

In the United Arab Emirates, the country's largest city — Dubai — has officially introduced a new transport project. According to the Roads and Transport Authority (RTA), driverless taxis (robotaxi) began operating on the city's streets in December 2025.



Key Features

- **Partnership:** The project is carried out in collaboration with **WeRide** and **Uber Technologies**.
- **Availability:** Passengers can book a driverless taxi via the Uber app by selecting the "Autonomous" option.
- **Routes:** At this initial stage, the service is available only in the **Umm Suqeim** and **Jumeirah** districts along the coastline.
- **Safety:** For now, a safety operator remains inside the vehicles, but full autonomous operation is planned in the future.
- **Strategic Goal:** Under the "Self-Driving Transport Strategy," Dubai aims to make

25% of all trips driverless by 2030.



RTA's Head of Public Transport **Ahmed Bahrozyan** stated: *"WeRide robotaxis can now be booked through the Uber app. At this first stage, they are operating in Umm Suqeim and Jumeirah. This is a key step in implementing Dubai's smart city strategy."*

RTA Director General **Mattar Al Tayer** emphasized that the launch of driverless taxis is part of Dubai's plan to become one of the world's most innovative and smart cities.