



Welcome to Switzerland and in the Canton of Zurich

You had to flee Ukraine and have found protection in the Canton of Zurich. With this information sheet we inform you about how to proceed in order to obtain temporary protection in Switzerland.

Protection Status “S”

On 11 March 2022, Switzerland has decided to grant the Protection Status “S” to persons who have fled Ukraine.

With the Protection Status “S”, Ukrainian citizens receive the right of residence, accommodation, support, and medical care without having to undergo the standard asylum process. It also allows you to bring family members to join you and to take up gainful employment. Children can go to school.

Where can you apply for the Protection Status “S”?

The State Secretariat for Migration (“Staatsekretariat für Migration” (SEM)) is competent to grant temporary protection. You have to register with a Federal Asylum Centre (“Bundesasylzentrum”) so that the Protection Status can be granted to you. We recommend you to submit your application online through the homepage of SEM (<https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/de/home.html>).

It is also possible to go in person to one of the Federal Asylum Centres. In the Canton of Zurich, you find it at the following address:

Contact

Applications for asylum
Federal Asylum Centre
Zurich
 (“Bundesasylzentrum
Zürich”)
Duttweilerstrasse 11
8005 Zurich



Telephone: 058 480 14 80

If you come by public transport, take tram No. 4 (bound for Altstetten Station) from Zurich Main Station (“Bahnhofquai/Hauptbahnhof”) and get off at “Toni-Areal”.

S Permit for persons with Protection Status “S”

The decision of the State Secretariat for Migration (SEM) on your application for temporary protection will be sent to you directly by the SEM. After a positive decision, you will then receive further information from the Migration Office (“Migrationsamt”) on how to proceed in order to get the S permit that confirms your Protection Status. Please wait for this information from the Migration Office before taking further steps to obtain your S permit.