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### **Information: Redesign of the Swiss driving licence as of 15 April 2023**

Dear Sir or Madam

From 15 April 2023, driving licences issued in Switzerland will have a new layout. They will be produced using a laser printing process, which is why the photograph now appears black and white. The new driving licence has up-to-date security features and meets the requirements for the European driving licence. We are pleased to provide you with an overview of the data field labels and appearance of the new Swiss driving licence in the enclosure.

Swiss driving licences currently in circulation, either on blue paper (issued until 31 March 2003) or in credit card format (issued between 1 April 2003 and 14 April 2023), will continue to be valid unless otherwise stated on the licence.

Further information will be available on the website of the Federal Roads Office (FEDRO) from 15 April 2023 (this notification in German, French, Italian and English at [Driving licence / Training \[admin.ch\]](#); detailed directives in German, French and Italian at [Documents concerning road traffic \[admin.ch\]](#)).

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Yours sincerely

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Enclosure: Data field labels and appearance

## Annex 1

### The Swiss driving licence in credit card format (as issued from 15 April 2023)

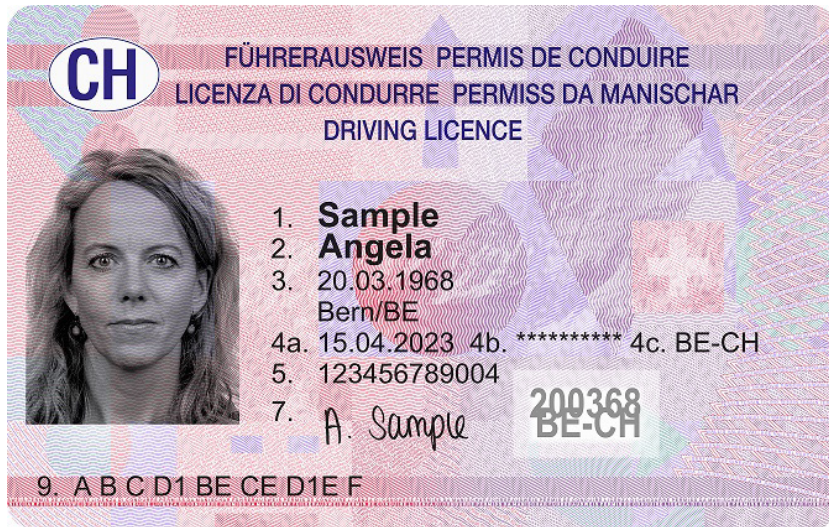
#### 1. The new driving licence contains the following data fields

1	Surname of the holder
2	First name of the holder
3	Date of birth and place of origin or place of birth of the holder
4a	Date of issue of the licence
4b	Date of expiry of the licence (or a dash if the licence is valid indefinitely)
4c	Name of the issuing authority (see <a href="#">List of abbreviations</a> and <a href="#">addresses</a> )
5	Number of the licence
6	Photograph of the holder
7	Signature of the holder
(8)	Place of residence, domicile or postal address (not recorded on Swiss driving licences)
9	Categories of vehicles the holder is entitled to drive
10	Date of issue of each category
11	Date of expiry of each category
12	Additional information
13	QR code (contains the surname and first name, date of birth [format DDMMYYYY] and FA-BER PIN. This number consists of nine digits plus three consecutive numbers and is a separate identification number for administrative purposes)
(14)	Information essential for administering the licence or related to road safety (not recorded on Swiss driving licences)

## 2. Appearance and visible security features

### Front:

To the right of the signature is an MLI (Multiple Laser Imagine) which, depending on the viewing angle, shows the date of birth in the format DDMMYY as well as the cantonal abbreviation of the issuing authority followed by -CH.



### Reverse (all language versions):

- At the top left are 20 Swiss crosses printed with optically variable colour.
- The QR Code is in the centre left.
- At the bottom left is a legend that varies depending on the language version.

### Reverse (language: German):



**Reverse (language: French):**

9.	10.	11.	12.
A	02.06.1989	*****	
B	05.05.1990	*****	121
C	22.07.1991	*****	
D1	16.09.1993	*****	106
BE	05.05.1990	*****	
CE	16.03.1993	*****	
D1E	16.03.1993	*****	

1. Nom  
 2. Prénom  
 3. Date de naissance, lieu d'origine  
 4a. Date de délivrance  
 4b. Date d'échéance  
 4c. Autorité d'émission  
 5. Numéro du permis  
 9. Catégorie  
 10. Date de délivrance, par catégorie  
 11. Date d'échéance, par catégorie  
 12. Indications complémentaires

**Reverse (language: Italian):**

9.	10.	11.	12.
A	02.06.1989	*****	
B	05.05.1990	*****	121
C	22.07.1991	*****	
D1	16.09.1993	*****	106
BE	05.05.1990	*****	
CE	16.03.1993	*****	
D1E	16.03.1993	*****	

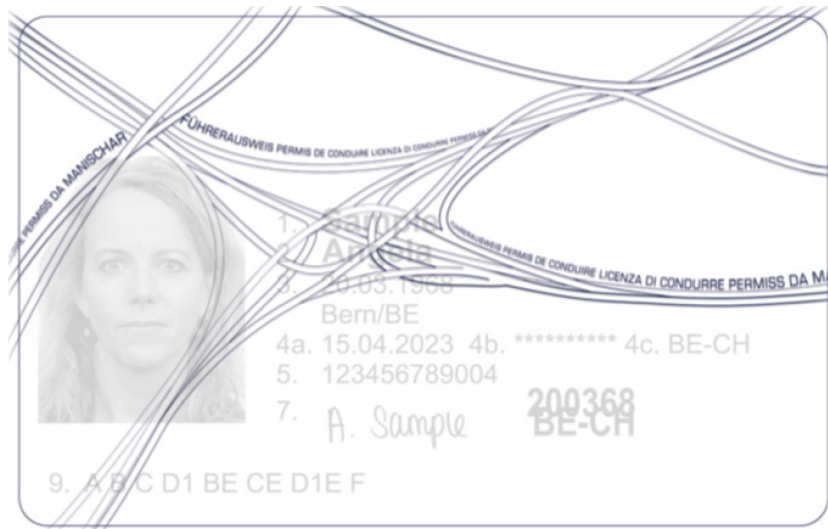
1. Cognome  
 2. Nome  
 3. Data di nascita, luogo d'origine  
 4a. Data di rilascio  
 4b. Data di scadenza  
 4c. Autorità di rilascio  
 5. Numero della licenza  
 9. Categoria  
 10. Data di rilascio, per categoria  
 11. Data di scadenza, per categoria  
 12. Dati supplementari

**Reverse (language: Romansh):**

9.	10.	11.	12.
A	02.06.1989	*****	
B	05.05.1990	*****	121
C	22.07.1991	*****	
D1	16.09.1993	*****	106
BE	05.05.1990	*****	
CE	16.03.1993	*****	
D1E	16.03.1993	*****	

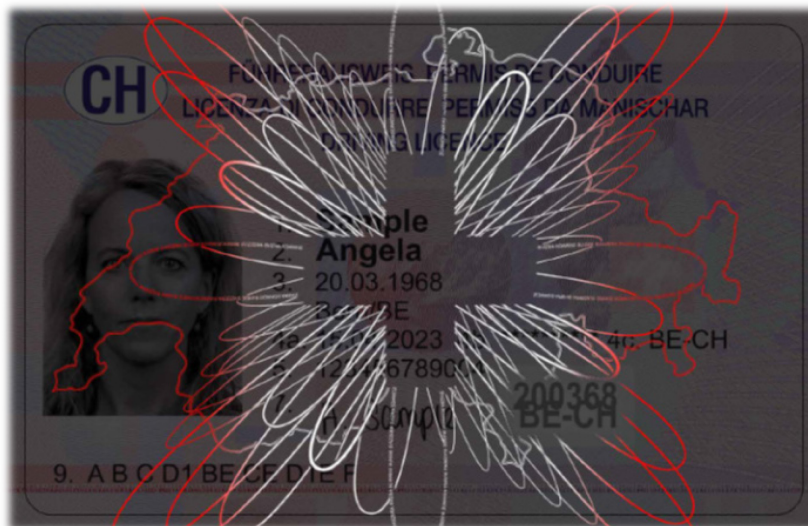
1. Num  
 2. Prenum  
 3. Data da naschientscha, lieu d'origin  
 4a. Data d'emissiun  
 4b. Data da scadenza  
 4c. Autoridad d'emissiun  
 5. Numer dal permess  
 9. Categoria  
 10. Data da concessiun, per categoria  
 11. Data da scadenza, per categoria  
 12. Indicaziuns supplementaras

**Front; Tactile surface texture effects:**

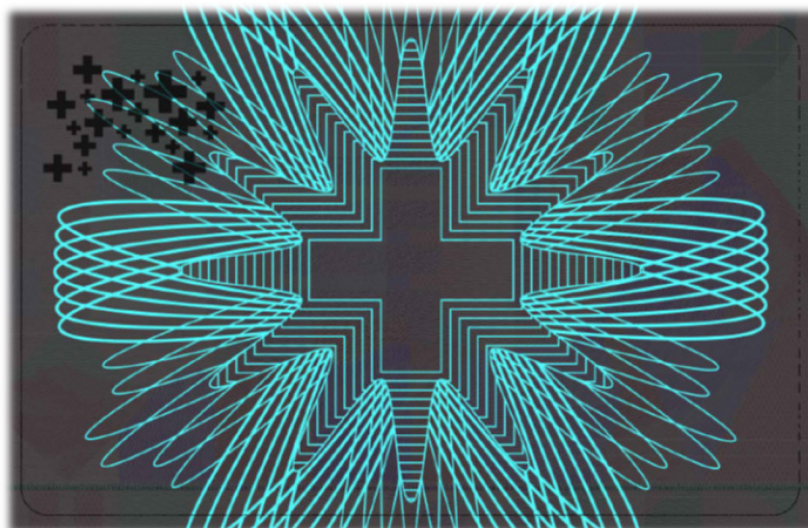


The data under point 5 is also tactile.

**Front; view under UV illumination:**



**Reverse; view under UV illumination:**



## Annex 2

### The Swiss driving licence in credit card format (as issued from 1 April 2003 to 14 April 2023)

#### 1. The driving licence contains the following data fields

1	Surname of the holder
2	First name of the holder
3	Date of birth and place of origin or place of birth of the holder
4a	Date of issue of the licence
4b	Date of expiry of the licence (or a dash if the licence is valid indefinitely)
4c	Name of the issuing authority (see <a href="#">List of abbreviations</a> and <a href="#">addresses</a> )
5	Number of the licence
6	Photograph of the holder
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(8)	Place of residence, domicile or postal address (not recorded on Swiss driving licences)
9	Categories of vehicles the holder is entitled to drive
10	Date of issue of each category
11	Date of expiry of each category
12	Additional information
(13)	Details for administration purposes (not recorded on Swiss driving licences)
(14)	Information essential for administering the licence or related to road safety (not recorded on Swiss driving licences)









