

Insurers set to meet deadline for online policy

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Dubai: The majority of the insurance companies in Dubai are ready to roll out online insurance for vehicle registrations which is mandatory from March 1.

"We are all set to start the online insurance as we have updated our system and are now linked with the Dubai Roads and Transport Authority (RTA) to issue online motor policy," said Iqbal Mankani, Chief Operating Officer at the Aman Insurance in Dubai. He was speaking in response to a report published in Gulf News that the RTA will not register vehicles in Dubai without an online insurance policy with effect from March 1.

He said that it would be very convenient for motorists to have an online policy because then they do not have to go to the RTA registration office.

"Once they pay for their vehicle policy, their policy number will be available on the RTA's portal at the time of registration of their vehicles," he added.

Mohammad No'man Seddiqi, manager of Motor Department at the Arab Orient Insurance Company, said that the new move would make customers' lives easier as it would simplify the procedure of car registration.

"Instead of issuing a paper policy certificate, we will make it available online and it is a quite simple procedure," he added.

Abdul Malek, a sales manager, said it was a good initiative but the RTA should continue to accept the paper policy set-up until the system is fully integrated and tested.