



EUROPEAN MOVES

Moving to Switzerland with Bishop's Move

THE FUNDAMENTALS

Moving to Switzerland.

Whether you are moving to or from Switzerland Bishop's Move can help with your removal. Our service includes the wrapping and protection of your household effects.

What Can I Expect From Bishop's Move?

Upon your initial enquiry Bishop's Move will arrange a free home survey and provide a quotation for your move. Our expert staff will advise and support you on every step of your journey, providing you with help and advice. We will be able to provide help and assistance regarding the customs paperwork required for moving to or from Switzerland.

What Services Do We Provide?

We offer a range of removal services including the following:

Direct Load

We pack (or you can pack all small items into cartons yourself) your household effects, wrap and protect all the furniture and large items and then load on to our vehicle, we then travel to your new home at a date that is convenient to you. We unload, unwrap and place your consignment in your new home. An unpacking service is also available*.

Part Load

We pack (or you can pack all small items into cartons yourself) your household effects, wrap and protect all the furniture and large items and then load on to our vehicle. Your consignment is then taken to one of our safe and secure warehouses. Our Operations team will agree a delivery time frame with you and once our delivery schedules are known we will confirm a delivery date. This is a more cost effective way of moving as you only use part of our vehicle, other consignments are also loaded on the same vehicle in order to share the cost.

Storage

We can also offer storage at origin or destination, should you require this service.

Getting to know your new country:

- **FULL NAME IS THE SWISS CONFEDERATION & THE LATIN NAME IS CONFOEDERATIO HELVETICA HENCE CH FOR IT'S ABBREVIATION.**
- **TIME ZONE IS CET (GMT + 1 HR)**
- **SWITZERLAND IS MULTILINGUAL WITH FOUR NATIONAL LANGUAGES, GERMAN, FRENCH, ITALIAN AND ROMANSH.**
- **CHRISTIANITY IS THE PROMINENT RELIGION THOUGH THE COUNTRY HAS NO OFFICIAL STATE RELIGION ALTHOUGH MOST CANTON'S EXCEPT GENEVA AND NEUCHATEL RECOGNISE OFFICIAL CHURCHES WHICH ARE EITHER CATHOLIC OR (PROTESTANT) SWISS REFORMED CHURCH.**
- **CURRENCY IS SWISS FRANCS**
- **VAT RATE WHERE APPLICABLE IS 7.6% EXCEPT IN HOTELS WHERE IT IS 3.6%.**
- **CREDIT CARDS AREN'T WIDELY USED IN SWITZERLAND**
- **THE ELECTRICAL SUPPLY IS 220V. DOMESTIC APPLIANCES FROM THE UK WILL NOT WORK/OPERATE WITHOUT A TRANSFORMER.**
- **SWISS EMPLOYMENT LAW BANS WORKING ON SUNDAY'S SO VIRTUALLY ALL SHOPS STAY CLOSED. EXCEPTIONS BEING ANY BUSINESS IN A RAILWAY STATION OR IF A BUSINESS IS A FAMILY ONE HENCE NOT EMPLOYING ANYONE SO YOU CAN STAY OPEN.**



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Things You Should Be Aware of:

If you are moving to a town or small village there may be potential access issues or parking restrictions. Narrow streets or apartment blocks can all pose potential problems when unloading at your new home.

If you can advise us in advance, Bishop's Move through its network of European Partners can arrange smaller shuttle vehicles and specialist equipment such as hoists to ensure a smooth pain free delivery of your consignment.

Internet:

There are internet cafes in most areas. Major ISP include Swisscom, green.ch and cablecom.

Customs Regulations:

It is important for you to understand the customs regulations that govern the import procedures of the country you are moving to.

If you chose to move with Bishop's Move our expert team will guide you through the Customs documentation & regulations as required.





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