
I. DECLARATIONS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 1(L) OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004 AND THE DATE FROM WHICH THE REGULATION APPLIES

Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council has applied to the legislation listed below, insofar as it falls within the scope of that Regulation, since 1 May 2010, with the exceptions provided below. It is also the date from which the Regulation has applied in Poland.

II. LEGISLATION AND SOCIAL SECURITY BRANCHES REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 3 OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004 AND THE DATE FROM WHICH THE REGULATION APPLIES

1. Sickness benefits
   (i) Benefits in kind

   Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws (Dziennik Ustaw) 2016, item 1793, as amended)
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

   Important amendment:
The Act of 18 March 2016 amending the Act on health care benefits financed from public funds and certain other acts (Journal of Laws 2016, item 652) introduced free medicines for beneficiaries aged 75 or older. Apart from age, the Act does not provide any additional criteria to be met by patients in order to be entitled to free medicines. Under the Act, beneficiaries aged 75 or older are entitled to free medicines, foods for particular nutritional uses and medical devices included in a list announced by the minister responsible for health.
   - date of entry into force: 12 June 2016

   (ii) Cash benefits

      http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1
      [rules applicable to the sickness cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]
      In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

   2) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)
      http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277
Article 9(2), and Articles 14 and 15a [sickness benefit]

Important amendment:
The Act on social security cash benefits in case of illness and maternity amended Article 14(4) and (5) of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 in respect of medical certificates.

- date of entry into force: 1 January 2016

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19740240141,

Article 92 [remuneration for the time when employees are incapacitated for work due to illness]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000887&min=1

[rules applicable to the sickness cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]

In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

5) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277

[pension for farmers incapacitated for work, together with allowances]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19990600636

Chapter 2 Sickness benefit [sickness benefit]
Chapter 3 Rehabilitation benefit [rehabilitation benefit]
Chapter 4 Compensatory benefit [compensatory benefit]
Chapter 7 Care allowance [care allowance]

2. Maternity and equivalent paternity benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)

[maternity benefits]
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1

[rules applicable to the maternity and equivalent paternity cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]
In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

2) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277
Article 18(7) and Article 35a [maternity benefit]

Important amendment:

- date of entry into force: 1 January 2016

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19740240141
Part VIII Employees’ parenthood rights [maternity benefit]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19990600636
Chapter 6 Maternity benefit [maternity benefit]

3. Invalidity benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1
[rules applicable to the invalidity cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU2016000887&min=1
Part III Chapter 1 Pension for incapacity for work [pensions for incapacity for work and training allowances]
Part IV Supplements to retirement pensions and other pensions, Article 75 [attendance allowance]
Part VI Special benefits [special pensions for incapacity for work granted by the Prime Minister or President of the Social Insurance Institution]
In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.
3) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277
[pension for farmers incapacitated for work, together with allowances]

4) Act of 10 December 1993 on retirement benefits for professional soldiers and their families
(codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1037)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001037

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000708

6) Act of 28 November 2014 on medical committees subordinate to the minister responsible for internal affairs (Journal of Laws 2014, item 1822)
- date of entry into force: 1 January 2015
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20140001822

4. Old-age benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)
Article 66(1)(16)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1
[rules applicable to the retirement pension cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000887&min=1
Part II Retirement pensions [retirement pensions for persons born after 31 December 1948, retirement pensions for persons born before 1 January 1949, retirement pensions for certain persons born after 31 December 1948 and before 1 January 1969 and miners’ retirement pensions]
Part IV Supplements to retirement pensions and other pensions, Article 75 [attendance allowance]
Part VI Special benefits [special retirement pensions granted by the Prime Minister or President of the Social Insurance Institution]
Article 184 [retirement pension for persons born after 31 December 1948 engaged in work in special conditions or work of a special nature]
Important amendment:
The Act of 16 November 2016 amending the Act on retirement pensions and other

- **date of entry into force:** 1 October 2017
  

In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

3) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)


- [farmers’ retirement pension (partial farmers’ retirement pension and periodic farmers’ retirement pension) under the above Act, together with allowances](http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277)


- [rules applicable to the retirement pension cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration](http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000291)


- **Chapter 2 Types of funded pensions [periodic funded pension]**


- **Article 88 [retirement pension for teachers regardless of age]**


- **Article 137 [retirement pensions for academic staff]**


10) Act of 28 November 2014 on medical committees subordinate to the minister responsible for internal affairs (Journal of Laws 2014, item 1822)

- **date of entry into force:** 1 January 2015


- **Articles 69 to 73 and 100 to 102**


12) Act of 28 January 2016 – Law on public prosecutor’s offices (Journal of Laws 2016, item 177, as amended)

- **Article 127(1)**

5. **Survivors’ benefits**

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)

Article 66(1)(16)

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits


http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1

[rules applicable to the survivors’ cash benefits paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]


http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000887&min=1

Part III Chapter 2 Survivors’ benefit [survivors’ benefits]
Part IV Supplements to retirement pensions and other pensions, Article 75 [attendance allowance], Article 76 [allowance for orphans]
Part VI Special benefits [special survivors’ benefits granted by the Prime Minister or President of the Social Insurance Institution]

In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

3) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277

[survivors’ benefit under the above Act, together with allowances]


http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20082371656

Article 18 [survivors’ benefits and allowance for orphans]


http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001037


http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000708


Articles 69 to 73 and 100 to 102

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160002062

8) Act of 28 January 2016 – Law on public prosecutor’s offices (Journal of Laws 2016, item 177, as amended)

Article 127(1)

• date of entry into force: 4 March 2016

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000177
6. Benefits in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1
[rules applicable to the cash benefits in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]

2) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU2016000277
Article 9(1) and Articles 10 to 13 [one-off compensation for accidents during agricultural work or farmers’ occupational diseases]

3) Act of 30 October 2002 on social insurance in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases (codified text, Journal of Laws 2015, item 1242, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20150001242
Chapter 2 Types of benefits in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases, conditions for acquiring the right to the benefits, rules and procedure for granting the benefits, determining their amounts and paying them [sickness benefit, rehabilitation benefit, compensatory benefit, one-off compensation, pension for incapacity for work, training allowance, survivors’ benefit, allowance for orphans, attendance allowance and benefit to cover the costs of dental treatment, preventive vaccination and supply of orthopaedic equipment to the extent specified in the Act]
In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19740240141
[rules applicable to the cash benefits in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]

6) Act of 19 August 2011 on the activities of veterans outside Poland (Journal of Laws No 205, item 1203)
• date of entry into force: 30 March 2012
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20112051203
Chapter 6 Allowance for injured veterans [allowance for injured veterans]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU19990600636,
Chapter 2 Sickness benefit [sickness benefit]
Chapter 3 Rehabilitation benefit [rehabilitation benefit]
Chapter 4 Compensatory benefit [compensatory benefit]
In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001037

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000708

10) Act of 28 November 2014 on medical committees subordinate to the minister responsible for internal affairs (Journal of Laws 2014, item 1822)
   - date of entry into force: 1 January 2015
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20140001822

7. Death grants

Cash benefits

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000963&min=1
   [rules applicable to the death grants in cash paid by the Social Insurance Institution listed in this declaration]

2) Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990 (Journal of Laws 2016, item 277, as amended)
   Article 18(6) and Article 35 [funeral grant]
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000277

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000887&min=1
   Part V Funeral grant [funeral grant]
   In accordance with Article 52 of the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act of 20 December 1990, the above Act applies in matters not regulated by the Farmers’ Social Insurance Act.

4) Pre-Retirement Benefits Act of 30 April 2004 (codified text, Journal of Laws 2013, item 170, as amended)
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20130000170&min=1
   Article 10 [funeral grant]

   entry into force: 1 January 2009
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20082371656
   Article 20 [funeral grant]

6) Teachers’ Compensatory Benefits Act of 22 May 2009 (Journal of Laws 2009, No 97, item 800, as amended)
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20090970800
   Article 12 [funeral grant]

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20130000982&min=1
   Article 12a [funeral grant]
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001037

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000708

Articles 69 to 73 and 100 to 102
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160002062

Article 127(1)
• date of entry into force: 4 March 2016
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU2016000177

8. Unemployment benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)
Article 66(1)(24) to (24a)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits

Act of 20 April 2004 on employment promotion and labour market institutions (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 645)
Chapter 15
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000645

9. Pre-retirement benefits

Cash benefits

1) Pre-Retirement Benefits Act of 30 April 2004 (codified text, Journal of Laws 2013, item 170, as amended)
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20130000170&min=1
Article 2 [pre-retirement benefit]

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20082371656
Article 4 [bridging pensions]
Article 19 [attendance allowance]
3) Teachers’ Compensatory Benefits Act of 22 May 2009 (Journal of Laws 2009, No 97, item 800, as amended)  
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20090970800  
Articles 3 and 4 [teachers’ compensatory benefits]  
Article 11 [attendance allowance]

10. Family benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

Act of 27 August 2004 on health care benefits financed from public funds (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 1793, as amended)  
Article 66(1)(28) to (28b)  
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20042102135

(ii) Cash benefits

http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001518

Important amendment:  
The Act of 24 July 2015 amending the Family Benefits Act and certain other acts (Journal of Laws 2015, item 1217) introduced a new family benefit: a parental benefit of PLN 1 000 for the mother of a child. The father may receive the parental benefit if the period of collection of the benefit has been reduced at the request of the mother, who has received that benefit for at least 14 weeks after the birth of the child, the mother has died or has abandoned the child. The parental benefit is not granted if at least one parent receives a maternity allowance or remuneration for the period indicated in the Labour Code as the period of maternity leave, the period of additional maternity leave, the period of a leave on conditions of maternity leave, the period of an additional leave on conditions of maternity leave or the period of parental leave.  
• date of entry into force: 1 January 2016  
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20150001217

2) Act of 17 February 2016 on state assistance in children’s upbringing (Journal of Laws 2016, item 195)

New legislation:  
The Act of 17 February 2016 introduced a child benefit (500+), which may be received by the parents, or legal or actual guardians until the child is 18 years old. Parents are entitled to receive PLN 500 for the second child and each child thereafter regardless of their income. The following income criterion must be met to receive support for the first or only child: PLN 800 net per person in the family (PLN 1 200 net per person in a family with a disabled child). The benefit is paid regardless of the marital status of the parents. For divorced parents, the benefit is paid to the parent who actually takes care of the child.  
• date of entry into force: 1 April 2016  
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU2016000195
3) Act of 4 November 2016 on support for pregnant women and ‘Pro-Life’ families (Journal of Laws 2016, item 1860)

New legislation:
During the meeting of the Administrative Commission on 14 and 15 December 2016, the Polish delegation presented its note 933/16 in point XVI ‘miscellaneous amendments’. The Polish delegation requested that the ‘POLAND’ section in Part II ‘Special childbirth and adoption allowances’ of Annex I be supplemented to include a one-off benefit for the birth of a child diagnosed with a severe and irreversible disability or a terminal life-threatening disease which arose in the prenatal period of that child’s development or during labour, apart from the single payment birth grant (Family Benefits Act) already listed in the above Annex I. As the other delegations had no reservations, Poland’s request to amend Annex I was approved by the Administrative Commission.
• date of entry into force: 1 January 2017
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001860

11. Special non-contributory cash benefits

a) special non-contributory cash benefits intended to provide a minimum subsistence income, pursuant to Article 70(2)(a)(i) of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004
Cash benefits
None

b) special non-contributory cash benefits intended to provide solely specific protection for persons with disabilities, linked to these persons’ social environment, pursuant to Article 70(2)(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004
Cash benefits
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20130000982&min=1
Articles 2 and 4 [social pension]

III. CONVENTIONS CONCLUDED, AS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 8(2) OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004 AND THE DATE FROM WHICH THE REGULATION APPLIES

Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council has applied to the conventions listed below, insofar as they fall within the scope of that Regulation, since 1 May 2010, with the exceptions provided below. It is also the date from which the Regulation has applied in Poland.

None
IV. MINIMUM BENEFITS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 58 OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004

Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council has applied to the minimum benefits listed below, insofar as they fall within the scope of that Regulation, since 1 May 2010, with the exceptions provided below. It is also the date from which the Regulation has applied in Poland.

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000887&min=1
   Articles 85 and 87

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160001037

   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000708

   Articles 69 to 73 and 100 to 102
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160002062

5) Act of 28 January 2016 – Law on public prosecutor’s offices (Journal of Laws 2016, item 177, as amended)
   Article 127(1)
   • date of entry into force: 4 March 2016
   http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000177

V. POSSIBILITY FOR ANY CATEGORY OF SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS TO BE COVERED BY AN UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS SYSTEM (ARTICLE 65A(1) OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004), WITH REFERENCE TO THE LEGISLATION IN THE CASES TO WHICH IT APPLIES

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OR

Polish legislation provides for the possibility of self-employed persons to be covered by an unemployment insurance system.

Act of 20 April 2004 on employment promotion and labour market institutions (codified text, Journal of Laws 2016, item 645)
Chapter 15
http://isap.sejm.gov.pl/DetailsServlet?id=WDU20160000645