Section 5 of the guide: A Dubai driving licence: how I exchanged my licence, without tests

How it went for me

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1. I booked an appointment at an RTA branch and had an eye test there, for a fee.
2. I had my licence translated by a notary.
3. I filled in the licence exchange application on the RTA website, uploaded a copy of both sides of the licence and the translation, and paid.
4. Within an hour of applying, I had the licence in hand.

All in all, it is an easy process once you already have residence.

The full guide on the site: u810properties.com/en-guide-driving-license

Moving to Dubai, or already have residence?

Tell me where you are in the process, and I will share what I did.

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This information is based on my own experience in October 2025 and on RTA publications, and is correct as of the update date. The requirements can change.