

Campaign No. 2023070015, August 2023

TO: ALL MERCEDES-BENZ CENTERS

SUBJECT: Model C-Class (206 platform) Model Year 2022-2023

<u>Recall Campaign Bulletin</u>

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Inspect Transmission Wiring Harness Routing

Mercedes-Benz AG ("MBAG"), the manufacturer of Mercedes-Benz vehicles, has determined that on certain Model Year ("MY") 2022-2023 C-Class (206 platform) vehicles with 4MATIC, the length of the transmission wiring harness might not meet current specifications. In this case, the transmission wiring harness could chafe on the front drive shaft, which could potentially damage the wiring harness and result in a loss of vehicle propulsion. This might increase the risk of a crash. If the failure occurs, the driver would be made aware through a warning message (e.g. "Transmission Malfunction Stop", "Drive Malfunction Stop Restart Vehicle", "Drive Malfunction Stop Contact Dealer", or "Service Required Do Not Change Transmission Position") in the instrument cluster. An authorized Mercedes-Benz dealer will inspect the transmission wiring harness routing on the affected vehicles and rework it, if necessary.

Prior to performing this Campaign:

- VMI must be checked before performing campaigns to verify that the campaign is required on a specific vehicle. Always check for any other open campaigns, and perform accordingly.
- Please review the entire Campaign bulletin and follow the repair procedure exactly as described.

Approximately 8,178 vehicles are affected.

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Test Procedure

1. Remove rear engine compartment lining (A, Figure 1). i For basic information, see AR61.20-P-1105WT.

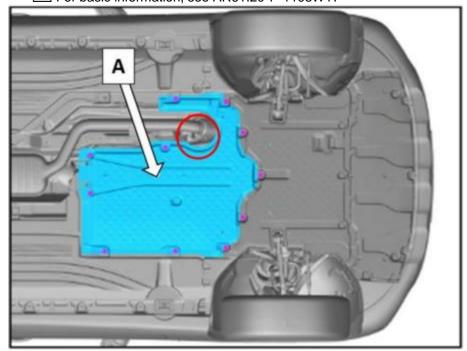


Figure 1

- 1 The electrical wiring harnesses *must not* contact the drive shaft or the transfer case for the front axle differential!

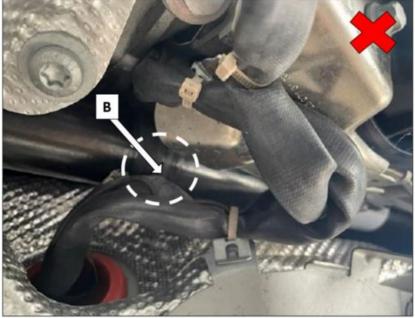
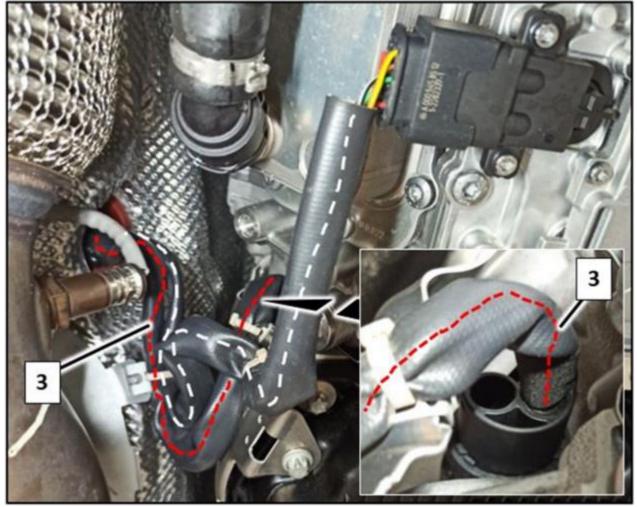


Figure 2, condition not OK

- a. If the electrical wiring harness is in contact but *not damaged*: Carry out **Work Procedure 1**.
- b. If the electrical wiring harness is in contact and *is damaged*: Carry out Work Procedure 2.
- c. If the electrical power supply line (3, Figure 3) (Cable cross section 10 mm²) is damaged: Carry out Work Procedure 3.
- d. If the electrical wiring harness is *routed correctly*: End measure.





i The electrical wiring harness is in contact but *not damaged!*

1. Cut cable tie at first clip (5, Figure 4).



Figure 4

- Adjust length of electrical wiring harnesses between red grommet (1, Figure 4) to first clip (5, Figure 4) as shown.
 The length must between 90 mm and max. 100 mm. The electrical wiring harnesses may not be in contact!
- 2. Fasten both electrical wiring harnesses to the first clip with a new cable tie (5, Figure 4).
 1 Check whether both electrical wiring harnesses are in contact at a different location. If so, carry out further corrective measures.

I The electrical wiring harness may not be in contact at *any point*!

3. Assemble in reverse order.

Work Procedure 2

i If the electrical wiring harness is in contact and *is damaged.*

i Carry out the following procedure:

i If only the protective hose is slightly damaged:

- 1. Wrap fabric tape around affected area.
- Route the electrical wiring harness (2, Figure 5) correctly as shown.
 The electrical wiring harness (2, Figure 5) may not be in contact at any point!

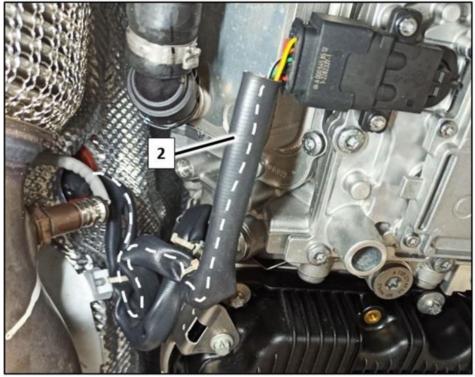


Figure 5

3. Assemble in reverse order.

i If one or more of the electrical signal lines (cable cross section 0.35 mm² or 0.75 mm²) in the electrical wiring harness (2, Figure 5) are damaged:

1. Repair the affected electrical signal line (cable cross section 0.35 mm² or 0.75 mm²) in the electrical wiring harness (2, Figure 5) using a line connector.

i For basic information, see AR00.19-P-0100A.

I To do this, cut the protective hose and, once repaired, connect the two ends of the protective hose with fabric tape by means of line connectors.

2. Route electrical wiring harness (2, Figure 5) correctly as shown.

i The electrical wiring harness (2, Figure 5) may not be in contact at any point!

3. Assemble in reverse order.

Work Procedure 3

i If the electrical power supply line (3, Figures 6 and 7) (cable cross section 10 mm²) is damaged, replace electrical supply line

(3, Figures 6 and 7):

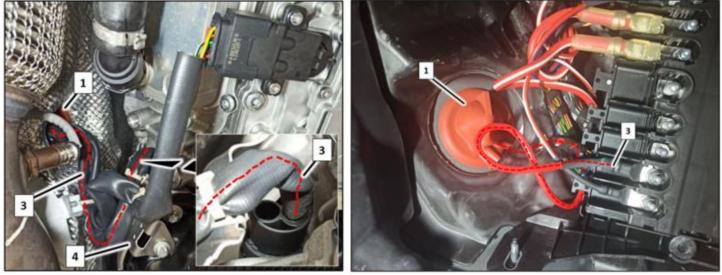


Figure 6

Figure 7

Use the following procedure to do this:

- Disconnect ground line of battery of 12 V on-board electrical system.
 I For basic information, see AR54.10-P-0051WT.
- 2. Remove protective metal sheet (4, Figure 6).
- 3. Disconnect electrical power supply line (3, figure 6) from electrical connector.
- Remove front floor covering on the passenger side.
 I For basic information, see AR68.80-P-0008WT.
- 5. Remove electrical power supply line (3, Figures 6 and 7) with grommet (1, Figures 6 and 7).
- Replace electrical power supply line (3, Figures 6 and 7).
 The electrical wiring harness may not be in contact at *any point*!
- 7. Assemble in reverse order.

Primary Parts Information

| Qty. | Part Name | Part Number | |
|--------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| As required (1)*** | Fabric tape 25 m roll | A 007 989 07 85 08 | |
| As required | Line connector | ** | |
| As required | Cable tie | A 000 995 25 94 | |
| As required (1)* | Model 206 transmission wiring harness | * | |
| As required (1)* | Model 206 transmission wiring harness (Code M254+421+(550/554) + (M005) | * | |

* The required transmission wiring harness can be found in the Xentry parts process under the main group 54 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS in Picture chart 545 – Picture number 700.

** The required line connector can be found in the Xentry parts process under the main group **54 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS** in **Picture chart 019** contacting parts.

*** One 25 m roll of fabric tape is sufficient for at least 10 vehicles.

ISmall parts such as screws, lock nuts, sealing rings, cable ties, fluids, sealant, etc. are not listed in the parts list. The required small parts are taken into account in the budgeting.

Note: The following allowable labor operation should be used when submitting a warranty claim for this repair.

Warranty Information

| Damage Code | Operation Number | Description | Labor Time (hrs.) |
|----------------|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| 54 913 16 | 12-1810 | Operations: Check electrical wiring harness in the area of the drive shaft and transfer case Includes: Remove/install rear section of lower engine compartment lining | 0.3 |
| | 12-1811 | Operations: Fasten electrical wiring harness with a cable tie (after check) Work Procedure 1 | 0.1 |
| | 12-1812 | Operations: Wrap affected electrical wiring harness with fabric tape and route correctly (after check) As required. In addition to Work Procedure 1 | 0.1 |
| | 12-1813 | Operations: Repair affected electrical signal lines using line connector (after check) As required. In addition to Work Procedure 1 | ZM |
| | 12-1814 | Operations: Replace affected electrical power supply line (after check) Models 206.005/007/043/047/087 Includes: Disconnect/install ground line at 12 V battery, remove/install front passenger side floor covering | 1.0 |
| | 12-1814 | Operations: Replace affected electrical power supply line (after check) <i>Models 206.055/056/080</i> Includes: Disconnect/install ground line at 12 V battery, remove/install front passenger side floor covering | 0.9 |

Note: Always check Xentry Operation Time (XOT) for the current OP-Code times. Labor times are subject to change and updates may not be reflected in this document.