

Part 573 Safety Recall Report

21V-034

Manufacturer Name : Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC**Submission Date :** MAR 22, 2021**NHTSA Recall No. :** 21V-034**Manufacturer Recall No. :** 2021020004**Manufacturer Information :**

Manufacturer Name : Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

Address : 13470 International Parkway

Jacksonville FL 32218

Company phone : 1-877-496-3691

Population :

Number of potentially involved : 231

Estimated percentage with defect : 100 %

Vehicle Information :

Vehicle 1 : 2021-2021 Mercedes-Benz A220

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Mercedes-Benz MY2021 A220 118 vehicles.

The recall population was determined through production records. Vehicles outside of the recall population have right anchoring bars included in the ISOFIX brackets for the right rear seats.

Production Dates : JUL 30, 2020 - AUG 11, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 2 : 2021-2021 Mercedes-Benz CLA250

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Mercedes-Benz MY2021 CLA250 107 vehicles.

The recall population was determined through production records. Vehicles outside of the recall population have right anchoring bars included in the ISOFIX brackets for the right rear seats.

Production Dates : JUL 30, 2020 - AUG 11, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

 Not sequential

Vehicle 3 : 2021-2021 Mercedes-Benz A35 AMG

Vehicle Type : LIGHT VEHICLES

Body Style : 4-DOOR

Power Train : GAS

Descriptive Information : Mercedes-Benz MY21 A35 6 vehicles.

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Production Dates : JUL 30, 2020 - AUG 11, 2020

VIN Range 1 : Begin :

NR

End : NR

Not sequential

Description of Defect :

Description of the Defect : Mercedes-Benz AG ("MBAG"), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles, has determined that on certain Model Year ("MY") 2021 CLA-Class vehicles (118 platform) and A-Class vehicles (177 platform), the right anchoring bar of the ISOFIX bracket on the right rear seat for attaching the child restraint to the ISOFIX bracket might be missing.

FMVSS 1 : NR

FMVSS 2 : NR

Description of the Safety Risk : If the right anchoring bar of the ISOFIX bracket for the right rear seat is missing, the child restraint cannot be properly secured to the seat using the ISOFIX securing system, increasing the risk of injury for a child in the child restraint.

Description of the Cause : Due to a production deviation at a supplier, a certain batch of the affected ISOFIX brackets might not meet current production specifications.

Identification of Any Warning that can Occur : The customer may become aware of the issue by visual inspection of the ISOFIX securing system. Additionally, the customer may notice that he or she may only be able to secure the child restraint on one side of the seat, rather than both sides of the seat as described in the owner's manual.

Involved Components :

Component Name 1 : ISOFIX Bracket

Component Description : ISOFIX Bracket

Component Part Number : A1779201800

Supplier Identification :

Component Manufacturer

Name : Adient Metal Forming Technologies GmbH
Address : Mühlenstraße 21
Solingen Foreign States 42699
Country : Germany

Chronology :

In August 2020, MBAG launched an initial investigation based on a discovery in the plant assembly process regarding a potential deviation from current production specifications of an ISOFIX bracket. MBAG analyzed the root cause of the deviation and determined that a certain batch of ISOFIX brackets could be missing a handle and might not meet current production specifications. In October and November 2020 MBAG analyzed impacts of a missing handle in the ISOFIX bracket and any warning that may be noticed by the customer. In January 2021, MBAG reviewed the collected information. On January 22 2021, MBAG determined that a potential safety risk cannot be ruled out and decided to conduct a recall on the potentially affected vehicles.

Description of Remedy :

Description of Remedy Program : An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will check the rear right side ISOFIX bracket on the affected vehicles and replace the bracket, if necessary.

Pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 577.11(e), MBUSA does not plan to provide notice about pre-notice reimbursement to owners since none of the involved vehicles would have been previously subject to the condition described and all remain covered under the new vehicle warranty.

How Remedy Component Differs from Recalled Component : ISOFIX bracket produced according to current production specifications.
ISOFIX Bracket - A1779201800

Identify How/When Recall Condition was Corrected in Production : A change in the production procedure of our supplier ensures that this issue can no longer occur from Sep 14, 2020 onwards.

Recall Schedule :

Description of Recall Schedule : Dealers will be notified of the pending voluntary recall campaign on February 5, 2021. Owners will be notified of the voluntary recall campaign approximately one week after launch to the dealers on

March 16, 2021. A copy of all communications will be provided when available.

Planned Dealer Notification Date : FEB 05, 2021 - NR

Planned Owner Notification Date : MAR 16, 2021 - NR

* NR - Not Reported