



Service Booklet

PLEASE NOTE

SERVICE, REPLACEMENT, OR REPAIR OF THE EMISSION CONTROL DEVICES AND SYSTEMS MAY BE PERFORMED BY ANY AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR ESTABLISHMENT OR INDIVIDUAL USING CERTIFIED PARTS.

THE USE OF DEFECTIVE OR NON-EQUIVALENT PARTS MAY RESULT IN YOUR EMISSION PERFORMANCE WARRANTY CLAIM BEING DENIED.

WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND, HOWEVER, TO HAVE YOUR VEHICLE SERVICED BY YOUR AUTHORIZED MERCEDES-BENZ CENTER WHO IS FULLY EQUIPPED TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE.

Model	License Plate No.	
Vehicle Identification No.	License Plate No.	
Date of registration	License Plate No.	
Paint No.	License Plate No.	



Notes:		

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Introduction



We want you to enjoy your Mercedes-Benz automobile. Vehicle safety and operational reliability are two very important factors and to maintain them, a certain amount of service work is necessary.

The Mercedes-Benz Flexible Service System includes all the necessary work to be carried out.

The vehicle comes equipped with the Flexible Service System (FSS) which is explained in detail in the Operator's Manual.

The next necessary service is indicated in the instrument cluster.

According to the vehicle past performance, your Mercedes-Benz Center will recommend the service work necessary, meaning that your vehicle will be maintained according to your driving style.

We continuously strive to improve our product, and ask for your understanding that we reserve the right to make changes in the service work.

There are two groups, a ("minor" =) A-service, and a ("major" =) B-service. Under normal circumstances the driven distance between services is an average of approximately 12 000 miles, and the A and B-services alternate.

Exception: A B-service is followed by another B-service, if the FSS calculates an oil change interval of 14 000 miles or more.

Service work not mileage dependent is listed in section "Additional Work to be Performed."

A detail listing of service jobs is contained in this booklet following the service records.

Special Service Measures

Brake fluid should be replaced every two years, preferably in the spring, see page 26. It is recommended to use only brake fluid approved by Mercedes-Benz.

A reminder for the next scheduled brake fluid replacement is affixed in the engine compartment.

Coolant should be checked for sufficient protection before the start of and during the hot and cold seasons. Have the coolant (water/anticorrosion/antifreeze mixture) replaced every three years.

Dust filter should be replaced at the scheduled service. Under severe dust conditions, or with the Automatic Climate Control frequently operating in the air recirculation mode, the dust filter should be replaced correspondingly sooner.

The performance of all scheduled service work is required to maintain your vehicle in good operating condition and is essential to keep your warranty valid. While we do not insist that such work be performed by a factory-authorized Mercedes-Benz Center, we strongly recommend to have an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center do such work because they are equipped with the tools, instruments, literature, and trained personnel necessary for correct and systematic performance of these jobs.

Spare Parts/Operating Materials



We recommend to use only Mercedes-Benz parts for service and repairs, since they meet our specifications. It is also important to use only fuels, lubricants and anticorrosion/antifreeze coolant meeting factory specifications. See your Mercedes-Benz Center for more information on this subject.

Routine Checks

In addition to the services, we recommend that you check the following items regularly and prior to any long trip:

Engine oil level – at regular intervals (such as every fuel stop).

Coolant level

Fluid level of brake system

If brake fluid has to be added, see an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center to determine the cause, e.g. leaks or worn brake pads.

Windshield washing system – add washer fluid mixed with Mercedes-Benz windshield washer solvent/concentrate, test function and check wiper blades.

Tire pressure - at least every other week.

Service Records

Your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center will certify in the service booklet that all services have been carried out.

The next service is indicated in the instrument cluster (see chapter "Flexible Service System" in your Operator's Manual).

Following each A or B-service your Mercedes-Benz Center will reset the FSS counter.

Note:

The FSS counter is not reset at time of oil change only.

Service work does not include repair jobs.

For information concerning warranty, see your Service and Warranty Information Booklet.

Your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center will gladly furnish additional information on the maintenance of your vehicle.

We extend our best wishes for many miles of safe, pleasurable driving.

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Emission System Maintenance



The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency and, in California, the Air Resources Board have certified that the emission control system of your vehicle meets exhaust emission standards for 2001. This vehicle also complies with the Canadian Motor Vehicle Emission Standards.

To be certain that the emission control system functions as designed, regular maintenance is necessary for all components of the vehicle which affect exhaust emission composition.

The vehicle owner is responsible for the regular maintenance of the emission control system, as well as the use of premium unleaded gasoline with an anti-knock index of at least 91 (displayed on the pump) in all models.

Refer to your Service and Warranty Information booklet and Operator's Manual for additional information.

Failure to properly maintain the emission system may result in repairs not being covered by the emission systems warranty.

Explanations of each maintenance job are given in numerical order on page 28.

Emission Control System Caution

Your Mercedes-Benz is equipped with both a three-way catalyst and a closed loop oxygen sensor system to comply with current exhaust emission regulations. Keep your vehicle in proper operating condition by following our recommended maintenance instructions as outlined.

The following has to be adhered to:

- a. In all models, use only premium unleaded gasoline with an anti-knock index of at least 91 (as displayed on the pump). Damage to the engine could occur if premium unleaded fuel is not used. Refer to the Operator's Manual for special precautions.
- b. Leaded gasoline should not be used under any circumstances. Damage to the emission control components will result.
- c. The specified engine maintenance jobs have to be performed completely and at the required intervals.
 Correct ignition timing and properly functioning spark plugs for instance are important for the service life of the catalysts. Failure to properly perform the specified maintenance jobs may adversely affect the emission control system on the vehicle and reduce its service life.

- d. The operation of the emission control system must not be altered in any way. Alterations are not permissible by law. In addition, alterations may result in damage to the catalysts, increased fuel consumption and impaired engine running conditions.
- e. Irregular engine running conditions should be corrected immediately by an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. Such irregular running conditions can influence the proper function of the emission control system.

"CHECK ENGINE" indicator lamp in the instrument cluster: If the lamp comes on when the engine is running, it indicates a malfunction of the engine management system or emission control system.

We recommend that you have the malfunction checked as soon as possible.

Pre-delivery Inspection Confirmation



Carried out in compliance with manufacturer's instructions

Rubber stamp

Date

Signature

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Spark plugs			Spark plugs		
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If you wish to retain continuous proof that your vehicle has been properly maintained, please request a new service booklet from your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

Required Vehicle Service Work (including Emission System Maintenance)

A-Service B-Service

Notes:

For description of emission system maintenance jobs, see page 28.

The four digit-numbers next to the maintenance jobs are reference numbers of the detailed maintenance job descriptions listed in the MB Maintenance Manual used by MB technicians.



A-Service

Interior		Engine compartment	
Function check		Engine oil and filter change	0101
Check Tele Aid function Warning and indicator lamps, horn Headlamps and exterior lamps Windshield/headlamp, wiper and washer systems Check seat belts for damage Reset FSS counter Heating and ventilation: Replace dust filter Models 170, 203, 208, 210	9150 8381	Check and correct fluid level If there is a loss of fluid, determine cause and perform repair with separate work order Engine coolant/antifreeze protection Brake system Windshield/headlamp washing system Lubricating engine hood (Models 129, 170, 208, 210) Inspect hood latch and safety latch for	2010 4210 8210 8821
Wheels		proper operation (Models 203, 215, 220)	
Correct tire pressure		Trunk	
		Check and correct tire pressure (spare) Except Model 170	

B-Service

Brake test, parking brake check	4290	Wheels, brakes	
Interior		Inspect, rotate wheels Except vehicles with different	4050
Function check		tire sizes front/rear	
Check Tele Aid function		Inspect tires and record tread depth	4051
Warning and indicator lamps, horn		Correct tire pressure	
Headlamps and exterior lamps		Check brake pad thickness	4251
Windshield/headlamp, wiper and washer systems	8252	Check condition of brake discs	4251
Check seat belts for damage	9150	Underside of Car	
Reset FSS counter		If there is a loss of fluid, determine cause	
Heating and ventilation: Replace dust filter	8381	and perform repair with separate work order	
Models 170, 203, 208, 210, 215, 220		Inspect condition of components,	0053
Check and correct fluid level		lines and hoses for chafe marks,	
Battery		leaks, missing parts and proper routing	
Model 210		Check front axle ball joints	3353
		Check steering play	4650



Engine compartment			8381
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Check and correct fluid level		Body	
If there is a loss of fluid, determine cause and perform repair with separate work order Engine coolant/antifreeze protection Level control, ADS (Model 210 wagon) Active Body Control Models 215, 220	2010 3211 3213	Check condition of headlamp wiper blades (Model 129) Replace windshield wiper insert(s)	8252 8280 8210
Brake system	4210	Check and correct fluid level	
Power steering Battery Models 170, 203 Windshield/headlamp washing system	4611 8210	Battery Models 129, 208, 215, 220 Correct tire pressure Except Model 170	
Poly-V-belt (engine): Check for condition* Inspect and lubricate throttle linkage (Except Models 215, 220)	1351 3022	* Mercedes-Benz urges that this procedure be performed to maintain p performance although it is not required to maintain your emission wa and will not affect Mercedes-Benz's recall liability.	

Additional Work to be Performed together with the Respective Service

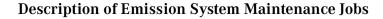
Once at more than 15 000 miles		At approximately every 60000 miles or 4 years.			
Parking brake: Adjust Model 129 At approximately every 30 000 miles or 4 years.	4261	Underside of Car Fuel filter: Replace 078 Engines Replacement not required at 60000 miles*	30		
Underside of Car		Engine compartment			
Inspect parking brake cables Model 129	4256	Air filter: Replace element			
At approximately every 50 000 miles or 4 years		At approximately every 60000 miles or 5 years.			
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Underside of Car Inspect drive shaft flex discs	4152	Replace activated charcoal filter 838 Models 210, 215, 220	32		
Observe tightening torque!		, ,			
Retighten steering gear bolts	4671				
Models 129, 170		* Mercedes-Benz urges that this procedure be performed to maintain peak performance although it is not required to maintain your emission warra and will not affect Mercedes-Benz's recall liability.			

Additional Work to be Performed together with the Respective Service – Required Separate Order



Every 2 years		Every 3 years	
Replace brake fluid	4280	Replace coolant	2080
Inspect suspension and body structure	0090	Water/anticorrosion/antifreeze mixture	
Inspect body for paint damage	9850	Sliding roof: Grease and slightly clean rails Except Models 129, 170	7731
Spark plug intervals		Replace auxiliary battery for TeleAid system	8281
Replace spark plugs	1580	Model 203	
Spark plugs are subject to erosion and must be		At approximately every 60000 miles	
replaced according to schedule on page 27		4 years	
		Check condition of fuel filler nozzle seal in filler neck, replace if damaged Models 129, 170, 203, 210, 215, 220	4751

Spark plug intervals	Model	SLK230	C240 C320 CLK320 E320 SLK320	CLK430 E430 S430 S500 CL500 SL500 CL55AMG CLK55AMG E55AMG S55AMG	SL600	S600 CL600
Replace spark plugs 1580	Engine	111 ML EVO	112	113	120	137
At approximately every 60 000 miles or 5 years.					•	•
At approximately every 100000 miles or 5 years.		•	•	•		





The composition of exhaust emissions is influenced not only by the special emission control equipment, but also by various engine components and their adjustments.

Therefore, emission system maintenance must include these engine components. Some maintenance jobs are actually only tests. They are important however, because they allow early detection of discrepancies which can later lead to increased exhaust emissions. It is generally less expensive to have such items adjusted immediately rather than allowing them to contribute to costly repairs.

The maintenance intervals have been determined so that the vehicle, under normal conditions, should operate properly between services.

0101 Engine: Oil change and filter change

Change the engine oil and oil filter at least once every year. If oil consumption should increase, determine the cause and take necessary corrective steps.

Reset FSS counter.

0780 Replace fuel filter*

Replace the fuel filter approximately every 60 000 miles or 4 years.

0980 Replace air filter element

Under normal dust conditions, replace air filter element approximately every 60 000 miles or 4 years. Clean air filter cover and housing

1351 Check engine Poly-V-belt condition

The Poly-V-belt is subject to wear and aging. It must be checked for cracks and wear.

Replace Poly-V-belt if necessary.

1580 Replace sparks plugs

Sparks plugs are subject to electrode erosion and must be replaced according to schedule on page 27.

* Mercedes-Benz urges that this procedure be performed to maintain peak performance although it is not required to maintain your emission warranty and will not affect Mercedes-Benz's recall liability.

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