



IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL 2021120016
 This notice applies to your vehicle, VIN: [REDACTED]
 Check the Power Steering Electrical Connection
 NHTSA Recall #21V989

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC

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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 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 a certain Model Year ("MY") 2020 CLA-Class vehicle. Our records indicate that your vehicle is included in the affected population.

What is the CONCERN?

In a certain Model Year ("MY") 2020 CLA-Class vehicle, the power supply connection to the electric power steering might have been contaminated with melted adhesive. In this case, adhesive aging might lead to a loss of the adhesion strength and subsequently result in a loose connection which, in turn, might result in an interruption of the power supply. As a consequence, the power steering assist might fail suddenly while driving, which could increase the risk of a crash. Should this occur, a red power steering warning message will be displayed in the instrument cluster and the driver might experience increased steering forces.

What will your DEALER DO?

An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will inspect the power steering supply connection on the affected vehicle and repair it, if necessary. **This service will be provided free of charge.** 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 less than 1.5 hours, 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 dealer will also check for other repair measures which might be applicable to your vehicle and this may increase the required working time.

What should YOU DO?



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

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.MBUSA.com/recall. **Please mention you are scheduling an appointment to check the power steering supply connection under Recall Campaign # 2021120016.** 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.

Impacts from COVID-19: Your health and safety remain our top priority. The Mercedes-Benz dealerships remaining open for recall repairs and service are closely following the guidelines set forth by the CDC. **Free Mobile Repair** at your home or business as well as vehicle pick-up and delivery may be available. Your preferred authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer can confirm availability.

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.

Information for Owners

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 MBUSA.com website 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 www.mbusa.com/recall. 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 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>.

We apologize for any inconvenience this situation may cause you.

Sincerely,

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