

## **Practical Information**

Work Permit and associated Language Requirements for Switzerland:

For UK nationals and Nationals from other countries outside the EU a work permit has to be applied for before moving to Switzerland. This process can take up to 3 to 4 months. The employer applies for the work permit.

It will require a CV and proof of degrees and diplomas obtained. Beginner level French is required.

For EU nationals there is freedom of movement to Switzerland. A work permit is still required, but the application can be started once the person arrives in Switzerland. The process usually takes 14 days.

## **Health Insurance:**

Health insurance is compulsory and must be taken out as soon as one arrives in Switzerland. There are several insurance companies and the basic level of insurance (LaMal) cannot be refused. Full details can be found at

<https://www.bag.admin.ch/en/health-insurance-key-points-in-brief>

Basic insurance premiums for the Minister and family members are borne by the Church of Scotland, Geneva. Complementary insurance premiums would be borne by the Minister.

## **Additional information:**

Church related travel is reimbursed

A 2 bedroom, plus study apartment is provided

The church pays all utility bills for the Manse

There is one parking space in an indoor garage

There is an excellent public transport network