

Simplified approval – regulations

A – Residence in CH

As soon as residence has been taken up in Switzerland, the Swiss Brevet in the relevant category is mandatory.

Approval requested	Pilot already has...	Pilot still needs to complete...
Pilot	IPPI Level 4	Demonstration flight at flight school to gauge abilities/number of flights to be successfully completed. Theoretical examination CHF 125. Practical examination CHF 125.
	IPPI Level 5 (or German B/Austrian licence valid for cross country flights)	Legislation section of the theory examination only, CHF 60. A copy of the Legislation section sample exam questions can be obtained for CHF 10.
	Skydivers	No simplified approval.
Biplace 3	Pilot has recognised tandem training with a licence and has demonstrable very extensive flying experience as a (professional) tandem pilot.	Theory examination: Full theory examination inc. passenger supervision Practical examination: The Tandem 3 examination can be entered directly. In this case, both the Pilot and Tandem 1 examinations are dropped, as well as the training flights and waiting periods in between. This will be checked by the SHPA in each individual case using the ID cards provided and the flight experience demonstrated (flight book + a letter of recommendation from a flight instructor must be sent in). Conclusion: Pilot, Biplace 1 and waiting times no longer necessary.
Biplace 3	Pilot has recognised tandem training with a licence and has little flying experience as a (professional) tandem pilot.	Full tandem training must be successfully completed.
Flight instructor	Flight instructor is in possession of an approved flight instructor licence	For a simplified authorization as a flight instructor, applicants should contact the SHV directly.

B – Resident abroad & occasional flying in Switzerland

Licence	Regulation
Pilot	Occasional flying in Switzerland is permitted for pilots with the international pilot permit (IPPI) Level 4 or 5 . This permit must be obtained from the relevant regional association.
Biplace	A foreign tandem permit is sufficient for occasional non-commercial tandem flights.
Flight instructor	Commercial activity as a flight instructor is not allowed.

Simplified approval – procedure

1. Registration with the SHPA (SHV/FSVL)

- Pilot:
 - Must register with the SHPA
 - Submits original Brevet or a good scan to SHPA (inc. Biplace licence, IPPI card, etc. if existing)

2. Issue approval

- SHPA:
 - Checks Brevet and other documents
 - Provides Accompanying letter "Confirmation of simplified approval" and Monitoring card which the pilot has to present on the theory exam.

3. Take theory exam

- Pilot:
 - Register online for a theory exam
 - Presents the received documents on the theory exam.

4. Issue Brevet

- SHPA:
 - Upon successful completion of the theory exam the pilot will receive the Swiss Brevet.
 - Presents the received documents on the theory exam.