

Declaration by the Republic of Latvia pursuant to Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the coordination of social security systems for the reporting year ending on 31 December 2020

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

Regulation No 883/2004 has applied to the following items of national legislation (in so far as they fall within its scope) since 1 May 2010. This is also the date from which the Regulation has applied to Latvia.

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

1. Sickness benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

Law of 12 June 1997 on medical treatment

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* [Official Gazette] No 167/168 of 1 July 1997;

Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;

Cabinet Regulation No 850 of 1 November 2011 establishing the statute of the National Health Service

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 178 (4576) of 10 November 2011;

Cabinet Regulation No 899 of 31 October 2006 on procedures for reimbursing the cost of acquiring medicinal products and medical devices for out-patient medical care

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 180 (3548) of 9 November 2006;

Law of 14 December 2017 on financing of healthcare

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 159 (6086) of 31 December 2017;

Cabinet Regulation No 555 of 28 August 2018 on healthcare organisation and payment procedures

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 176 (6262) of 5 September 2018.

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;
- *Law of 6 November 1995 on maternity and sickness insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 182 of 23 November 1995;
 - Article 12.¹ of Law of 31 October 2002 on State social benefits
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 168 of 19 November 2002;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 270 of 28 July 1998 on the procedure for calculating the average wage on which insurance contributions are based and arrangements for awarding, calculating and paying State social insurance benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 223/224 of 31 July 1998;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001, entered into force on 14 June 2001;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 152 of 3 April 2001 on the procedure for issuing certificates of incapacity for work*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 56 of 6 April 2001;
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 1608 of 22 December 2009 laying down the procedure for allocating and paying an allowance to a disabled person who needs care, the amount of the allowance and the procedure for reviewing it*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 204 (4190) of 29 December 2009;

2. Maternity and equivalent paternity benefits

(I) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;

- *Law of 6 November 1995 on maternity and sickness insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 182 of 23 November 1995;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 270 of 28 July 1998 on the procedure for calculating the average wage on which insurance contributions are based and arrangements for awarding, calculating and paying State social insurance benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 223/224 of 31 July 1998;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001, entered into force on 14 June 2001;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 152 of 3 April 2001 on the procedure for issuing certificates of incapacity for work*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 56 of 6 April 2001;

3. Invalidity benefits

(I) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;
- *Law of 2 November 1995 on State pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 182 of 23 November 1995;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 165 of 23 April 2002 on arrangements for proving, calculating and recording periods of insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 64 of 26 April 2002;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 398 of 15 July 2014 laying down rules for reviewing the amounts of State pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 138 of 17 July 2014;
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 542 of 27 June 2006 on arrangements for the payment of State pensions awarded in the Republic of Latvia to persons who leave the country to take up permanent residence abroad*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 102 of 30 June 2006;

- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001, entered into force on 14 June 2001;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 427 of 5 July 2016 on the terms and conditions of, and procedures for, the allocation, re-calculation and payment of the State pension*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 129 of 7 July 2016;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 1024 of 16 December 2008 **laying down rules on monthly supplements to old-age and disability pensions***
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 87 of 28 December 2009;

4. Old-age benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;
- *Law of 2 November 1995 on State pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 182 of 23 November 1995;
 - *Law of 17 February 2000 on State-funded pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 78/87 of 8 March 2000;
- *Law of 17 June 2004 on retirement pensions of State and local government professional orchestra, choir, concert organisation, theatre and circus artists and the allowance for the creative work of ballet artists*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 106 of 7 July 2004;
- *Law of 13 May 1999 on prosecutors' retirement pensions*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 181 of 3 June 1999;
- *Law of 22 June 2006 on judges' retirement pensions*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 107 of 7 July 2006;

- *Law of 2 November 2006 on diplomats' retirement pensions*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 183 of 15 November 2006;
- *Law of 2 April 1998 on the retirement pensions of employees of the Interior Ministry system with special service ranks*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 100/101 of 16 April 1998
- *Law of 2 October 2008 on the retirement pensions of officials of the Anti-Corruption Office*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 164 of 22 October 2008;
- *Law of 8 July 2015 on the retirement pensions of employees of the State Emergency Medical Service involved in ensuring emergency medical assistance*
- [Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 140 of 21 July 2015;
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- *Cabinet Regulation No 205 of 27 March 2007 on arrangements for calculating the wage index for insurance contributions and for the adjustment of old-age pension entitlements*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 54 of 30 March 2007;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 1445 of 10 December 2013 laying down rules on the projected old-age pension payment periods applicable to the calculation of old-age pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 250 of 20 December 2013;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 165 of 23 April 2002 on arrangements for proving, calculating and recording periods of insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 64 of 26 April 2002;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 398 of 15 July 2014 laying down rules for reviewing the amounts of State pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 138 of 17 July 2014;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 542 of 27 June 2006 on arrangements for the payment of State pensions awarded in the Republic of Latvia to persons who leave the country to take up permanent residence abroad*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 102 of 30 June 2006;

- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 601 of 27 December 2002 on the procedure for covering the costs of pensions for politically repressed persons from the general State budget*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 190 of 30 December 2002;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 579 of 3 December 2019 laying down rules on the minimum amounts of old-age pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 245 of 5 December 2019;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 184 of 30 April 2019 **laying down rules on monthly supplements to old-age and disability pensions***
- *[Latvijas Vēstnesis](#) No 87 of 2 May 2019 *Cabinet Regulation No 1023 of 16 December 2008 on the transfer of pension capital to and from the European Union pension scheme**
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 198 of 19 December 2019;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 272 of 27 May 2003 laying down the rules of operation for the State-funded pension scheme*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 82 of 3 June 2003;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 427 of 5 July 2016 on the terms and conditions of, and procedures for, the allocation, re-calculation and payment of the State pension*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 129 of 7 July 2016;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 765 of 19 December 2017 on the procedure governing how the manager of funds in a State-funded pension scheme calculates the payment for management of the investment plan and the procedure governing the recording and stoppage of this payment*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 254 of 21 December 2017.*

5. Survivors' benefits

(I) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;*
- *Law of 2 November 1995 on State pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 182 of 23 November 1995;*
 - *Law of 17 February 2000 on State-funded pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 78/87 of 8 March 2000;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 971 of 20 December 2005 on arrangements for transferring resources from the general budget to the special State pension budget to cover expenditure on survivors' pensions*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 206 of 23 December 2005;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 205 of 27 March 2007 on arrangements for calculating the wage index for insurance contributions and for the adjustment of old-age pension entitlements*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 54 of 30 March 2007;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 1445 of 10 December 2013 laying down rules on the projected old-age pension payment periods applicable to the calculation of old-age pensions*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 250 of 20 December 2013;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 165 of 23 April 2002 on arrangements for proving, calculating and recording periods of insurance*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 64 of 26 April 2002;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 398 of 15 July 2014 laying down rules for reviewing the amounts of State pensions*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 138 of 17 July 2014;*
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 542 of 27 June 2006 on arrangements for the payment of State pensions awarded in the Republic of Latvia to persons who leave the country to take up permanent residence abroad*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 102 of 30 June 2006;*

- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001, entered into force on 14 June 2001;
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 601 of 27 December 2002 on the procedure for covering the costs of pensions for politically repressed persons from the general State budget*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 190 of 30 December 2002;
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 272 of 27 May 2003 laying down the rules of operation for the State-funded pension scheme*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 82 of 3 June 2003;
 - *Cabinet Regulation No 156 of 21 March 2017 on the minimum amount of survivors' pensions, survivors' benefits and State social insurance benefits in the case of survivors' benefits, and the procedure for review thereof*
 - *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 61 of 23 March 2017;

6. Benefits in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases

(I) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;
- *Law of 2 November 1995 on compulsory social insurance against accidents at work and occupational diseases*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 179 of 17 November 1995;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 50 of 16 February 1999 laying down arrangements for the award and calculation of compensation in the context of compulsory social insurance against accidents at work and occupational diseases*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 48/49 of 19 February 1999;

- *Cabinet Regulation No 908 of 6 November 2006 on the procedure for investigating and recording occupational diseases*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 180 of 9 November 2006;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 950 of 25 August 2009 on the procedure for investigating and recording accidents at work*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 137 (4123) of 28 August 2009;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 378 of 23 August 2001 on arrangements for the calculation, financing and payment of compensation in respect of injuries sustained at work*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 123 of 29 August 2001;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001;*

7. Death grants

Benefits in cash

- *Law of 2 November 1995 on State pensions*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 182 of 23 November 1995;*
- *Law of 25 November 1999 on unemployment insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 416/419 of 15 December 1999;*
- *Law of 2 November 1995 on compulsory social insurance against accidents at work and occupational diseases*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 179 of 17 November 1995;*
- *Law of 6 November 1995 on maternity and sickness insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 182 of 23 November 1995;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 866 of 21 October 2008 on arrangements for calculating the average wage on which insurance contributions are based for the purposes of determining the level of*

unemployment benefit and arrangements for awarding, calculating and paying unemployment and death benefits

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 167 of 28 October 2008;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 50 of 16 February 1999 laying down arrangements for the award and calculation of compensation in the context of compulsory social insurance against accidents at work and occupational diseases*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 48/49 of 19 February 1999;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 270 of 28 July 1998 on the procedure for calculating the average wage on which insurance contributions are based and arrangements for awarding, calculating and paying State social insurance benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 223/224 of 31 July 1998;

8. Unemployment benefits

(I) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;
- *Law of 25 November 1999 on unemployment insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 416/419 of 15 December 1999;
- *Law of 9 May 2002 on support for unemployed persons and persons seeking employment (Chapter III, status of unemployed person)*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 80 of 29 May 2002;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 866 of 21 October 2008 on arrangements for calculating the average wage on which insurance contributions are based for the purposes of determining the level of unemployment benefit and arrangements for awarding, calculating and paying unemployment and death benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 167 of 28 October 2008;

- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001, entered into force on 14 June 2001;

9. Pre-retirement benefits

(i) Benefits in cash

None

10. Family benefits

(I) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

- *Law of 1 October 1997 on State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 274/276 of 21 October 1997;
- *Articles 6, 7 and 7.¹ of the Law of 31 October 2002 on State social benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 168 of 19 November 2002;
- *Law of 6 November 1995 on maternity and sickness insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 182 of 23 November 1995;

Cabinet Regulation No 1609 of 22 December 2009 laying down rules governing the level of child benefit and the child benefit supplement and parental benefit in the event of a multiple birth, procedures for the review thereof and arrangements for the award and payment of the benefit and the supplement

- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 204 of 29 December 2009;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 1517 of 22 December 2009 on State family benefit and supplements to State family benefit*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 203 of 28 December 2009;

- *Cabinet Regulation No 270 of 28 July 1998 on the procedure for calculating the average wage on which insurance contributions are based and arrangements for awarding, calculating and paying State social insurance benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 223/224 of 31 July 1998;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 230 of 5 June 2001 laying down rules on compulsory contributions in respect of State social insurance from the general State budget and from special budgets for State social insurance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 91/2478 of 13 June 2001
- *Cabinet Regulation No 1607 of 22 December 2009 on the amount of the care allowance for a disabled child, the procedure for review thereof and the procedure for allocating and paying the benefit*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 204/4190 of 29 December 2009;

11. Special non-contributory cash benefits

Benefits in cash

- a) **Special non-contributory cash benefits intended to provide a minimum subsistence income in accordance with Article 70(2)(a)(i) of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004**

Benefits in cash

- *Articles 3, 13 and 14 of the Law of 31 October 2002 on State social benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 168 of 19 November 2002;
- *Cabinet Regulation No 1605 of 22 December 2009 laying down rules governing the level of State social insurance benefits and death benefits, procedures for reviewing the level of such benefits and arrangements for the award and payment thereof*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis* No 204 (4190) of 29 December 2009;
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- b) **Special non-contributory cash benefits intended to provide protection for the disabled in respect of the social environment in accordance with Article 70(2)(a)(ii) of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004**

Benefits in cash

- *Article 12 of the Law of 31 October 2002 on State social benefits*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 168 of 19 November 2002;*
- *Cabinet Regulation No 1606 of 22 December 2009 laying down rules governing the level of the transport allowance paid to disabled persons with restricted mobility, procedures for the review thereof and arrangements for the award and payment of the allowance*
- *Latvijas Vēstnesis No 204 (4190) of 29 December 2009;*

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

None

IV. MINIMUM BENEFIT REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 58 OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004 AND DATE FROM WHICH THE REGULATION APPLIES

The Latvian competent authority, as the authority of the place of residence, pays a supplement equal to the difference between the total of the benefits and the minimum benefit in the following cases:

(1) where entitlement to a pension in the case of group III invalidity arises with respect to not only periods of insurance in Latvia but also periods of insurance in other Member States. The minimum monthly pension is equal to the State social security benefit;

(2) where entitlement to a pension in the case of group I or II invalidity arises with respect to not only periods of insurance in Latvia but also periods of insurance in other Member States, and if the person was not covered for invalidity during the five year period before invalidity was determined.

The minimum monthly pension in the case of group I is 1.6 times the State social security benefit.

If not covered for invalidity before invalidity was determined

The minimum monthly pension in the case of group II is 1.4 times the State social security benefit.

Regulation No 883/2004 has applied to the minimum amounts referred to below since 1 May 2010. This is the date from which the Regulation has applied in Latvia.

V. POSSIBILITY OF ANY CATEGORIES OF SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS JOINING AN UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT SCHEME - ARTICLE 65A(1) OF REGULATION (EC) NO 883/2004 - AND REFERENCE TO THESE ITEMS OF LEGISLATION

LATVIAN LAW DOES NOT ALLOW ANY CATEGORIES OF SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS TO JOIN AN UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT SCHEME.