



World Economic Forum 2020 in Davos Quick Reference Guide for «Diplomatic Clearances»

Regulations valid from 19 to 25 January 2020

1. Ground handling, parking

At the airports of Zurich (and Geneva), a ground handling agent must be contacted prior to request for a Diplomatic Clearance, in order to arrange the handling and – if needed – the parking. Only once the parking is confirmed, the request may be submitted to FOCA and the ground handler must be indicated.

Without parking authorisation, any aircraft must leave the airport within two hours to park at a different airport. Earliest landing for wide body aircraft (e.g. A330, A340, B777) without parking authorization is after 13.00 UTC (14.00 local time) only. For narrow body aircraft (single-aisle; e.g. A320, B737), a maximum ground time of up to two hours can be guaranteed at any time.

No more than two state aircraft per state are accepted at the same time.

Flights for the transport of logistical material and vehicles should be operated before 19 January and after 25 January only. The parking time should not exceed two hours.

The airport of Geneva (LSGG) is not available for parking due to ongoing construction works and thus parking congestion.

The military airport of Dübendorf (LSMD) is not available for state flights.

➤ No Diplomatic Clearance will be issued without clear parking situation.

2. Airport slots

An airport slot (service type -I-) is mandatory for all fixed wing aircraft or IFR flight.

3. Airport opening hours for state flights

Zurich airport: 06.30 – 23.30* local time (planning until 23.00 only)¹

Geneva airport: 06.00 – 22.00 local time (not available for parking)

Davos Stilli heliport: 08.00 – 22.00 local time

(basically no direct flights from abroad permitted. Prior authorisation from FOCA/Helicopter Flight Operations and accreditation by Swiss Air Force is always required)

Other airports: according to Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP) Switzerland

¹ Arrivals/departures of flights can be planned until 23.00 local time. Flights between 23.00 and 23.30 local time are only allowed in case of delays.

4. Noise abatement

Jet aircraft which have a noise certification of Chapter 2, shall be planned to take-off between 09.00 and 19.00 local time, and from Monday to Friday only.

5. Request for a Diplomatic Clearance

Please submit the request on the official WEF application form by email or fax to:

Email: diplomatic.clearances@bazl.admin.ch

Fax: +41 58 465 80 60

6. Flight plan and Diplomatic Clearance Number

The crew of the aircraft must file an ICAO flight plan with the NMOC of EUROCONTROL prior to departure.

The Diplomatic Clearance authorisation number (e.g. *SWITZERLAND CHxxxx 2020*) shall be inserted in field 18 of the flight plan (Other information «RMK/» field); any flight plan without or with no valid authorisation number may be suspended without prior notice.

Enclosures:

- List of ground handling agents at Zurich, Bern, St. Gallen-Altenrhein
- Application form