Social Security in Malta

AN OVERVIEW



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Some practical information about the Maltese Social Security system and on the application of the EU Social Security Regulations.

Getting Insured

Once you receive a job offer in Malta, you can apply online to obtain your Social Security number through the following link:

<u>https://socialsecurity.gov.mt/en/information-and-applications-for-benefits-and-services/registration-for-a-social-security-number/</u>

Alternatively, you may also call at the nearest Servizz.gov hub in your locality of residence a list of which is available here:

https://www.servizz.gov.mt/en/Pages/Servizz/Locations/default.aspx

Contributions Rates Employed

Employed persons pay social security contributions according to their weekly wage as below:

Weekly Wage (€)		Deduction Rate	
From	То	Employee	Employer
213.55	532.28	10%	10%
532.29	and over	53.23	53.23

For other rates you may wish to visit the following link:

https://cfr.gov.mt/en/rates/Pages/SSC1/SSC1-2024.aspx

Contributions Rates Self-Occupied

Self-Occupied persons pay their social security contributions according to their net income:

Annual Net Income (€)		Contribution Rate per Week	
From	То		
910	12,029	34.70	
12,030	27,679	15% of the annual net income	
27,680	and over	79.84	

For further details you may visit the following link:

https://cfr.gov.mt/en/rates/Pages/SSC2/SSC2-2024.aspx



Claiming a Benefit

Sickness Benefits (in cash)

Application is lodged by means of a blue medical certificate from the treating doctor

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Evidence of insurance periods for sickness benefit purposes is exchanged between Member States electronically

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Unemployment Benefits

Unemployed person should register as a jobseeker with the employment authority of the country of last activity (Jobsplus)

The systems triggers an automatic claim for benefits to the Department of Social Security

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After the lapse of 4 weeks, a jobseeker may opt to export benefit to another EU country.

Claiming a Benefit

Family Benefits – Children's Allowance

An application for Family Benefits can be lodged through the following link:

https://socialsecurity.gov.mt/en/information-and-applications-forbenefits-and-services/family-benefits/

Family Benefits – Children's Allowance

Provided by the state of employment even if the family lives in another Member State.

Families earning more than €27,006 annually are paid €840 per child annually including a €390 annual supplement.

Families earning less than €27,006 are paid a rate ranging from a minimum of €450 up to a maximum of €1252.16 per year for each child under 16 years. Supplement amounts to €410 annually.

Other benefits such as Childbirth Bonus and Education Grant are also payable.

If entitlement arises in more than 1 Member State, EU Regulations (883/2004 and 987/2009) are applied.

Maternity Benefit and Maternity Leave Benefit

Maternity/Adoption Benefit is payable to mothers ordinarily resident in Malta who did not benefit from paid maternity leave from the employer or when the mother is self-occupied.

Maternity/Adoption Benefit is payable for 14 weeks at €213.54 for a self-occupied person and €132.05 for any other person.

Maternity/Adoption Leave Benefit is payable only to persons engaged in a gainful activity (employed or self-occupied)

Maternity/Adoption Leave Benefit is paid for 4 weeks at €213.54 thus extending the maternity leave period to a total of 18 weeks.

Claiming a Benefit

Industrial Injuries

An injury report is available at:

<u>https://socialsecurity.gov.mt/en/information-and-applications-for-benefits-and-services/medical-assistance/injury-on-duty-grant-pension/</u>

The report must be endorsed by a witness.

Conditions for Entitlement

Any person insured under the Maltese social security scheme is covered for Industrial Injuries even if the injury occurs on the first day of work.

Pensions (Old-Age/Survivors'/Invalidity)

Application to be lodged in the state of residence and sent to each Member State of employment.

Each state pays a rate of pension according to length of insurance under their scheme (could be a non-pro rata rate).

More than 1 year insurance required.

Example: 10 years in Malta – 15 years in France – 15 years in Italy:

Malta 10/40 – France 15/40 – Italy 15/40

Moving within Europe - which country will pay my old-age pension?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Re7ILY9DIv8

Useful Forms

When moving from one Member State to another

Contact the social security institution in the state of employment to issue the following:

U1 – Certification of Insurance Periods for Unemployment Benefit purposes

In order to apply for this form from the Department of Social Security in Malta, you can download the application form through the following links:

Application for U1 Document:

<u>https://socialsecurity.gov.mt/en/information-and-applications-for-</u> <u>benefits-and-services/bilateral-agreements/certification-of-insurance/</u>

Useful Forms

U1 Document

Certification of Insurance/Employment periods completed in an EU Member State



(*) Regulations (EC) No 883/2004, articles 51 and 52, and 987/2009 article 54 (1 and 2).
(**) Information given to the institution by the holder when this is not known by the institution.

Remember!

Keep a record of your social security number

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LEIDEN, 2312 DR NETHERLANDS

Date: 06/10/2022 Document Reference Number: Identity Card Number:

Certificate of Registration

I am pleased to inform you that you have been registered under the Social Security Act (Cap. 318.) of the Laws of Malta.

Your registration number is XXXX It is to be quoted in all correspondence and claims you make in future, related to Social Security benefits.

It is very important to know that this Certificate of Registration on its own will not give you any right to benefits and unless you pay Social Security contributions as required by the aforementioned Act, you would not be considered as an insured person.

You must update your Banking and Contact Details by visiting mysocialsecurity.gov.mt website.

For more information.....

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