

# Special Service Message

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## SSM 74889 - L663 Defender: distortion on Rear Mudflap part VPLEP0388

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**Content :**Issue:

Retailers or customers reporting that rear mudflaps VPLEP0388, may exhibit distortion on the inner flange (see attachment pictures 1 and 2).

Cause:

Moulding process not optimised..

Action:

If the condition is reported please check that the distortion is less than 8mm. (see attachment, picture 2) and that there are no distortion or marks on the main surface, where indicated in the picture 3 (see attachment).

If the part meets these requirements, no action is required as the distortion does not affect the function of the parts.

For fitting instructions refer to Topix, section 102-03: Rear Mudflaps.

Note: this is a short term communication whilst the parts conditions are improved.

**Version :** 1

**Attachments :** [mudflap distorting pict 1.jpg](#)  
[mudflap distortion main surface pict 3.jpg](#)  
[mudflap distortion pict 2.jpg](#)