVID-19 in the last six months. A valid proof of vaccination or recovery needs to be presented but a negative test result (Antigen or PCR) is not required.
- Category 2: All other travellers must present a negative test result (Antigen or PCR). After four to seven days in the country, this category of travellers must perform a second test, subject to a fee.

The latest requirements and regulations for entry into Switzerland relating to COVID-19 can be found at the website of the [Federal Office of Public Health](#). Please also refer to the [list of 'high-risk countries'](#) for which special conditions apply. It is recommended that you use the [Travel Check online tool](#) to help you verify the conditions that apply to your specific situation.

Separately, for visa requirements, please consult the website of the [Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland](#) and contact the Embassy of Switzerland in your country.

### ▪ **Do I need to complete any form to enter Switzerland?**

All travellers (Category 1 and Category 2) entering Switzerland MUST complete a short entry form electronically at <https://swissplf.admin.ch/formular>.

### ▪ **Does Switzerland impose a travel ban on people travelling from the United States, Russia, etc.?**

At present, Switzerland does not impose a travel ban or quarantine requirement on any country but travellers from [high-risk countries](#) can only enter under certain conditions. We strongly recommend that you use the [Travel Check online tool](#) to verify the conditions that apply to your specific situation.

### ▪ **Which vaccines are accepted for entry to Switzerland?**

Please consult the vaccination requirements [here](#).

- **If I need to do a test before travelling back to my home country, where can I get tested?**

- For travellers, the most convenient location to get a COVID-19 test is at Geneva Airport. The testing centre is called **m3 SANITRADE** located at Terminal T2 of Geneva Airport, in front of parking area P51. The centre performs both Nasopharyngeal and Saliva PCR tests, as well as Rapid Antigen Tests. At this centre, Rapid Antigen Test results are available within 15 minutes and PCR test results are available within 24 hours. The centre is open from 06:00 am to 07:00 pm, 7 days a week. We strongly recommend booking an appointment to avoid significant queuing times, either [online](#) or by phone (+41 22 809 07 35).

## During the Event

- **Do I need a COVID certificate to access the venue of the Fuel Forum in Geneva?**

The latest information on COVID certificate requirements can be found on the website of the [Federal Office of Public Health, Switzerland](#). Please go to this website to obtain the information you need.

Swiss regulations state that a **Swiss COVID certificate** or **EU Digital COVID certificate** **MUST be presented** in order to access indoor events or facilities such as restaurants and pubs.

**If you already have the EU Digital COVID Certificate, you do not need to apply for a Swiss COVID certificate.**

Otherwise, in general, the following categories of foreign travellers to Switzerland can apply online to obtain a Swiss COVID certificate:

- those fully vaccinated with a vaccine approved by the European Medicines Agency or EMA (Pfizer/BioNTech, Moderna, AstraZeneca, and Janssen)
- those who have recovered from an infection that was confirmed by a positive PCR test not more than 180 days before.

Various documented proofs would be needed in the application.

Attendees of the Fuel Forum in Geneva who fall into the above qualified categories should **apply for the Swiss COVID certificate online as soon as possible**, as application processing time by the Canton of Geneva can take 5 days or longer. Online application can be made at:

<https://smc02.hug.ch/surveys/?s=WA39AEN9T3CYMK9W>

*Please note the following in the online application:*

- *In the country dropdown box, the country names have not been translated to English, in which case, please look for the French names of the countries e.g. *Etats-Unis* for USA or *Royaume-Uni* for UK. Please note that for Canada, you need to select *Etats-Unis, Canada +1*.*
- *The documentation that needs to be uploaded should be in PDF or JPEG format.*
- *Date format should always be dd.mm.yyyy.*

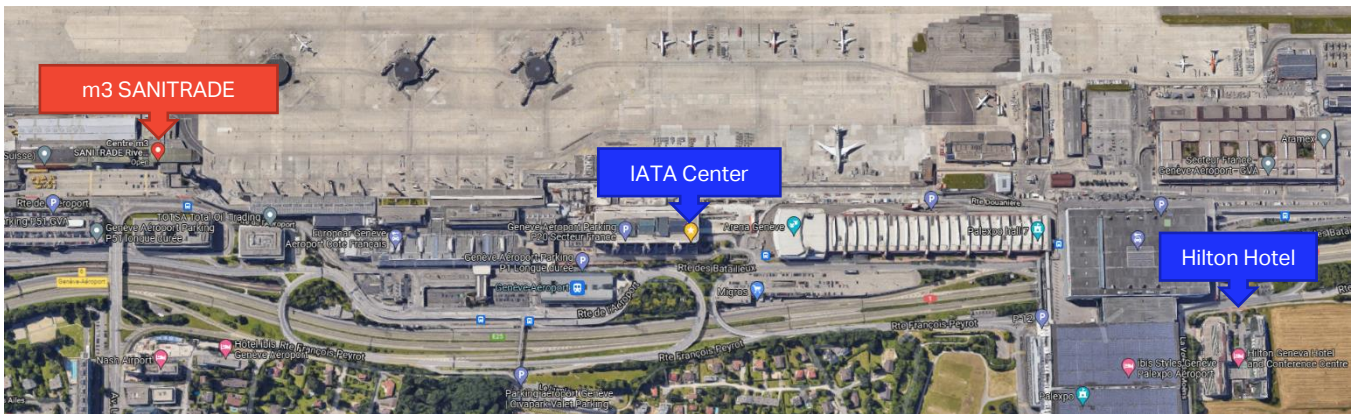
Travellers who are vaccinated with other vaccines (including Sinopharm, Sinovac and Sputnik V) and non-vaccinated travellers can only obtain a Swiss COVID certificate by having a Rapid Antigen Test or PCR test done when they are in Switzerland. At the time of the test, the traveller needs to inform the testing agency that a Swiss COVID certificate is required. A Swiss COVID certificate obtained in this manner is valid only for 48 hours (for a Rapid Antigen Test) or 72 hours (for a PCR test) from the time of testing.

As **DAILY checks** of the Swiss COVID certificate have to be carried out at the event venue of the Fuel Forum, delegates need to ensure that their Swiss COVID certificates are **valid throughout the duration** of the Fuel Forum.

- **Where can I get tested in Geneva if I need to obtain a Swiss COVID certificate?**

To obtain a Swiss COVID certificate (valid for only 48 hours or 72 hours depending on the type of test), pre-departure testing, or testing to verify the cause of symptoms, there is a testing center at Geneva Airport, in the vicinity of the Hilton Hotel:

- **m3 SANITRADE** at Geneva Airport. The testing centre is located at Terminal T2 of Geneva Airport, in front of parking area P51. The centre performs both Nasopharyngeal and Saliva PCR tests, as well as Rapid Antigen Tests. At this centre, Rapid Antigen Test results are available within 15 minutes and PCR test results are available within 24 hours. The centre is open from 06:00 am to 07:00 pm, 7 days a week. We strongly recommend booking an appointment to avoid significant queuing times, either [online](#) or by phone (+41 22 809 07 35).



- **Which COVID safety measures will apply during the event?**

Please consult the [COVID 19 Safety Protocols](#) that will apply throughout the event.

- **What should I do if I develop flu-like symptoms during the event?**

- Please notify the IATA staff and get tested immediately, isolate in your room until your test results are known, and seek medical advice if your test result is positive. More information can be obtained from the [COVID 19 Safety Protocols](#).
- It is highly recommended that your travel to Switzerland is covered by travel insurance.