Recall Campaign Bulletin



Campaign No. 2022120016, January 2023

TO: ALL MERCEDES-BENZ CENTERS

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SUBJECT: Model GLE and GLS (167 platform) vehicles

Model Year 2021-2022

Replace the Steering Coupling Locking Screws

Mercedes-Benz AG ("MBAG"), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles, has determined that on certain Model Year ("MY") 2021-2022 GLE and GLS (167 platform) vehicles, the steering coupling locking screws might not be tightened to the specified torque value. Insufficient tightening torque of the steering coupling locking screws might lead to free play in the connection, which would cause noises when driving on uneven roads. Should these noises not be noticed and therefore the vehicle not be brought to a workshop, the steering coupling locking screws may subsequently loosen further due to vibrations during driving and ultimately might back out of the steering coupling. In this condition, it cannot be fully ruled out that the steering coupling may detach from the steering shaft. This could impair the ability to steer the vehicle, which could increase the risk of a crash. Before the issue occurs, the driver may be made aware of the issue by resulting noises when driving on uneven roads. An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will replace the steering coupling locking screws on the affected vehicles.

Prior to performing this Campaign:

- VMI must always be checked before performing campaigns to verify that the campaign is required on a specific vehicle. Always check for any other open campaigns, and perform accordingly.
- Please review the entire Campaign bulletin and follow the repair procedure exactly as described.

Approximately 69 vehicles are affected.

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Replace bolt at upper and lower universal joint of steering coupling

Work Procedure

- 1. Replace bolt at upper and lower universal joint of the steering coupling (Figure 1,2).
 - Bolts shall be accessible from engine compartment at the top.
 - Turn steering column until both bolts are accessible.
 - Steering coupling bolt to steering shaft or rack-and-pinion steering **42 Nm**.



Figure 1

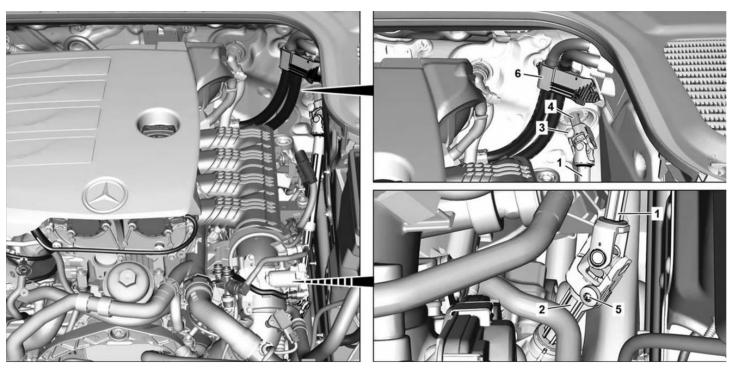


Figure 2

Primary Parts Information

Qty.	Part Name	Part Number
2	Steering coupling bolt to steering column/steering gear	A 010 990 56 04

is Small parts such as screws, lock nuts, sealing rings, cable ties, fluids, sealant, etc. are not listed in the parts list. The required small parts are taken into account in the budgeting.

Note: The following allowable labor operation should be used when submitting a warranty claim for this repair.

Warranty Information

Damage	Operation	Description	Labor Time
Code	Number		(hrs.)
46 921 08	12-1567	Replace bolt at upper and lower universal joint of the steering coupling	0.4

Note: Always check ASRA for the current OP-Code times. Labor times are subject to change and updates may not be reflected in this document.