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Technical Notice

Exchange and use of Gibraltar driving licences by Gibraltarian residents of Spain

HMGoG has noted the decision of the Council of Ministers of the Government of Spain not to extend the bridging measure on the recognition of UK and Gibraltar driving licences used in Spain **by persons legally resident Spain**. This measure, contained in Spain's Real Decreto-ley 38/2020, will therefore expire on 30 April 2022.

As HMGoG has repeatedly informed, **this measure does not affect visitors to Spain driving with a UK or Gibraltar driving licence**.

This will primarily affect two groups:

- Gibraltar or UK licence holders who are long-term residents of Spain and did not exchange their driving licence for a Spanish one before 31 December 2020.
- Gibraltar or UK licence holders who became resident in Spain after 31 December 2020 and have been resident in Spain for longer than 6 months.

For individuals in these groups, UK or Gibraltar driving licences will no longer be valid for driving in Spain as of 1 May 2022. Individuals affected are therefore advised to apply for a Spanish driving licence if they wish to continue driving in Spain.