

Declaration by the Kingdom of the Netherlands pursuant to Article SSC.59(1) of the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement for the reference year ending 31 December 2021.

To be notified to the Specialised Committee on Social Security Coordination.

I. Declarations referred to in Article SSC.1 (q) of the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement and the date from which the Protocol will apply:

None

II. Legislation referred to in Article SSC.3(1) of the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement and the date from which the Protocol will apply

1. Sickness benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

a) Long-term Care Act (*Wet langdurige zorg/Wlz*)

- Act of 3 December 2014 laying down rules on insurance for the care of persons reliant on long-term care.
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

b) Healthcare Insurance Act (*Zorgverzekeringswet/Zvw*)

- Act of 16 June 2005 establishing a social insurance scheme for medical care for the general population
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

(ii) Benefits in cash

a) Employer obligation to continue payment of wages in the event of sickness

- Under Article 629 of Book 7 of the Civil Code, employers have an obligation to continue paying at least 70% of wages for a period of 104 weeks if an employee is unable to perform the work agreed on account of sickness.
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

b) Sickness Benefits Act (*Ziektewet/ZW*)

- Act of 5 June 1913 on sickness insurance for workers
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

c) Care Allowance Act (*Wet op de zorgtoeslag*)

- Act of 16 June 2005 laying down rules on entitlement to financial assistance with medical insurance contributions for persons on a low income.
- The care allowance is intended to help pay insurance contributions or cover services required on account of sickness.
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

2. Maternity and equivalent paternity benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

Work and Care Act (*Wet arbeid en zorg*)

- Act of 16 November 2001 laying down rules to establish a new balance between work and care in the broadest sense
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

3. Invalidity benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

a) Act on Work and Income according to Working Capacity (*Wet werk en inkomen naar arbeidsvermogen/WIA*)

- Act of 10 November 2005 to promote the performance of work in accordance with capacity, or the resumption of work, by insured persons with reduced capacity to work, and to establish a scheme for income for such persons and for insured persons who are totally and permanently unfit for work
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

b) Act on Insurance against Incapacity for Work (*Wet op de arbeidsongeschiktheidsverzekering/ WAO*)

- Act of 18 February 1966 on insurance against incapacity for work
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

c) Act on Insurance against Incapacity for Work for Self-Employed Persons (*Wet arbeidsongeschiktheids-verzekering zelfstandigen/WAZ*)

- Act of 24 April 1997 on insurance against the financial consequences of long-term incapacity for work and a maternity benefit scheme for self-employed workers, professionals and assisting spouses
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

4. Old-age benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

a) General Old-Age Insurance Act (*Algemene Ouderdomswet/AOW*)

- Act of 31 May 1956 on general old-age insurance
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

b) Provisional AOW Bridging Order (*Tijdelijke overbruggingsregeling AOW / OBR*)

- Order of the State Secretary for Social Affairs and Employment of 31 May 2013 establishing a provisional bridging scheme for the period between the termination of supplementary benefits and the date a person receives the state pension under the General Old-Age Insurance Act (AOW)
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

5. Survivors' benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

a) General Surviving Relatives Act (*Algemene Nabestaandenwet/ANW*)

- Act of 21 December 1995 establishing a survivors' insurance
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

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

No specific legislation. Risks are covered by invalidity and sickness benefits.

(i) Benefits in kind

(ii) Benefits in cash

7. Death grants

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

None

8. Unemployment benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

a) Unemployment Benefits Act (*Werkloosheidswet/WW*)

- Act of 6 November 1986 on the insurance of employees against the financial consequences of unemployment
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

b) Income Support (Older Unemployed Workers) Act (*Wet inkomensvoorziening oudere werklozen (IOW)*)

- Act of 19 June 2008 laying down rules for income support for older unemployed workers
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

c) Income Support (Older and Partially Incapacitated Unemployed Workers) Act (*Wet inkomensvoorziening oudere en gedeeltelijk arbeidsongeschikte werkloze werknemers / IOAW*)

- Act of 6 November 1986 establishing income support for older and partially incapacitated unemployed workers who have ceased to be entitled to benefit under the Unemployment Benefits Act
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

d) Income Support (Older and Partially Incapacitated Formerly Self-Employed Persons) Act (*Wet inkomensvoorziening oudere en gedeeltelijk arbeidsongeschikte gewezen zelfstandigen / IOAZ*)

- Act of 11 June 1987 providing for income support for older and partially incapacitated formerly self-employed persons whose income is permanently below the social minimum and who as a result have ceased business or occupation
- Covered by the Protocol on Social Security Coordination to the Trade and Cooperation Agreement since 1 January 2021.

9. Pre-retirement benefits

(i) Benefits in kind

None

(ii) Benefits in cash

None