Section 8 of the guide: A Dubai driving licence: how I exchanged my licence, without tests

For UK licence holders

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The UK is on the RTA's list of countries whose licences can be exchanged in Dubai without a driving test and without a translation. The documents and fees are the ones in the table above.

Until your residence visa is issued, you can drive in Dubai on your UK photocard licence (UK government travel advice).

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

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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.