

## General Terms and Conditions

### Requirements:

- The participant or at least one of their parents must be a **Swiss citizen** or attend a Swiss school abroad.
- The participant must be **resident abroad**.
- **Age limit:**
  - Age group: 8–12 years
    - The lower age limit is **8 years**; participants must have reached this age by the end of the summer camp season (mid-August). Younger children are not permitted to take part.
    - The upper age limit is **12 years**; with all participants who are 12 years old in the year of the camp being eligible. Older participants may register for the older age group.
  - Age group: 12–14 years
    - The lower age limit is **12 years**; participants must reach this age during the year in which the camp is held. Younger participants may register for a camp for the younger age group.
    - The upper age limit is **14 years**. Exceptions will be made if a participant turns 15 within the three months prior to the first day of the camp.
  - Age group: 10-14 years
    - This age group applies only to the designated summer camps.
    - The lower age limit is **10 years**; participants must have reached this age by the end of the summer camp season (mid-August). Younger participants may register for a camp designed for 8-12-year-olds.
    - The upper age limit is **14 years**. Exceptions will be made if a participant turns 15 within three months before the first day of the camp.
  - Age group: 15+ years
    - Teenagers aged 15 or older may register for a summer camp with the [Swiss Community – Organisation of the Swiss Abroad](#).
- The participant must be **fluent** in at least one of the five languages (German, English, French, Italian, or Spanish).
- **Participants' interest** in camp life and the programme we offer.
- A certain level of **independence** is expected: participant should be able to take care of their own clothes and daily hygiene and be capable of putting the needs of the camp community before their own.
- **Willingness of parents** to entrust their child **into the care of the leadership team** for the duration of the summer camp.



### **Important information for the application process:**

- Participants may only attend one camp per season.
- Registration is exclusively via our [website](#).
- The closing date for registrations is 15 March. Registrations will be considered in order of receipt on a first-come, first-served basis. All other information is sent with the payment confirmation.
- Within 7 days after the registration, the following documents must be sent to [info@sjas.ch](mailto:info@sjas.ch): Copy of the **Swiss passport** (or any other confirmation of Swiss citizenship), copy of the **health insurance card**.
- From February 15, registrations are open to all children attending Swiss schools abroad. For subsidy reasons, the camp price is CHF 200 higher. No financial assistance is available.
- After receiving the registration and the documents described above, a confirmation will be sent, so that travel to Switzerland can be arranged as soon as possible. Legal representatives must cover the cost of the journey to and from Switzerland. Participants will generally be met at Zurich Airport.
- Camp fees are due 30 days after the invoice is issued.
- Without feedback or in case of missing submission of the required documents/payments up to 60 days before the start of the camp, FYSA cancels the registration and invoices the applicable cancellation fees in full.

### **Cancellation fee:**

- From confirmation until 3 days after confirmation = no cancellation fees;
- From 4 days after confirmation until March 15<sup>th</sup> = 20% of the total camp fees;
- From March 16<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup> = 50% of the total camp fees;
- From April 16<sup>th</sup> to June 15<sup>th</sup> = 75% of the total camp fees;
- From June 16<sup>th</sup> onwards = 100% of the total camp fees;
- In case of cancellations with a contribution reduction, fees are calculated and adjusted proportionally.
- In case of cancellation of a child's participation with full contribution reduction after June 15<sup>th</sup>, cancellation fees of at least CHF 200.- must be paid. Travel reductions must be fully refunded upon cancellation.
- In case of payment refusal, FYSA suspends the child's participation until the incurred costs have been fully paid.
- FYSA reserves the right to cancel activities up to six weeks before the event, in which case no cancellation fees apply.
- Any participant leaving the camp early will not be given a refund. The FYSA will not issue a refund if you have to cancel at short notice for whatever reason. FYSA recommends purchasing appropriate travel insurance.



#### **Insurance:**

- FYSA has supplementary accident insurance for each **Swiss child abroad**. However, **personal insurance** is required for treatment at a doctor's office or hospital for the treatment to proceed. The insurance will then handle cost allocation.
- Participants are **NOT** insured against **illness**. FYSA recommends purchasing appropriate international insurance.

#### **Financial Support:**

FYSA has (limited) resources to support Swiss children abroad with limited financial means. The relevant form can be downloaded [here](#) and submitted to the office at [info@sjas.ch](mailto:info@sjas.ch) within 7 days of receiving the participation confirmation for a winter or summer camp.

You will be informed of the decision regarding the application within one month.

#### **Obligations of the participants:**

By participating in an FYSA camp, the participant commits to integrating into the camp community, participating in the camp program, and respecting the camp rules. FYSA does not tolerate violence (verbal or physical) or other boundary-crossing behavior. Suspected property damage, substance abuse, and misuse of computers, tablets, mobile phones, smartwatches, game consoles (including the consumption of pornographic, violent, and discriminatory content and cyberbullying) are prohibited. **In case of violations, the participant may be sent home at any time.** Therefore, a **contact person in Switzerland** must be available during the camp to take charge of the child if necessary.

#### **Legal matters:**

- For any legal matters, the court of jurisdiction is Bern. Swiss law applies.
- By registering, the participant and their legal representative(s) agree to the processing of their personal data for the organization of our camps, per our [privacy policy](#).
- By registering, the participant and their guardians consent to photos and videos of the participant being taken during the camp and used on our website, social media, and promotional materials (e.g., brochures, flyers). We only use respectful images and videos. If this is not desired, a written request must be sent to [info@sjas.ch](mailto:info@sjas.ch) within 30 days after registration closes.

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