



Mercedes-Benz

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

Alan J. McLaren

Vice President
Customer Services

**Safety Recall #2011050001
Second Row Seat Belts**

July, 2011

2011050001

Dear Mercedes-Benz Sprinter Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler AG (DAG), the manufacturer of Sprinter vehicles, has decided that a noncompliance which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Model Year 2010-2011 Mercedes-Benz Sprinter vehicles with regard to the second row seat belts. Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA) therefore has initiated a recall of these vehicles. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population of vehicles.

WE SENT YOU THIS NOTICE BECAUSE WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR SAFETY.

DAG has determined that on certain Sprinter vehicles equipped with an optional second row three seat bench, the installed seat belts may be certified to the European standard but may not meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) 208 and 209. As a result, the seat belt assembly is not lockable as required by FMVSS 208 and the assembly loop does not meet the forces required by FMVSS 209, thereby increasing the risk of injury during a crash. MBUSA therefore has initiated a recall of all potentially affected vehicles described above.

An authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer will remedy this condition by checking the seat belts of the affected bench seat and replacing the seat belts if necessary. This service will be provided free of charge. The working time required is approximately 2 hours. As a matter of normal service process, your authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer will also check for other repair measures which might be applicable to your vehicle and this may increase the required working time. Please contact your authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer for additional information and to schedule an appointment at your earliest convenience. Please mention Recall Campaign #2011050001.

Please visit an authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer to have this recall repair performed.

If you are no longer the vehicle owner, or have a change of address, please complete the reverse side of this letter and return the complete letter in the enclosed envelope. If this is a leased vehicle and the lessor and registered owner receive this notice, please forward this information by first class mail to the lessee. If you have paid to have this recall condition corrected prior to this notice you may be eligible to receive reimbursement. Please see the reverse side of this notice for details.

Please contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer should you have any questions or encounter any difficulty regarding this recall. If your dealer is unable to remedy your situation please contact us at 1-877-762-8267.

If an authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer or MBUSA, LLC, fails or is unable to perform this service without charge within 60 days, pursuant to law 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause you.

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC
One Mercedes Drive
P.O. Box 350
Montvale, NJ 07645-0350
Phone 1-800-FOR MERCEDES (1-800-367-6372)
Fax (201) 476 6211
www.MBUSA.com

IMPORTANT

IF FOR ANY REASON YOU DO NOT NOW OWN THIS VEHICLE OR HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, PLEASE COMPLETE THE SECTION BELOW, PLACE IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, AND DROP IN ANY MAIL BOX. IF POSSIBLE, PROVIDE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PRESENT OWNER SO THAT WE MAY CONTACT THEM.

- SCRAPPED**
- STOLEN**
- OTHER** _____
- SOLD** _____ **I HAVE SOLD THE VEHICLE TO:** _____
- MY NEW ADDRESS IS:** _____

NAME _____

STREET _____ **APT.** _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

PHONE _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

**** PLEASE DO NOT DETACH. RETURN COMPLETE LETTER ****
DO NOT USE THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE FOR OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

Reimbursement to Customers for Repairs Performed Prior to Recall

If you have already paid to have this recall condition corrected you may be eligible to receive reimbursement.

Requests for reimbursement may include parts, labor, fees and taxes. Reimbursement may be limited to the amount the repair would have cost if completed by an authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer. The following documentation must be presented to your dealer for reimbursement.

Original or clear copy of all receipts, invoices and/or repair orders that show:

- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair.
- The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of the vehicle that was repaired.
- What problem occurred, what repair was done, when it was done and who repaired it.
- The total cost of the repair expense that is being claimed.
- Proof of payment of repair (copy of front and back of cancelled check, or copy of credit card receipt).
- Reimbursement will be made by check from your dealer. If your claim is denied you will receive a letter from Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC within 60 days of receipt with the reason(s) for the denial.

Please speak with your dealer concerning this matter.

Daimler Vans USA, LLC
A Daimler Company

Alan McLaren
Vice President, Customer Services

**Safety Recall #2011050001
Second Row Seat Belts**

July, 2011

2011050001

Dear Freightliner Sprinter Owner,

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Daimler AG (DAG), the manufacturer of Sprinter vehicles, has decided that a noncompliance which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Model Year 2008-2011 Freightliner Sprinter vehicles with regard to the second row seat belts. Daimler Vans USA, LLC (DVUSA), a subsidiary of Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC, therefore has initiated a recall of these vehicles. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population of vehicles.

WE SENT YOU THIS NOTICE BECAUSE WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR SAFETY.

DAG has determined that on certain Sprinter vehicles equipped with an optional second row three seat bench, the installed seat belts may be certified to the European standard but may not meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) 208 and 209. As a result, the seat belt assembly is not lockable as required by FMVSS 208 and the assembly loop does not meet the forces required by FMVSS 209, thereby increasing the risk of injury during a crash. DVUSA therefore has initiated a recall of all potentially affected vehicles described above.

An authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer will remedy this condition by checking the seat belts of the affected bench seat and replacing the seat belts if necessary. This service will be provided free of charge. The working time required is approximately 2 hours. As a matter of normal service process, your authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer will also check for other repair measures which might be applicable to your vehicle and this may increase the required working time. Please contact your authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer for additional information and to schedule an appointment at your earliest convenience. Please mention Recall Campaign #2011050001.

Please visit an authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer to have this recall repair performed.

If you are no longer the vehicle owner, or have a change of address, please complete the reverse side of this letter and return the complete letter in the enclosed envelope. If this is a leased vehicle and the lessor and registered owner receive this notice, please forward this information by first class mail to the lessee. If you have paid to have this recall condition corrected prior to this notice you may be eligible to receive reimbursement. Please see the reverse side of this notice for details.

Please contact an authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer should you have any questions or encounter any difficulty regarding this recall. If your dealer is unable to remedy your situation please contact us at 1-877-762-8267.

If an authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer or DVUSA, LLC, fails or is unable to perform this service without charge within 60 days, pursuant to law 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause you.



Daimler Vans USA, LLC
One Mercedes Drive
P.O. Box 350
Montvale, NJ 07645-0350
1-877-762-8267

IMPORTANT

IF FOR ANY REASON YOU DO NOT NOW OWN THIS VEHICLE OR HAVE A CHANGE OF ADDRESS, PLEASE COMPLETE THE SECTION BELOW, PLACE IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE, AND DROP IN ANY MAIL BOX. IF POSSIBLE, PROVIDE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PRESENT OWNER SO THAT WE MAY CONTACT THEM.

- SCRAPPED
- STOLEN
- OTHER _____
- SOLD _____ I HAVE SOLD THE VEHICLE TO:
- MY NEW ADDRESS IS:

NAME _____

STREET _____ APT. _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

**** PLEASE DO NOT DETACH. RETURN COMPLETE LETTER ****
DO NOT USE THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE FOR OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

Reimbursement to Customers for Repairs Performed Prior to Recall

If you have already paid to have this recall condition corrected you may be eligible to receive reimbursement.

Requests for reimbursement may include parts, labor, fees and taxes. Reimbursement may be limited to the amount the repair would have cost if completed by an authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer. The following documentation must be presented to your dealer for reimbursement.

Original or clear copy of all receipts, invoices and/or repair orders that show:

- The name and address of the person who paid for the repair.
- The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of the vehicle that was repaired.
- What problem occurred, what repair was done, when it was done and who repaired it.
- The total cost of the repair expense that is being claimed.
- Proof of payment of repair (copy of front and back of cancelled check, or copy of credit card receipt).
- Reimbursement will be made by check from your dealer. If your claim is denied you will receive a letter from Daimler Vans USA, LLC within 60 days of receipt with the reason(s) for the denial.

Please speak with your dealer concerning this matter.