Section 4 of the guide: Buying a resale apartment in Dubai: the process, the costs and what to check before you sign

How it differs from buying off-plan

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	Resale, ready apartment	Off-plan, from the developer
The contract	Form F between the buyer and the seller	The developer's sale and purchase agreement (SPA)
Payment	The full amount on transfer day, from your own money or with a mortgage	In stages, according to the payment plan
Where the money is protected	The exchange happens at the same meeting at the trustee office	The project's escrow account
Registration	Title Deed in your name on transfer day	Provisional registration (Oqood), and a Title Deed only after handover
What you see before buying	The apartment itself, the building and the actual service charges	Renderings and plans
What to check in particular	The seller's mortgage, service charge debt, a tenant	The developer, the project and the contract

For buying off-plan, see the guide to buying off-plan and the payment plan.

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