

Press release

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Salt awarded “Achiever of the Year” by network test

For the second year in a row, Salt obtained the score “very good” for its mobile network and was qualified as “Achiever of the Year” by an independent network test.

On April 8th, 2020, Germany’s largest consumer portal CHIP and its network-testing partner NET CHECK published the results of their yearly mobile network test for Switzerland.

Salt with strongest improvements - investments pay off

Like last year, Salt’s mobile network was rated “very good” in all four categories – “Overall result”, “Mobile telephony”, “Mobile Internet” and “Intercity train coverage” – and received the total ranking of 1.2 (on a scale of 1 to 6, with 1 being the best rating).

Salt again achieved a significantly higher rating than in the previous year thanks to further improvements in voice quality and reliability of mobile data (downloads and uploads). Overall, of all three tested providers, Salt achieved the most substantial quality improvement on a year-on-year basis and therefore received the award “Achiever of the Year”.

World-class network quality throughout the country

The testing experts travelled in urban and rural areas across Switzerland carrying out tests by car, by train and walking. In particular, they visited seven major Swiss cities – Zurich, Geneva, Basel, Bern, Lausanne, Winterthur and Lugano – measuring mobile Internet and voice quality in large city hotspots to assess how well the networks cope with many users at the same time. All three tested mobile networks proved to be very robust and performed very well in terms of speed and availability compared with the other countries in the DACH region (Germany and Austria).

Pascal Grieder, CEO, commented the results: *“We are proud that our efforts to continuously improve the quality of our network are reflected in the test results. This ranking confirms our strategy of offering our customers a world-class network with the best value proposition on the Swiss market.”*

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About Salt: Salt is a Swiss telecommunications provider which owns and operates an extensive, high-quality mobile telecommunications network. With Start, Basic, Swiss, Europe, World, Young and Surf, Salt offers a comprehensive portfolio of personal, straightforward and efficient mobile flat rate subscriptions. At up to 1 Gbps and no extra costs, Salt customers can surf on the fastest available internet connection (4G+) – without any speed limitation. Salt's ultra-fast 4G+ network covers over 55% of the Swiss population and its 4G network covers even 99%. Thanks to its ultrafast broadband solution called Salt Fiber, Salt provides a unique triple play service, which for the first time in Switzerland takes full advantage of the optical fiber technology by means of symmetrical data transmission rates of up to 10 Gbit/s. Salt Fiber can be combined in a gainful way with Salt's powerful mobile flat rate subscriptions.

Salt in figures: 1,250,100 postpaid customers (as of 31.12.2019), 103 Salt Stores and 4G coverage of 99% of Switzerland's population.