Things to know for new residents

Useful addresses for English speaking residents
Generally:

**A service of the Confederation, cantons and communes:**

- [online portal: ch.ch](http://ch.ch)

**New in Zurich:** information for new residents

**Information all around Switzerland**

- Swiss political system
- Swiss Confederation
- Federal Office for Migration
- Swiss Policy on European Union
- Work permits

**Associations in Zurich**

- [Migrant organisations of Zurich](http://www.migrantorganisation.ch)

**Bookshops**

- Orell Füssli
- [Pile of books](http://www.pileofbooks.ch)

**Cultural activities in Zurich**

- [Maps Agenda](http://www.mapsguide.ch)
- Kunsthart
- Museum Rietberg
- Community Centres (GZ)
- Zürich Tourismus

**House hunting**

- Instructions to find an apartment
  - anzeiger.ch
  - comparis.ch
  - flatfox.ch
homegate.ch
immoscout24.ch
nachmieter.ch
wohnungen-immobilien.ch
Links for the Real Estate Search
Mieterverband (Union of Tenants)

Insurances
Insurances by comparison

Libraries
Nebis
PBZ
Libraries with foreign-language media

For Parents
Advisory service for mothers and fathers
Office of Elementary Education
Nanny & Babysitting

Public transport/Mobility:
Timetable SBB
Zurich Public Transport
ZVV-Timetable
Zurich on foot – city walks

Recycling
Waste disposal, collection calender
The Welcome Desk of the Integration Office provides information and advice for new residents. The staff is specialized in questions which arise when arriving from abroad. It offers information on residence permits, work, leisure time activities, education, public day-care centres for children, health care and insurances, German courses etc. The service is free of charge, and no reservation is necessary.

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