

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

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This notice applies to your vehicle, VIN: [REDACTED]
Interim Letter: Check and Rep [REDACTED]
NHTSA Recall ID: 26V216



Dear Mercedes-Benz Owner:

This notice is sent to you in accordance with 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") 2018-2020 E-Class 4MATIC and S-Class 4MATIC vehicles. **Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population.**

What is the issue?

The universal joint on the drive shaft may experience increased wear, which could lead to a failure of the connection between the transfer case and the front-axle transmission, and result in a loss of propulsion without warning. This increases the risk of a crash.



Unfortunately, the remedy is not yet available. We are working to obtain the necessary parts to address this important safety recall as quickly as possible. When the remedy becomes available, we will send you another letter informing you to schedule an appointment with an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer to have your vehicle repaired, **at no cost to you.**

An authorized Mercedes-Benz Dealer will check the drive shaft on the affected vehicles and replace it, if necessary.

Should you have any concerns or questions regarding your vehicle before you receive the next letter when the remedy becomes available, please contact 1-(800) FOR-MERCEDES (1-800-367-6372).

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and look forward to taking care of this important safety recall immediately.

Sincerely,
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What if I no longer own or drive the vehicle or would like to update my contact information?
In the event you need to update your contact information or have updates concerning the vehicle, please visit www.mbusa.com/recall (or scan the QR Code to the left), submit your VIN using the VIN recall lookup tool, and complete the "Recall Contact Information" section on the website. If possible, please provide any contact information of the current owner/driver so we can contact them.

Additional Information for Owners:

A VIN-based recall lookup tool is available at www.mbusa.com/recall, which can be used to check whether a vehicle has been subject to a safety recall, or had the remedy performed. Should you have any questions or encounter any difficulty regarding this recall, please contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer.

Should an authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer be unable to address your concerns, please contact us at **1-(800) FOR-MERCEDES (1-800-367-6372)**. We are always happy to hear from you.

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.

If an authorized 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 <https://www.safercar.gov>.

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 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.

Please speak with your dealer concerning this matter. Thank you for your cooperation.

