Section 2 of the guide: Buying a resale apartment in Dubai: the process, the costs and what to check before you sign

The costs of buying resale

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Cost	How much	Who usually pays
DLD registration fee	4% of the price	According to the DLD, 2% the buyer and 2% the seller. In practice it is set in the agreement, and in most transactions the buyer pays the full 4%
Trustee office	AED 4,000 + VAT for a price of AED 500,000 and above, and AED 2,000 + VAT below that	According to the agreement
Agency commission	Usually 2% + VAT	The buyer, when buying through an agent
Developer's confirmation (NOC)	Varies by developer, usually AED 500 to 5,000	Usually the seller
Releasing the seller's mortgage	AED 1,290, plus AED 315 for the registrar, according to the DLD	Usually the seller
Registration and Title Deed fees	A few hundred dirhams	The buyer

You can see the full example with numbers for a ready apartment of AED 1,500,000 in the costs guide. If you are buying with a mortgage, add a mortgage registration fee of 0.25% of the loan amount (see the mortgage guide).

> In the buying costs calculator you enter the apartment price and see everything you pay on top of it, including the agent's commission and the trustee office fee. If you need a mortgage, the mortgage calculator shows the most a bank can lend.

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

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