How to buy a car in Qatar!

New or pre-own vehicles can be found in the local area with ease. You can find:

- New car dealerships (American, Japanese or Korean manufactured vehicles)
- Pre-owned car dealerships can be found on Salwa Road in Doha
 - o On-line: www.qatarliving.com, has a classified section (for sale by owner)

NOTE: Locally purchased vehicles meet Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) vehicle specifications.

Funds: Purchasing new or used vehicles in Qatar is a cash transaction in Qatari Riyals

- Qatari Riyals can be exchanged/drawn from the 379th Expeditionary Comptroller Squadron
 - US dollars/funds will need to be loaded to Eagle Cash Card
 - Max limit is \$350 per day on Eagle Cash Card
 - Limit can be temporarily raised to \$9,999 with commander's approval
 - Limit raise template memorandum is attached
 - Not needed for O-6s and above
 - Provide a 1-2 weeks advance notice to ensure funds are available; DSN 437-7086
- Funding options:
 - o Cash
 - o Personal loan from an US bank
 - Vehicle loan from a bank in Qatar
 - Local dealerships recommend CBQ (Commercial Bank of Qatar) to finance a vehicle. CBQ requires prospective customers to bank with them by opening a bank account and have their salary direct deposited into the account in order to approve financing
- Required documents for purchasing a vehicle (and/or opening a bank account in Qatar) include color copies of:
 - Passport (signature page)
 - Qatar residency card
 - Qatar driver's license

Vehicle Registration & Transfer:

- Qatar does not use a vehicle title. Instead, vehicle registration changes hands from seller to buyer
- Vehicle registration is paid annually in a lump sum and exchanges hands from seller to buyer
- The seller and buyer must be present, at the same time, at the License Plates Workshop Building, Madinat Khalifa Traffic Department, Ministry of Interior, Doha, Qatar
 - Complete a registration form at traffic department
 - Vehicle is registered under the buyer
 NOTE: You will need Qatari Riyals for vehicle transfer and registration depending on the year of your vehicle. You can expect to spend from \$50-\$200 (180 to 720 Qatari Riyals)
- Address:
 - o Madinat Khalifa Traffic Department (continues on next page)

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Madinat Khalifa Traffic Department



(sign on the building)

- Nearest Address (between):
 - 93 Al Najda Street, Madinat Khalifa, Doha, Ad Dawhah, Qatar & Madinat Khalifa North, Doha, Ad Dawhah, Qatar
- Near the "Al Gaharrafa Immigration roundabout"
- GPS coordinates
 - N25°19.347′
 - E052°28.499'

Vehicle Insurance:

- There are different local companies with different types of coverage. The below information is from a previous CSP member who used Arabia Insurance for his vehicles
 - o Arabia Insurance (www.arabiainsurance.com)
 - o Telephone: +974 -4442-2682 or +974-4446-6283
 - Located near C-ring road near the airport
 - ***NOTE: Full coverage premium ranges from 3.5% to 4.5% of the vehicle's value