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## Inclusion of flights from Switzerland to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the Swiss emissions trading system

### 1. General remarks

Aircraft operators have been subject to the Swiss emissions trading system (ETS) since 2020.

In 2020, flights from Switzerland to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK) were included in the Swiss ETS. However, following the UK's exit from the EU and the European Economic Area (EEA), these flights were no longer subject to Swiss ETS reporting and surrendering obligations in 2021 and 2022.

From 2023 on, flights from Switzerland to the UK are again included in the Swiss ETS, mirroring the scope of the EU ETS.

### Legal basis

Ordinance on the Reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions (CO<sub>2</sub> Ordinance). SR 641.711

### 2. Scope extended from 2023

Starting on 1 January 2023, flights from Switzerland to the UK are again subject to Swiss ETS reporting and surrendering obligations. Aircraft operators must therefore record these flights in their annual emissions reports from 2023 on, unless exempted for other reasons. They must also surrender emission allowances corresponding to the volume of emissions from these flights.

### 3. Note on free allocation

Aircraft operators that previously received a free allocation of emission allowances for 2020 for flights to the UK under the Swiss ETS will again receive a free allocation for these flights for 2023, taking account of the annual linear reduction factor of 2.2%, provided these operators are still active. No further steps are required.

### 4. Contact and questions

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