

## **IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL #2020040019**

This notice applies to your vehicle Description of Auto-P Function NHTSA Recall #20V180 Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC Robert Veit Managing Director Vans USA

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- · A remedy is available for your vehicle.
- Schedule an appointment with your authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer as soon as possible.
- This repair will be provided free of charge.

Dear Mercedes-Benz Sprinter 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 2019 Sprinter vehicles. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population of vehicles.

## What is the CONCERN?

MBAG determined that certain Mercedes-Benz Sprinter vans with automatic transmission does not correctly specify certain conditions under which the automatic parking function ("Auto-P") operates. The Operator's Manual describes certain functions which would automatically engage the park position "P" if (1) the driver opens the seat belt buckle or (2) the driver leaves the seat when the vehicle is stationary or driving at very low speed. However, this functionality is not available in the affected Sprinter vehicles. Should a customer rely on the Auto-P function as described in the Operator's Manual, the possibility of vehicle rollaway or movement cannot be ruled out which could increase the risk of a crash.

What will your DEALER DO?

An authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer will add a supplementary booklet with a correct description of the Auto-P function to the Operator's Manual, which is already in the vehicle. The supplementary booklet is also available on-line at <a href="www.mbvans.com/sprinter/owners-resources/owner-manuals">www.mbvans.com/sprinter/owners-resources/owner-manuals</a>. This service will be <a href="provided free of charge">provided free of charge</a>. We are dedicated to always delivering the best customer experience, and respect for your time is a top priority. While the minimum repair time can be up to approximately 10 minutes, 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 Mercedes-Benz Sprinter dealer will also check for other repair measures which might be applicable to your vehicle which may increase the required working time.

## What should YOU DO?



To find the most convenient authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer from your smartphone, scar the QR code to the left.

Information for Owners

For additional information and to schedule an appointment, please contact your preferred authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer at your earliest convenience. To locate authorized dealers see

www.mbvans.com/sprinter/shopping-tools/find-a-dealer. Please mention you are scheduling an appointment to add a supplementary booklet with a correct description of the Auto-P function under Recall Campaign # 2020040019.

You may be asked for your 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) which for your convenience is located above your name at the top of this letter.

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.

A VIN-based recall lookup tool on our MBVans.com website now offers a search feature that will indicate whether a vehicle has been subject to a safety recall, and whether that vehicle has had the free remedy performed. See <a href="https://www.mbvans.com/sprinter/owners-resources/recall">www.mbvans.com/sprinter/owners-resources/recall</a>. Should you have any questions or encounter any difficulty regarding this Recall Campaign, please contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz 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-(800) FOR-MERCEDES (1-800-367-6372).

If an authorized Mercedes-Benz Sprinter 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 <a href="http://www.safercar.gov">http://www.safercar.gov</a>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause you.

Sincerely,

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## **IMPORTANT**

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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