

URGENT – IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL #2018110007

This notice applies to your vehicle
VIN: WDDUG [REDACTED]
Replace Passenger Side Airbag Module
NHTSA Recall #18V032

Daimler Vans USA, LLC

A Daimler Company

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Mercedes Benz USA, LLC

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- A safety defect exists in your vehicle
- Remedy parts are now available for your vehicle.
- Schedule an appointment with your authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer as soon as possible.
- This repair will be provided free of charge.

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 Vans USA has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain Model Year 2013 Freightliner Sprinter vehicles. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population of vehicles. **Remedy parts are now available for your vehicle.**

What is the CONCERN?

Your passenger-side airbags are affected by this recall based on the defect decision of Takata Holdings, Inc. ("Takata"). Under certain circumstances during a crash that necessitates front airbag deployment, the defect in your passenger-side airbag inflator may cause the inflator housing to rupture. **A passenger-side inflator rupture during deployment could result in metal fragments striking the front passenger or other occupants, possibly causing serious injury or death.**

What will your DEALER DO?

An authorized Freightliner Sprinter dealer will replace the passenger-side airbag module. **This service will be provided free of charge.** While the minimum repair time is approximately 1 hour, your dealer can provide you with a better estimate of the overall time for this service visit. As a matter of normal service process, an authorized Freightliner dealer will also check for other repair measures which might be applicable to your vehicle and this may increase the required work time. You will not be charged for other service or repairs unless so requested.

Schedule an appointment immediately at your preferred authorized Freightliner Sprinter Dealer. See www.freightlinersprinterusa.com/freightliner/owners-resources/recall for the Dealer Locator. **Please mention you are scheduling an appointment to replace the Takata passenger-side airbag module under Recall Campaign #2018110007.** You may be asked for your 7-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) which for your convenience is located above your name at the top of this letter.

We encourage you to sign up for recall alerts at www.nhtsa.gov/alerts. In the event that you are no longer the vehicle owner, or have had a change of address, please complete the reverse side and return the updated information 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 within 10 business days to comply with Federal Regulations.

Should you have any questions or difficulty regarding this Recall Campaign, please contact an authorized Freightliner dealer. If for any reason a dealer is unable to remedy your situation, we are always happy to hear from you. Please contact us at 1-877-762-8267.

If an authorized Freightliner dealer for any reason is unable to remedy the situation without charge, or within a reasonable amount of time, pursuant to law 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301, you may submit a complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20590 or call the toll-free Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9533); or go to <http://www.safercar.gov>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause you, but your safety is of utmost concern to Freightliner.

Sincerely,

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC
A Daimler Company
One Mercedes-Benz Drive
Sandy Springs, GA 30328
Phone (770) 705-0600

IMPORTANT

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If for any reason YOU NO LONGER 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.

- EXPORTED
- LEASE, VEHICLE RETURNED
- SCRAPPED
- SOLD
- STOLEN
- OTHER _____

- NEW OWNER INFORMATION
- MY NEW NAME OR ADDRESS IS:

[Grid for Last Name, First Name]

Last Name, First Name

[Grid for Street]

Street

Apt

[Grid for City, State, ZIP]

City

State

ZIP

[Grid for Email Address]

Email Address

[Grid for Phone (numbers only)]

Phone (numbers only)

[Grid for Mobile (numbers only)]

Mobile (numbers only)

Date Signature

**** 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 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 MBUSA within 60 days of receipt with the reason(s) for the denial.

Please speak with your dealer concerning this matter. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.