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# newschannel update

то: Mercedes-Benz Dealer Principals, General	FROM: Thomas Brunner, Department Manager,	
Managers, Sales Managers, Service Managers, Parts	Vehicle Compliance and Analysis, Engineering	
Managers	Services	
RE: Recall Campaign Launch 2017050012		
MY 2017 213 (E-Class Sedan,)	DATE: June 2, 2017	
Replace Front Passenger and Driver Kneebag		

#### **IMPORTANT RECALL LAUNCH INFORMATION**

Please see the attached document for the subject recall campaign launch information





**Rental Fleet Partners** 

## RECALL CAMPAIGN LAUNCH NOTIFICATION

June 2, 2017

Campaign Nos. :	Campaign Desc. :	Replace Front Passenger Airbag and Driver Kneebag			
2017050012	1704P91A84				
This is to notify you of a Recall Campaign LAUNCH for certain Model Year 2017 E-Class (213) platform vehicles. Please review the recall information below. The recall campaign will be visible on the <a href="https://www.safercar.gov">www.safercar.gov</a> website and may generate questions from customers. Parts are available and the affected VINs will show as "OPEN" in VMI on June 2, 2017					
Background					
Issue	This Recall Campaign has been initiated because Daimler AG ('DAG'), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles, has determined that on certain E-Class (213 platform) vehicles, the propellant mix ratio in certain airbag igniters might not meet manufacturing specifications. In a crash necessitating deployment of the front passenger airbag and/or driver kneebag, the airbag igniter may not deploy, thereby increasing the risk of injury to occupants.				
What We're Doing		MBUSA will conduct a voluntary recall. An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will replace the potentially affected front passenger airbag and driver kneebag on the identified vehicles.			
Parts	Parts are available an	Parts are available and may be ordered as specified.			
Vehicles Affected					
Vehicle Model Year(s)	2017	2017			
Vehicle Model	E-Class				
	Vehicle Populations				
Total Recall Population	81				
Total Vehicles in Dealer Inventory	/ 18				
Given this notice, it is <u>a violation of Federal law</u> for a dealer to sell or lease any <u>new MY17 E-Class vehicles in dealer inventory covered by this notification until the vehicle has been repaired. Affected vehicles will be flagged in VMI as "OPEN". Work Instructions are available in Star TekInfo. Once the repair is complete, the vehicle may be sold or leased.  Loaner and demonstrator vehicles may continue to be driven, but must not be retailed until repaired.  Additionally, given this notice, it is <u>a violation of Federal Law</u> for car rental companies to rent any MY17 E-Class vehicles</u>					
covered by this notification until the vehicle has been repaired.					
Next Steps/Notes					
<b>Customer Notification Timeline</b>	Customer letter	rs are scheduled to be mailed on June 9, 2017.			
AOMS/SOMS		AOMs -Please forward this notice to your dealers ASAP to ensure that the retail hold of any dealer inventory vehicles is enforced until the vehicle is repaired.			

While we regret any inconvenience this may cause, MBUSA is determined to maintain a high level of vehicle quality and customer satisfaction. Please refer all customer inquiries to the Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-FOR-MERCEDES.

MBUSA dealer.

This recall may affect vehicles in your fleet. Please contact your respective MBUSA Strategic

Account Manager for further information and next steps. For repairs, please contact your preferred

Recall Campaign Bulletin



Campaign No. 2017050012, June 2017

TO: ALL MERCEDES-BENZ CENTERS

SUBJECT: Model 213, Model Year 2017

Replace Front Passenger Airbag and Driver Knee Airbag

Daimler AG ('DAG'), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles, has determined that on certain E-Class (model series 213) vehicles it may be possible that the propellant mixing ratio in the squib of the front passenger airbag and driver knee bag may not correspond to specifications. In a crash necessitating an airbag deployment, it is possible that these airbag components may not fully deploy which increases the risk of injury to occupants.

Prior to performing this Recall Campaign:

- Please check VMI to determine if the vehicle is involved in the Campaign and if it has been previously repaired.
- Please review the entire Recall Campaign bulletin and follow the repair procedure exactly as described.

Please note that Recall Campaigns **do not expire** and may also be performed on a vehicle with a vehicle status indicator.

Approximately 81 vehicles are involved.

Order No. P-RC-2017050012

This bulletin has been created and maintained in accordance with MBUSA-SLP S423QH001, Document and Data Control, and MBUSA-SLP S424HH001, Control of Quality Records.

#### **Procedure**



#### WARNING!

There is a risk of injury or death when performing testing or repair work on vehicles and when handling vehicle components. Be sure to read and observe all relevant safety instructions in WIS. This procedure must only be performed by trained personnel using proper tools and equipment.

1. Start engine and check whether Supplemental Restraint System (SRS) indicator lamp (arrow, Figure 1) goes out after a few seconds.

# Note: Prior to replacing airbags, it must be ensured that:

- No errors are active in the SRS system (as described in this step).
- No SRS error messages are active in the instrument cluster (as described in this step).
- If an SRS error message is pending before start of work, it must be corrected. Fault corrections (repairs) are not claimable under this campaign.



Figure 1

2. Remove driver knee airbag, refer to WIS: AR91.60-P-0200LW.

## i Note:

- Disconnect negative battery cable prior to removing airbag.
- Do not reinstall panel below knee airbag at this time.
- It is not necessary to check the SRS system with Xentry diagnosis.
- Record airbag part number on the repair order
- 3. Replace front passenger airbag; refer to WIS: AR91.60-P-0680LWE.

## i Note:

Refer to all warnings and notes listed above.

- 4. Install **new** driver knee airbag, refer to WIS: AR91.60-P-0200LW.
- 5. After installation of new airbags be sure to start engine and check whether SRS indicator lamp goes out after a few seconds (arrow, Figure 1).

## i Note:

- Requested parts must be returned to the designated QEC test center in accordance with the warranty parts return requirements section found in the policy and procedures manual.
- Use the attached hazmat shipping document as a guide for shipping airbags.

Note (regarding WIS documents referenced in this Procedure):

Replacement of parts not listed in the parts table of this Procedure are not claimable under this campaign. If replacement of additional part(s) is necessary, check coverage prior to submitting under warranty.

#### **Primary Parts Information**

Qty.	Part Name	Part Number	Estimated Replacement	
-			Rate	
1	Driver knee airbag	A 213 860 03 02	100%	
1	Front passenger airbag	A 213 860 00 02		
4	Mounting nuts (passenger airbag)	A 001 990 58 50		

## i Note:

- Please be aware that only the part number(s) referenced in the Campaign Bulletin is/are approved for use to repair the vehicle. Repairs performed using any other part(s) will not have been performed in accordance with the campaign. Accordingly, warranty claims submitted with reference to an improper part number(s) will be denied.
- The following allowable labor operation should be used when submitting a warranty claim for this repair:

#### **Warranty Information**

**Operation:** Replace front passenger airbag and knee airbag for driver (02-9974)

Damage Code	Operation Number	Labor Time (hrs.)
91 930 49 7	02-9974	1.4

Li Note

Operation Number labor times are subject to change.





## **Hazardous Materials Shipping Instructions - GROUND**

Part Name: Airbag
Part Number: Several
Hazardous Properties: Contains initiating component which deploys (inflates) airbag.



#### Steps to Return an Airbag:

#### **REQUIRED PACKAGING:**

- Carefully open received box and remove new airbag. Keep box intact & save all contents!
- Place used airbag into replacement UN specified 4G fiberboard box, re-using any packaging material (e.g., cardboard inserts) used for the new airbag. Package exactly as the new airbag was packaged.
- Use plastic adhesive tape 50 mm wide to secure the box closed. Do not obscure labels or text on the box with the tape.
- Ensure that the 4G fiberboard box is not ripped or damaged.

#### **REQUIRED LABELS:**

 A Class 9 Miscellaneous label must be clearly visible on one side of the box.

#### **REQUIRED PACKAGE MARKINGS:**

 The following words ("marking") must also be clearly visible on the same side of the box as the Class 9 label:

#### Safety devices

**UN3268** (font size must be  $>= \frac{1}{2}$  inch)

- Affix "To/From" address label to same or adjacent packaging face as the hazardous markings/labels.
- The UN 4G code preprinted near the bottom edge of the box must also be clearly visible.

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:**

 Include a HAZMAT bill of lading (see above example) with the package. For returns via DDS or FedEx Ground, the system will generate the Hazmat bill of lading.

#### **COMMENTS:**

- Note: The Packing Group and the EX# are no longer required to be printed on the HAZMAT bill of lading.
- Package example:







# Hazardous Materials Shipping Instructions for shipments using an Overpack - GROUND

Part Name: Airbag
Part Number: A906 860 00 02 9051
Hazardous Properties: Contains initiating component which deploys (inflates) airbags.



## Steps to Return Multiple Airbags in 1 Box: REQUIRED PACKAGING:

- Carefully open received UN spec box and remove new airbag. Keep the box intact & save all contents!
- Place used airbag back into replacement airbag box, re-using any packaging material (e.g., cardboard inserts) used for the new airbag. Package as the new airbag was packaged.
- Use plastic adhesive packaging tape 50 mm wide to secure box closed. Do not obscure labels or text on box with tape.

#### **REQUIRED LABELS:**

 A Class 9 Miscellaneous label must be clearly visible on one side of the box.

#### **REQUIRED PACKAGE MARKINGS:**

 The following words ("markings") must also be clearly visible on the same side of the box as the label:

#### Safety devices

**UN3268** (font size must be  $>= \frac{1}{2}$  inch)

- Affix "To/From" address label to same or adjacent packaging face as the hazardous markings/labels.
- The UN 4G code preprinted near the bottom edge of the box must also be clearly visible.

#### **OVERPACKS** (more than 1 airbag sent as 1 shipment):

- Package each airbag in a separate UN spec box prepared with the labels/markings described above.
- Place each individual airbag box inside a larger non-UN spec box to keep the shipment together.
- This larger box is called an "OVERPACK."
- The OVERPACK must have the identical markings and label as the boxes contained inside.

 The OVERPACK must have the "OVERPACK" statement on the same face as the hazard markings and labels.

#### Package example:

