

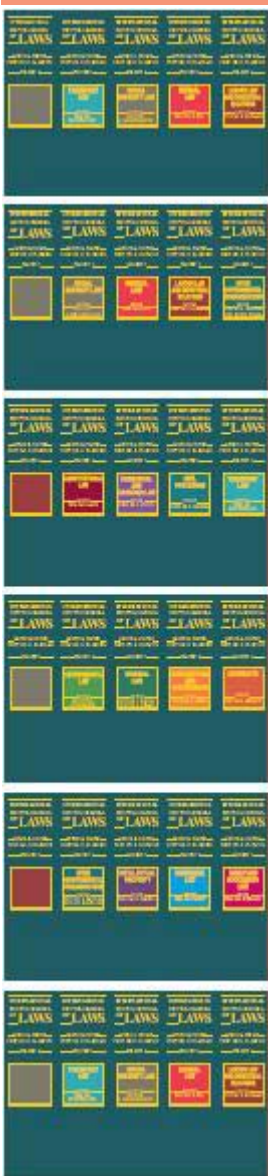
## Social Security Law

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Social security is a major institution of all industrialized societies. Its purpose is to protect the population from serious health and financial risk; to achieve this goal, social security law regulates the relations between enterprises and other economic entities on the one hand, and families and individuals on the other. This regulation is typically accomplished through a complex network of public and private institutions operating under national law.

This set in the *International Encyclopaedia of Laws* provides profound information on the different social security schemes in the various countries. The basic ideas and mechanisms of each scheme are described in an easily comprehensible way. The legal mechanisms of the following areas of social protection are covered in each monograph: health care, employment injuries and occupational diseases, sickness benefits, pensions, unemployment and family benefits.

Due to the fact that a similar structure of text is used for every country, the main differences between the various national social security systems is clearly underlined. Law enforcements, controls and appeals receive special attention.

A group of international monographs explains the role of international organizations in setting norms for social security systems and in coordinating existing systems in cases involving migrant workers and others to whom more than one national scheme may be applicable. An international social security law codex provides the main international texts, in English, that regulate social security. The most relevant cases from the ECJ are also included.

The monograph is regularly updated with experts in the field of social security law providing theoretical and practical information concerning the various systems. The general background of the system is described in order to give the practitioner or legal scholar the necessary background to understand the differences between the systems and the developments and evolutions of each social security system.

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