



Attachment

General Information

How to get to Biel/Bienne

By Air

From these international airports in Switzerland, Biel/Bienne can be reached by train in about 1h 40min:

- Genève (GVA), www.gva.ch
- Zürich (ZRH), www.flughafen-zuerich.ch
- Basel/Mulhouse (BSL), www.euroairport.com
- Bern/Belp (BLP), www.flughafenbern.ch/en/home

By train

Biel/Bienne can be reached

From	in	by	changes in
Geneva Airport	1h 40min	IC-tilting train (ICN)	direct trains
Zurich Airport	1h 30min	IC-tilting train (ICN)	direct trains or change in Zürich HB (main station)
Basel Airport	1h 40min	Airport Shuttle Bus, then IC-tilting train (ICN)	Basel SBB (main station)
Bern Airport	1h 20min	Airport Shuttle Bus, then RegioExpress trains	Bern SBB (main station)

Please note that the trains travel once an hour to and from Geneva-Airport, and twice an hour to and from Zürich-Airport.

Biel/Bienne can also be reached by train from Mainz and Paris in about 4½ to 5 hours with 1 up to 3 changes.

The online time table of the Swiss Federal Railways (SBB/CFF/FFS) is available under www.sbb.ch/en/

From: please use “Zurich Airport”, “Geneva Airport” or “Basel Airport”
To: please use “Biel/Bienne”

Train tickets can be purchased online or in the railway station either at the counter or on ticket machines (cash and credit cards). Please note that return tickets are valid for a maximum of 10 days only for the journeys with distances larger than 116 km. An overview of the validity of the train tickets can be consulted at the following link www.sbb.ch/en/travelcards-and-tickets/tickets-for-switzerland/individual-tickets/outward-return-round-trips.html

Seat reservations are not needed.

Most of the trains/wagons are equipped with electrical outlets.

Swiss Half Fare Card is recommended for longer stays in Switzerland and entitles the holder to half price travels on trains, buses, and other means of Swiss public transportation.
<https://www.sbb.ch/en/travelcards-and-tickets/railpasses/half-fare-travelcard.html>

By car

There are no visitor parking spaces available at OFCOM, due to construction activities, but there is a public parking at the central railway station in Biel/Bienne which is in close proximity (Bahnhofplatz 4, entrance from Murtenstrasse, www.apcoa.ch/en/parking-in/bielbienne/bahnhof-parking-bielbienne.html).

First 30 minutes 1.00 CHF
First hour 2.00 CHF
Each additional hour 2.00 CHF
Daily max. 26.00 CHF

Biel/Bienne is a bilingual city on the border of the Swiss German and French speaking parts of Switzerland. Therefore street names are written in German or French language. Street names in this document are written in German.

Accommodation possibilities

Hotel Elite** (Walking distance: 10 minutes to/from OFCOM)**

Bahnhofstrasse 14
P.O. Box
CH-2501 Biel
Phone: ++41 32 328 77 77
Fax: ++41 32 328 77 70
E-Mail: mail@hotelelite.ch
Homepage: www.hotelelite.ch

Hotel Mercure Plaza Biel** (Walking distance: 15 minutes to/from OFCOM)**

Neumarktstr. 40
CH-2502 Biel
Phone: ++41 32 328 68 68
Fax: ++41 32 328 68 69
E-mail: h6166@accor.com
Homepage: www.accorhotels.com

Hotel Continental "Best Western"** (Walking distance: 10 minutes to/from OFCOM)**

Aarbergstr. 29
CH-2502 Biel
Phone: ++41 32 327 27 27
Fax: ++41 32 327 27 26
E-Mail: info@continental-bienne.ch
Homepage: www.continental-bienne.ch

Please note that participants are required to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

Important

Wireless LAN

WLAN access will be provided in the meeting room.

Power plug adaptor

We would like to remind you that you may need a power plug adaptor for Switzerland.


