

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

This INTERIM notice applies to your vehicle, VIN: Passenger Occupant Classification System Detection NHTSA Recall #19V892 Christian Treiber Vice President Customer Services

February, 2020



Dear Mercedes-Benz Owner,

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

Mercedes-Benz AG ("MBAG"), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles, has decided that a defect which relates to motor vehicle safety exists in certain Model Year ("MY") 2015-2018 CLA-Class (117 platform) vehicles. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population of vehicles.

What is the Concern?

MBAG has determined that on certain MY15-18 CLA-class (117 platform) vehicles, the calibration of the Occupant Classification System ("OCS") for the front passenger seat might not meet current production specifications. If the OCS is not calibrated according to production specifications, an installed child seat might be classified as an occupant, or a small and light occupant might be classified as a child seat. Therefore, the passenger airbag might be activated despite the presence of a mounted child seat. Conversely, the front passenger airbag might be deactivated despite an occupant sitting on the front passenger seat. Both cases would increase the risk of injuries to the passenger in case of a crash.

An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will replace the passenger seat cushion on the affected vehicles. Unfortunately, the parts to remedy this issue are currently not yet available.

We are working to obtain the necessary parts as quickly as possible. As parts become available, we will send you another letter asking you to take your vehicle to an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer to have the recall completed free of charge.

Should you have any concerns or questions regarding your vehicle before you receive the next recall letter when parts are available, please contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer. If for any reason a dealer is unable to resolve your question or concern, we are always happy to hear from you. Please contact us at 1-800-367-6372. A new vehicle identification number (VIN)-based recall lookup tool, on our MBUSA.com website, now offers a search function that will indicate whether a vehicle has been subject to a safety recall, and whether that vehicle has had the free remedy performed. Please visit www.MBUSA.com/recall.

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 within 10 days to comply with federal regulations.

If a Mercedes-Benz 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, 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 regret any inconvenience this situation may cause you.

Sincerely,

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VIN:

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.

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