

legalistic**le-gal-is-tic** [legalistic] *BrE* /,liːɡəˈlɪstɪk/ *NAmE* /,liːɡeɪˈlɪstɪk/ **adjective**

(disapproving)

obeying the law too strictly

- a legalistic approach to family disputes
- American institutions tend to be more legalistic than their British counterparts.

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[Word Family: noun: ↑legality ≠ ↑illegality, ↑legalization, ↑legalese, ↑illegal; adjective: ↑legal ≠ ↑illegal, ↑legalistic; verb: ↑legalize; adverb: ↑legally ≠ ↑illegally]

too concerned about small legal details:

- a legalistic interpretation of the agreement

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