Open Journey Planner (OJP)

Extended system task customer information (SKI+)

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1 What does OJP mean?

OJP has two meanings:

- 1. Standard CEN/TS 17118 "Open API for Distributed Journey Planning", which Delegated Regulation (EU 2017/1926) made binding for the Member States of the European Union.
- 2. The "Open Journey Planner" backend routing system for computing public transport routes, walking routes and other mobility offerings that the SKI office has implemented and continues to develop on behalf of the FOT in accordance with the standard referred to in point 1. The open OJP API is available via openmobilitydata.swiss.

In this document, the abbreviation "OJP" refers to the Open Journey Planner backend system.

2 What is the purpose of OJP?

OJP comprises various services that can be employed for multimodal journey planning systems and used via a standardised API.

The most important service is routing between two places. The service requires a start point and a destination as input. These can be any two places (e.g. coordinates, stops, addresses or points of interest "POI"). OJP then computes possible connections between the two locations. Routing currently comprises public transport connections including real-time data, plus walking routes and private transport routes for vehicle sharing services.

Routing is non-discriminatory, i.e. no mode of transport or operator is given preference over any other.

OJP services are highly available (see section 5, Availability) and can be used free of charge up to a certain volume (see section 5, Costs). If you require higher volumes, please contact opendata@sbb.ch.

All this makes OJP your complete, non-discriminatory journey planner of the future for Switzerland.

3 How is OJP used?

OJP services can be used to develop end-user applications. You retain full control of direct customer contact and user data.

what you get: high-availability, standardized API

what we do: data management and service provision what we do: a great app for end users

Figure 1: Data integration and consolidation upstream of OJP.

Various data sources are combined and consolidated upstream of OJP. This spares you the task of negotiating with data suppliers and the cost of integrating data sources (see Figure 1). OJP currently integrates the following data:

- Timetable data for all public transport in Switzerland, including real-time information and disruptions for individual transport operators.
- OpenStreetMap routes for private transport
- Elevation data for route calculations
- Vehicle sharing services (bike sharing, e-scooters, car sharing)
- Electric car charging points
- A large number of points of interest

4 What new features are in the pipeline?

A number of new features are in the pipeline, all of which contribute to the goal of providing users with a completely multimodal data resource. These include:

2022:

- Scheduled and unscheduled public transport incidents (e.g. route closures)
- Footpath closures and diversions
- Licensed on-demand services

From 2023:

- Additional information for disabled public transport users (Disability Discrimination Act)
- Timetables, operating times and real-time data for funiculars and cable cars
- All on-demand services

Some international timetables

5 Key data

Costs	50 requests per minute and API key free of charge; thereafter moderate charges, see: https://https://opentransportdata.swiss/en/limit-and-costs/
Availability	Service level 2a (99.5% availability, 7x24h)
Further information	https://opentransportdata.swiss/en/cookbook/open-journey-planner-ojp/

6 Technical description

Technical end point	https://api.opentransportdata.swiss/ojp2020
Instructions	https://opentransportdata.swiss/en/cookbook/open-journey-planner-ojp/

OJP provides an open, standardised API that can be used to retrieve and link various information services (LinkedServices). The current OJP standard (version 1.x) covers seven services. Our OJP implementation currently supports six of these. FareRequest (ticket price information) is currently not supported owing to a lack of data. The three most important services are:

- TripRequest: This is the actual routing service. When a start point and destination are entered (could be coordinates, an address, POI or stop), OJP computes connections linking the start point and destination. Routing comprises both public transport-based routing that takes account of current journey times and disruptions and map-based private transport routing using OpenStreetMap (OSM). If desired, you can use the LinkProjection output parameter to request the actual geographical routes and a TurnDescription (verbal navigation aid) is generally also available for walking routes. Different modes can be additionally requested with ModesToCover. The following modes are currently available:
 - Public transport
 - Walk
 - o Bicycle
 - o Car driven by user
 - Vehicle sharing services (bikes, e-scooters, car sharing)
- LocationInformationRequest: When a coordinate or address is entered, OJP determines the nearest stops and points of interest.
- StopEventRequest: Outputs the next departures/arrivals at a specific stop, for example to display them on an arrival/departure monitor.

Descriptions on how to use the OJP APIs are freely available in various languages in the Cookbook at https://opentransportdata.swiss. You are also very welcome to contact us at opendata@sbb.ch to discuss using OJP. We would be delighted to hear from you.

An open source demonstrator that includes a software development kit for the interface is available via https://opentdatach.github.io/ojp-demo-app/.

7 Summary of technical details in English

End point	https://api.opentransportdata.swiss/ojp2020
Access type	Fixed end point with XML request / response
Protocol	1.0 https://github.com/VDVde/OJP).
	For more information about the profile used and the capabilities see: https://github.com/openTdataCH/ojpch
User manual	https://opentransportdata.swiss/en/cookbook/open-journey-planner-ojp/
Demonstrator	https://opentdatach.github.io/ojp-demo-app/ (with source code and SDK)
Security	Bearer token (obtainable through https://opentransportdata.swiss/de/dev-dashboard/)
Limits	50 requests per minute and 20K requests per day per API key for free
	https://https://opentransportdata.swiss/en/limit-and-costs/
Availability	Service level 2a (99.5% availability, 7x24)
Status information	https://status.opentransportdata.swiss/
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