



**Memorandum of Understanding
on Mutual Recognition and Exchange of Driving Licenses Issued by
The Republic of Lithuania
and
The United Arab Emirates**

Preamble

The Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania and the Ministry of the Interior of the United Arab Emirates, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties".

Believing in deep relations between the two countries with desire to improve road traffic safety as well as to facilitate the movement of their citizens, who are holding driving licenses issued by respective competent authorities of their countries during visit or residence in the territory of the country of the other Party,

Have agreed the following:

**Article 1
Definitions**

For the purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding:

- a) 'driving license' means a valid document, issued by the competent authority of the State of a Party, that permits its holders to drive a motor vehicle of a certain category in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania or of the United Arab Emirates, as the case of may be, and is subject to the validity terms and conditions specific to the type of driving license and to the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the Republic of Lithuania and the United Arab Emirates, as the case may be;
- b) 'State of a Party' means the Republic of Lithuania or the United Arab Emirates, as the case may be;
- c) 'Competent Authority' means the authority of the State of a Party, as specified in Article 2 of the Memorandum of Understanding.

**Article 2
Competent Authorities**

The Competent Authorities of the States of the Parties responsible for the exchange of driving license are:

- For the Republic of Lithuania:

The State Enterprise "Regitra";

- For the United Arab Emirates:
General Directorate of Traffic Coordination of the Ministry of Interior.

In the event of any change to the contact details of the abovementioned Competent Authorities or their functions, the Parties shall immediately notify each other.

For the purpose of the implementation of the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Competent Authorities shall cooperate with each other directly and if necessary via diplomatic channels.

Article 3 Recognition of Driving License

For the purposes of implementing this Memorandum of Understanding, the Parties shall recognize a valid driving license issued in accordance to the national legislation to those citizens, who arrive not for the purpose of residence, provided that the holder of the driving license fulfills the requirements of minimum age laid down by the other Party for the different driving license categories.

Article 4 Exchange of Driving License

For citizens who arrive for the purpose of residence, each Party shall exempt the applicant for exchange of a driving license issued by the other Party from the related theoretical and practical tests. This exemption shall be limited to driving license categories indicated in the table in this article.

The period of time during which the exchange of driving license has to take place, starting from the date on which the holder has taken up residence in the State of the Party, is defined by a national legislation of the respective State of the Party.

Driving license shall be exchanged according to the following table:

Republic of Lithuania	United Arab Emirates
Category	Category
1. A1 – motorcycles with a cylinder capacity not exceeding 125 cubic centimeters, of a power not exceeding 11 kW and with a power/weight ratio not exceeding 0,1 kW/kg; motor tricycles with a power not exceeding 15 kW;	1. Motorcycle, all types of motorcycles.

<p>A2 – motorcycles of a power not exceeding 35 kW and with a power/weight ratio not exceeding 0,2 kW/kg and not derived from a vehicle of more than double its power;</p> <p>A – motorcycles; motor tricycles with a power exceeding 15 kW.</p>	
<p>2. B – motor vehicles with a maximum authorized mass not exceeding 3 500 kg and designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than eight passengers in addition to the driver; motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorized mass which does not exceed 750 kg.</p>	<p>2. Light vehicle, the net is not exceeding 2,5 tons.</p>
<p>3. D1 – motor vehicles designed and constructed for the carriage of no more than 16 passengers in addition to the driver and with a maximum length not exceeding 8 m; motor vehicles in this category may be combined with a trailer having a maximum authorized mass not exceeding 750 kg.</p>	<p>3. Microbus up to maximum of 14 passengers.</p>

Article 5

Conditions of Exchange of Driving License

The terms and conditions, under which driving license can be exchanged, are the following:

1. The applicant for exchanging a driving license shall hold a valid resident permit.
2. The driving license must be valid and permanent (issued not for beginner drivers).
3. The applicant must fulfill the minimum age requirements according to the national legislation of the State of the Party for the different driving license categories.
4. The driving license should be exchanged according to the approved samples.
5. The driving license of the applicant should be exchanged with equivalent categories of driving license as stipulated in the table of Article 4.
6. The applicant for exchanging the driving license must submit the original of the driving license and a legal translation to the language of the State of a Party issued by any certified legal translation bureau.
7. The applicant must pass the medical examination in accordance with the national legislation of the State of the Party.
8. The exchange of driving license is subject to any other terms that are required according to the national legislation of the State of the Party.

9. The exchanged driving license shall be returned to the Competent Authority via diplomatic channels.
10. The provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding shall not be applied to the non citizens of the State of the Party.

Article 6

Driving License, Traffic Laws and Regulations

Each Party shall promptly inform the other Party about changes or amendments on driving licenses or traffic laws in its national legislation related to this Memorandum of Understanding via diplomatic channels.

Article 7

Validity of Driving License

Upon the entry into force of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Competent Authorities of the States of the Parties shall exchange specimen driving licenses or their descriptions valid in the States of the Parties.

In case of any doubts related to the validity or authenticity of a driving license submitted for exchange, the Competent Authority carrying out the exchange may request the Competent Authority of the other State of the Party to verify the validity or the authenticity of that driving license via diplomatic channels.

Article 8

Settlement

All disputes arising from the application of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled by negotiations and consultations between both Parties via diplomatic channels.

Article 9

Entry into force and Termination

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force after (30) days from the date of signature and will remain valid for an indefinite period.

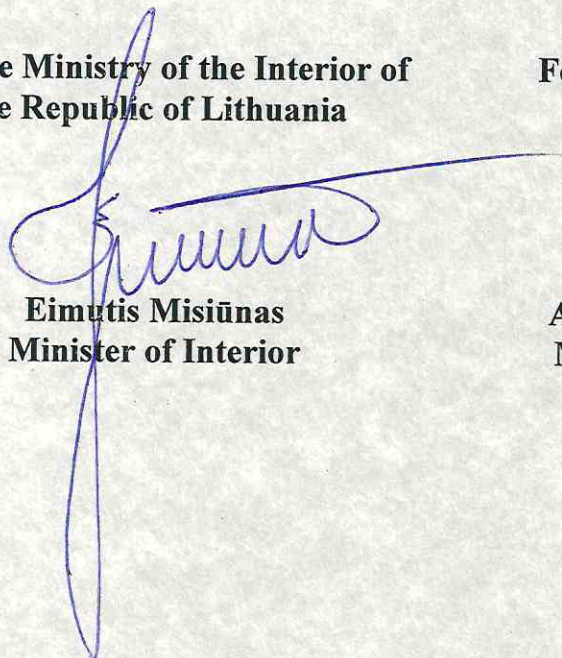
The terms of this Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual written consent of both Parties.

Each Party may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving three months advance written notice to the other Party via diplomatic channels by indicating its intention to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding.

The termination of the Memorandum of Understanding shall have no impact on the validity of driving license exchanged during its period of validity.

Done at Vilnius on 11 July 2017 in duplicate copies, each in Lithuanian, Arabic and English languages, all texts being equally authentic. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

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