

Reimbursement of OASI contributions for foreign employees

Foreign nationals from countries without a social security agreement can take advantage of contribution reimbursement. The prerequisite is that the person is resident abroad, or can provide proof of their intention to move abroad.

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Countries without a social security agreement

Provided the contributions were paid for at least one full year, foreign nationals from countries without a social security agreement have the following option:

Reimbursement of OASI contributions in the form of a cash payment

OASI contributions can be reimbursed on request without interest, provided the employee and their family are leaving Switzerland definitively.

For information and the application form for reimbursement of OASI contributions, contact:

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https://www.zas.admin.ch/zas/en/home/particuliers/demander-une-rente-de-vieillesse/nationalite-d_un-autre-pays-.html
"Reimbursement request form"

Countries with a social security agreement

Switzerland has a social security agreement with the following countries. Foreign nationals from countries with a social security agreement have the following options for reimbursement of OASI contributions. The prerequisite is that the contributions were paid for at least one full year:

OASI pension on reaching Swiss retirement age, also payable abroad

EU/EFTA countries
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Chile
Israel (only if the relevant person is resident in Switzerland or Israel)
Japan
Canada/Quebec*
Kosovo
Montenegro
North Macedonia*
San Marino
Serbia
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
USA

OASI reimbursement on leaving Switzerland

China*
India
South Korea

OASI pension on reaching Swiss retirement age (also payable abroad) or OASI reimbursement on leaving Switzerland

Australia *
Brazil
Philippines *
Uruguay *
Tunisia

OASI pension on reaching Swiss retirement age (also payable abroad), or transfer of contributions to social security system in Turkey (reimbursement not possible)

Turkey

**Under certain conditions, the reimbursement of the contributions in these countries are possible*

Additional information

The brochure for EU/EFTA nationals entitled "Leaving Switzerland and moving to an EU or EFTA member state" can be found at <https://www.ahv-iv.ch/p/880.e>

The brochure entitled "Swiss social insurance system: Sojourn in Switzerland and departure" for foreign nationals from countries with and without a social security agreement can be found at <https://www.bsv.admin.ch/bsv/en/home/informations-for/auswanderer.html>

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