



Driving licence update

- The DGT is aware that UK and other licence holders are facing problems in obtaining an appointment. They hope to make more appointments available very soon. They are also aiming to streamline the current exchange process until the end of the year
- UK licence holders will be asked to complete a form with the details the DGT needs in order to verify their driving licence with the UK authorities. This form must be submitted to the DGT by 25 December at the very latest. Once a person has presented their form, they will need to obtain an appointment with DGT to finalise the exchange process. However, as long as the form was submitted by the date above, and the licence verified by the DGT before the end of the year, the appointment to complete the process can be after 1 January 2021
- Further details about the system and when it will come into effect should hopefully be available soon
- The UK continues to negotiate the rules on the recognition and exchange of driving licences from 1 January 2021 onwards with member states, and we'll update you when there is any further news

Update on registration issues

- The Embassy continues to work with the Spanish authorities on the issue of TIE documents issued with incorrect wording. The authorities have emphasised that these cards remain valid documents. However, we appreciate the desire of UK nationals to obtain a card with the correct wording. This can be done free of charge, but we are awaiting further information from the Spanish authorities
- Issues re inconsistencies in documentation requirements, appointment availability and permanent TIE cards being issued for only 5 instead of 10 years, have been raised. Further updates will follow as soon as possible
- Anyone struggling to obtain an appointment should collate all the documentation necessary for their application and be able to prove they are legally living in Spain by the end of this year. Appointments are being made available in many areas and it is best to check early in the week and early in the morning
- A series of videos on registering as resident will be found on the Embassy Brits in Spain Facebook channel. Two are already online and a third on exchanging the green certificate for a TIE should be posted soon

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