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Operator's Manual



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- 1 This symbol indicates useful instructions or further information that could be helpful to you.

- This symbol designates an instruction you must follow.
- Several consecutive symbols indicate an instruction with several steps.
- (> page) This symbol tells you where you can find further information on a topic.
- This symbol indicates a warning or an instruction that is continued on the next page.
- Display This font indicates a display message in the multifunction display/COMAND display.

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Before you drive off, please familiarize yourself with your vehicle and read this manual, especially the safety and warning notes. This will help you to obtain the maximum pleasure from your vehicle and avoid endangering yourself and others.

The equipment or model designation of your vehicle may differ according to:

- model
- order
- · country variant
- availability

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Mercedes-Benz therefore reserves the right to introduce changes in the following areas:

- design
- equipment
- · technical features

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The following are integral components of the vehicle:

- Operator's Manual
- Maintenance Booklet
- Equipment-dependent supplements

Keep these documents in the vehicle at all times. If you sell the vehicle, always pass the documents on to the new owner.

The technical documentation team at Daimler AG wishes you safe and pleasant motoring.

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#### **Product information**

Mercedes-Benz recommends that you use genuine Mercedes-Benz parts, conversion parts and accessories that have been approved for the type of vehicle.

Mercedes-Benz tests genuine parts as well as conversion parts and accessories which have been specifically approved for your vehicle for their reliability, safety and suitability. Despite ongoing market research, Mercedes-Benz is unable to assess other parts. Therefore, Mercedes-Benz accepts no responsibility for the use of such parts in Mercedes-Benz vehicles, even if they have been independently or officially approved. The use of non-approved parts could affect your vehicle's operating safety. Mercedes-Benz therefore recommends that you use genuine Mercedes-Benz parts, conversion parts and accessories that have been approved for the type of vehicle. Genuine Mercedes-Benz parts, approved conversion parts and accessories are available from any authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. Here, you will receive advice about permissible technical modifications, and the parts will be professionally installed.

### Operator's Manual

#### Notes on the Operator's Manual

This Operator's Manual contains a great deal of helpful information. We urge you to read it carefully and familiarize yourself with the vehicle before driving.

For your own safety and longer service life of the vehicle, we urge you to follow the instructions and warnings contained in this Operator's Manual. Ignoring them could result in damage to the vehicle or personal injury to you or others. Vehicle damage caused by failure to follow instructions is not covered by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty.

### Vehicle equipment

This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of going to print. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safety-related systems and functions. The equipment in your vehicle may therefore differ from some of the descriptions or illustrations.

The original purchase agreement lists all systems installed in your vehicle.

Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center if you have any questions about equipment or operation.

The Operator's Manual and the Maintenance Booklet are important documents and should be kept in the vehicle.

## Service and vehicle operation

#### Service and literature

Your vehicle is covered under the terms of the warranties printed in the Service and Warranty Information booklet. Your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center will exchange or repair any defective parts originally installed in the vehicle in accordance with the terms of the following warranties:

- New Vehicle Limited Warranty
- Emission Systems Warranty
- Emission Performance Warranty
- California, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont Emission Control Systems Warranty
- State warranty enforcement laws (lemon laws)

# Information for customers in California

Under California law you may be entitled to a replacement of your vehicle or a refund of the purchase price or lease price, if after a reasonable number of repair attempts Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC and/or its authorized repair or service facilities fail to fix one or more substantial defects or malfunctions in the vehicle that are covered by its express warranty. During the period of 18 months from original delivery of the vehicle or the accumulation of 18 000 miles (approximately 29 000 km) on the odometer of the vehicle, whichever occurs first, a reasonable number of repair attempts is presumed for a retail buyer or lessee if one or more of the following occurs:

- (1) the same substantial defect or malfunction results in a condition that is likely to cause death or serious bodily injury if the vehicle is driven, that defect or malfunction has been subject to repair two or more times, and you have directly notified Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC in writing of the need for its repair.
- (2) the same substantial defect or malfunction of a less serious nature than category (1) has been subject to repair four or more times and you have directly notified Mercedes-Benz in writing of the need for its repair.
- (3) the vehicle is out of service by reason of repair of the same or different substantial defects or malfunctions for a cumulative total of more than 30 calendar days.

Please send your written notice to: Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC Customer Assistance Center One Mercedes Drive Montvale, NJ 07645-0350

#### Maintenance

The Service and Warranty Booklet describes all the necessary maintenance work which should be done at regular intervals.

Always have the Service and Warranty Booklet with you when you bring the vehicle to an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. The service advisor will record every service for you in the Service and Warranty Booklet.

#### Breakdown assistance

The Mercedes-Benz Roadside Assistance Program offers technical help in the event of a breakdown. Calls to the toll-free Roadside Assistance Hotline are answered by our agents 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

# 1-800-FOR-MERCedes(1-800-367-6372) (USA)

#### 1-800-387-0100 (Canada)

For additional information, refer to the Mercedes-Benz Roadside Assistance Program brochure (USA) or the "Roadside Assistance" section in the Service and Warranty booklet (Canada). You will find both in your vehicle literature portfolio.

# Change of address or change of ownership

If you sell your Mercedes, please leave the entire literature in the vehicle so that it is available to the next owner.

# Vehicle operation outside the USA and Canada

If you plan to operate your vehicle in foreign countries, please be aware that:

- service facilities or replacement parts may not be readily available.
- unleaded fuel for vehicles with a catalytic converter may not be available. Leaded fuel

may cause damage to the catalytic converter.

 the fuel may have a considerably lower octane rating. Unsuitable fuel can cause engine damage.

Some Mercedes-Benz models are available for delivery in Europe through our European Delivery Program. For details, consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or write to one of the following addresses.

#### In the USA

Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC European Delivery Department One Mercedes Drive Montvale, NJ 07645-0350

#### In Canada

Mercedes-Benz Canada, Inc. European Delivery Department 98 Vanderhoof Avenue Toronto, Ontario M4G 4C9

### **Operating safety**

### Safety notes

## **MARNING**

Work improperly carried out on electronic components and associated software could cause them to cease functioning. Because the vehicle's electronic components are interconnected, any modifications made may produce an undesired effect on other systems. Electronic malfunctions could seriously impair the operating safety of your vehicle.

Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center for repairs or modifications to electronic components.

Other improper work or modifications on the vehicle could also have a negative impact on the operating safety of the vehicle.

Some safety systems only function when the engine is running. You should therefore never turn off the engine while driving.

#### **↑** WARNING

Heavy blows against the vehicle underbody or tires/wheels may cause serious damage and impair the operating safety of your vehicle. Such blows can be caused, for example, by running over an obstacle, road debris or a pothole.

If you feel a sudden significant vibration or ride disturbance, or you suspect that damage to your vehicle has occurred:

- turn on your hazard warning flashers.
- slow down carefully.
- drive with caution to an area which is a safe distance from the road.

Inspect the vehicle underbody and tires/ wheels for possible damage. If the vehicle appears unsafe, have it towed to the nearest authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or other qualified maintenance or repair facility for further inspection or repairs.

### **Declarations of conformity**

## Vehicle components which receive and/or transmit radio waves

USA: "The wireless devices of this vehicle comply with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: 1) These devices may not cause harmful interference, and 2) These devices must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment."

Canada: "The wireless devices of this vehicle comply with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) These devices

may not cause interference, and (2) These devices must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device."

### **Diagnostics connection**



### **↑** WARNING

If you connect equipment to the diagnostics connection, it can affect the operation of the vehicle systems. This can impair the operating safety of your vehicle while driving. There is a risk of accident.

Do not connect any equipment to the diagnostics connection.



#### **↑** WARNING

Loose equipment or equipment cables that are connected to the diagnostics connection can obstruct the area around the pedals. The equipment or the cables could get between the pedals in the event of sudden braking or acceleration. As a result, the movement of the pedals may be impaired. There is a risk of accident.

Do not attach any equipment or cables in the driver footwell.

If the engine is switched off and equipment on the diagnostics connection is used, the starter battery may discharge.

The diagnostics connection is only intended for the connection of diagnostic equipment at a qualified specialist workshop.

Connecting equipment to the diagnostics connection can, for example, lead to emissions monitoring information being reset. This may lead to the vehicle failing to meet the requirements of the next emissions test during the main inspection.

#### Qualified specialist workshop

An authorized Mercedes-Benz Center is a qualified specialist workshop. It has the

necessary specialist knowledge, tools and qualifications to correctly carry out the work required on your vehicle. This is especially the case for work relevant to safety.

Observe the notes in the Maintenance Booklet.

Always have the following work carried out at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center:

- · work relevant to safety
- service and maintenance work
- repair work
- · alterations, installation work and modifications
- work on electronic components

#### Correct use



#### **↑** WARNING

There are various warning stickers affixed to your vehicle. Their purpose is to alert you and others to various dangers. Therefore, do not remove any warning stickers unless the sticker clearly states that you may do so.

If you remove any warning stickers, you or others could fail to recognize certain dangers and be injured.

When driving your vehicle observe the following information:

- · the safety notes in this manual
- the "Technical data" section in this manual
- · traffic rules and regulations
- laws and safety standards pertaining to motor vehicles

## Problems with your vehicle

If you should experience a problem with your vehicle, particularly one that you believe may affect its safe operation, we urge you to contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center immediately to have the problem diagnosed and rectified. If the problem is not resolved to your satisfaction, please discuss the problem

again with a Mercedes-Benz Center or contact us at one of the following addresses.

#### In the USA

Customer Assistance Center Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC One Mercedes Drive Montvale, NJ 07645-0350

#### In Canada

Customer Relations Department Mercedes-Benz Canada, Inc. 98 Vanderhoof Avenue Toronto, Ontario M4G 4C9

# Reporting malfunctions relevant to safety

USA only:

The following text is reproduced as required of all manufacturers according to Title 49, Code of U.S. Federal Regulations, Part 575 pursuant to the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966.

#### Reporting safety defects

If you believe that your vehicle has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation, and if it finds that a safety defect exists in a group of vehicles, it may order a recall and remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in individual problems between you, your dealer, or Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC.

To contact NHTSA, you may call the Vehicle Safety Hotline toll-free at

1-888-327-4236(TTY: 1-800-424-9153); go

to http://www.safercar.gov; or write to: Administrator, NHTSA Headquarters, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, West Building, Washington, DC 20590.

You can obtain additional information about vehicle safety from:

http://www.safercar.gov.

### **Limited Warranty**

I Follow the instructions in this manual about the proper operation of your vehicle as well as about possible vehicle damage. Damage to your vehicle that arises from culpable contraventions against these instructions is not covered either by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty or by the New or Used-Vehicle Warranty.

### Data stored in the vehicle

# Information about electronic data acquisition in the vehicle

(Including notice pursuant to California Code § 9951)

Your vehicle records electronic data. If your vehicle is equipped with mbrace<sup>1</sup>, data is transmitted in the event of an accident.

This information helps, for example, to test vehicle systems after an accident and to continually improve vehicle safety.

Daimler AG can access this data and submit it:

- for safety research or vehicle diagnosis purposes
- with the consent of the vehicle owner.
- on the instruction of prosecuting authorities
- for use in arbitration of disputes that involve Daimler AG, its affiliates or its sales and service organizations
- as otherwise required or permitted by law.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The system is called TELE AID in Canada.

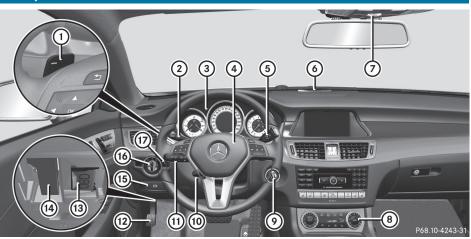
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Please observe the mbrace<sup>1</sup> purchase agreement for further details on the recording and transfer of data by this system.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mbox{\scriptsize 1}}$  The system is called TELE AID in Canada.

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# Cockpit

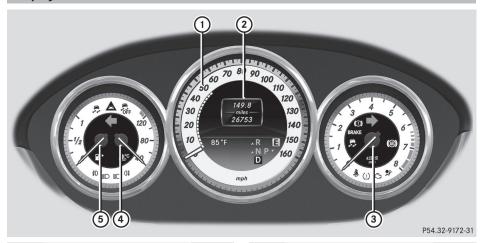


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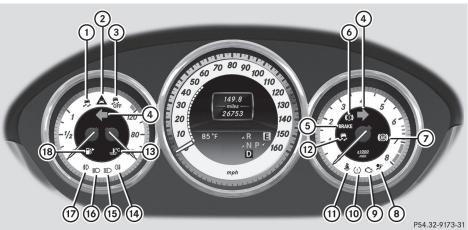


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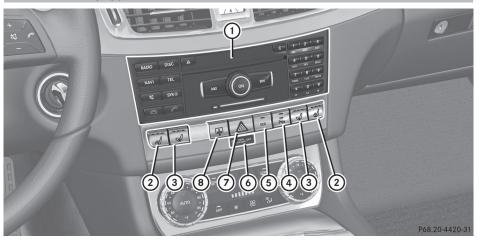


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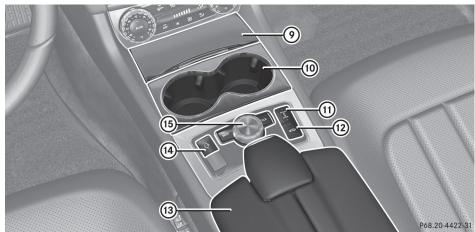
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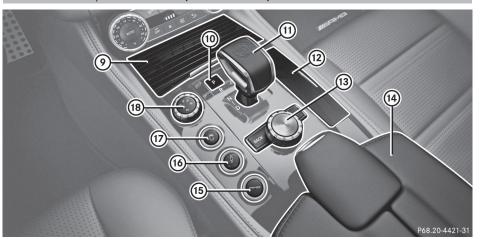
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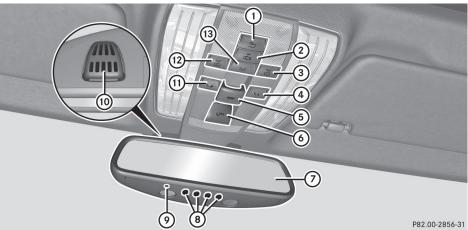
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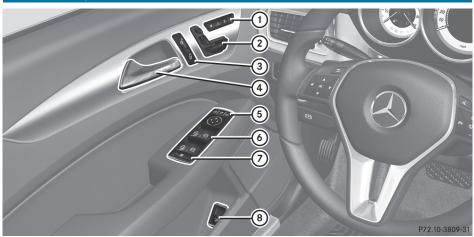


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### **Useful information**

- i This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safety-related systems and functions.
- 1 Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (> page 24).

### **Occupant safety**

# Overview of occupant safety

In this section, you will learn the most important facts about the restraint system components of the vehicle.

The restraint system consists of:

- · seat belts
- child restraint systems
- LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child seat anchors

Additional protection is provided by:

- SRS (Supplemental Restraint System)
- NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints
- PRE-SAFE®
- Air bag system components with:
  - PASSENGER AIR BAG OFF indicator lamp
  - front-passenger seat with Occupant Classification System (OCS)

The different air bag systems work independently of each other. The protective functions of the system work in conjunction with each other. Not all air bags are deployed in an accident.

# **↑** WARNING

Modifications to or work improperly conducted on restraint system components or their wiring, as well as tampering with

interconnected electronic systems, can lead to the restraint systems no longer functioning as intended.

Air bags or Emergency Tensioning Devices (ETDs), for example, could deploy inadvertently or fail to deploy in accidents although the deceleration threshold for air bag deployment is exceeded. Therefore, never modify the restraint systems. Do not tamper with electronic components or their software.

① See "Children in the vehicle" (▷ page 57) for more information on infants and children traveling with you in the vehicle and restraints for infants and children.

#### SRS (Supplemental Restraint System)

#### Introduction

SRS consists of:

- the SRS warning lamp
- air bags
- air bag control unit (with crash sensors)
- Emergency Tensioning Devices
- belt force limiters

SRS reduces the risk of occupants coming into contact with the vehicle's interior in the event of an accident. It can also reduce the effect of the forces to which occupants are subjected during an accident.

# **SRS** warning lamp

SRS functions are checked regularly when you switch on the ignition and when the engine is running. Therefore, malfunctions can be detected in good time.

The SRS warning lamp in the instrument cluster lights up when the ignition is switched on. It goes out no later than a few seconds after the engine is started.

The SRS components are in operational readiness if the SRS warning lamp is not lit while the engine is running.

# / WARNING

The SRS self-check has detected a malfunction if the SRS indicator lamp:

- · does not light up at all
- does not go out after approximately four seconds after the engine is started
- comes on after the engine was started or while driving.

For your safety, Mercedes-Benz strongly recommends that you have the system checked as soon as possible at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. SRS may otherwise fail to activate when it is needed in the event of an accident, which could lead to serious or fatal injuries. SRS might also be activated unexpectedly and unnecessarily, which could also result in injury.

In addition, work carried out improperly on SRS may render SRS inoperative or cause unintended air bag deployment. Work on the SRS system should only be carried out by qualified specialist personnel. Consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

If it is necessary to modify an air bag system to accommodate a person with disabilities, contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center for details. USA only: for further information contact our Customer Assistance center at 1-800-FOR-MERCedes (1-800-367-6372).

# Safety guidelines for seat belts, **Emergency Tensioning Devices (ETDs)** and air bags



# **↑** WARNING

• Damaged seat belts or seat belts that have been subjected to stress in an accident must be replaced. Their anchoring points must also be checked. Only use seat belts installed or supplied by an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

 Air bags and pyrotechnic Emergency Tensioning Devices (ETDs) contain perchlorate material, which may require special handling and regard for the environment. Check your national disposal guidelines. California residents, see

# www.dtsc.ca.gov/HazardousWaste/ Perchlorate/index.cfm.

- Air bags and ETDs are designed to function on a one-time-only basis. An air bag or ETD that has deployed must be replaced. PRE-SAFE® has electrically operated reversible belt tensioners in addition to the pyrotechnic ETDs.
- Do not pass seat belts over sharp edges. They could tear.
- Do not make any modification that could change the effectiveness of the seat belts.
- Do not bleach or dye seat belts as this may severely weaken them. In a crash they may not be able to provide adequate protection.
- No modifications of any kind may be made to any components or wiring of the SRS.
- Do not change or remove any component or part of the SRS.
- Do not install additional trim material, seat covers, badges, etc. to the:
  - padded steering wheel boss
  - knee bag covers
  - front-passenger air bag cover
  - outer side of front seat bolsters
- side trim next to the rear seat backrest
- roof lining trim
- Do not install additional electrical/ electronic equipment on or near SRS components and wiring.
- Keep area between air bags and occupants free of objects (e.g. packages, purses, umbrellas, etc.).
- Do not hang items such as coat hangers from the coat hooks or handles over the door. These items may be thrown around in

the vehicle and cause head and other injuries when the window curtain air bag is deployed.

- Air bag system components will be hot after an air bag has inflated. Do not touch them.
- Never place your feet on the instrument panel, dashboard, or on the seat. Always keep both feet on the floor in front of the seat.
- Improper repair work on the SRS creates a risk of rendering the SRS inoperative or causing unintended air bag deployment. Work on the SRS must therefore only be performed by qualified technicians. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.
- For your protection and the protection of others, when scrapping the air bag unit or ETD, our safety instructions must be followed. These instructions are available from any authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.
- Given the considerable deployment speed, required inflation volume, and the material of the air bags, there is the possibility of abrasions or other, potentially more serious injuries resulting from air bag deployment.

If you sell your vehicle, Mercedes-Benz strongly recommends that you inform the subsequent owner that the vehicle is equipped with SRS. Also, refer them to the applicable section in the Operator's Manual.

#### Air bags

#### Important safety notes

#### **↑** WARNING

Air bags are designed to reduce the incidence of injuries and fatalities in certain situations:

- frontal impacts (driver's and frontpassenger front air bags and knee bags)
- side impacts (side impact air bags, window curtain air bags and pelvis air bags)
- rollover (window curtain air bags)

However, no system available today can completely eliminate injuries and fatalities.

When the air bags are deployed, a small amount of powder is released. The powder generally does not constitute a health hazard and does not indicate that there is a fire in the vehicle. In order to prevent potential breathing difficulties, you should leave the vehicle as soon as it is safe to do so. If you have any breathing difficulty but cannot get out of the vehicle after the air bag inflates, then get fresh air by opening a window or door.



### **↑** WARNING

In order to reduce the potential danger of injuries caused during the deployment of the front air bags, the driver and front passenger must always be correctly seated and wear their seat belts.

For maximum protection in the event of a collision, you must always be in the normal seat position with your back against the backrest. Fasten your seat belt and make sure that it is correctly positioned on your body.

As the air bag inflates with considerable speed and force, a proper seating position and correct positioning of the hands on the steering wheel will help to keep you at a safe distance from the air bag. Occupants who are not wearing their seat belt, are not seated properly or are too close to the air bag can be seriously injured or killed by an air bag, as it inflates with great force instantaneously:

- sit with the seat belt fastened correctly and in a position that is as upright as possible with your back against the backrest.
- move the driver's seat as far back as possible, still permitting proper operation of vehicle controls. The distance from the center of the driver's chest to the center of the air bag cover on the steering wheel must be at least 10 inches (25 cm). You should be able to accomplish this by adjusting the seat and steering wheel. If you have any difficulties, please contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.
- do not lean your head or chest close to the steering wheel or dashboard.
- only hold the steering wheel on the outside. Placing hands and arms inside the rim can increase the risk and potential severity of hand/arm injury if the driver front air bag inflates.
- adjust the front-passenger seat as far back as possible from the dashboard when the seat is occupied.
- · occupants, especially children, should never place their bodies or lean their heads in the area of the door where the side impact air bag inflates. This could result in serious or fatal injuries should the side impact air bag be deployed. Always sit as upright as possible, wear the seat belt properly and use an appropriately sized infant restraint, toddler restraint or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child.

Failure to follow these instructions can result in severe injuries to you or other occupants.

If you sell your vehicle, it is important that you make the buyer aware of this safety information. Be sure to give the buyer this Operator's Manual.

### **↑** WARNING

Accident research shows that the safest place for children in an automobile is in a rear seat. A side impact air bag related injury may occur if occupants, especially children, are not properly seated or restrained when next to a side impact air bag which needs to deploy rapidly in a side impact in order to do its job. To help avoid the possibility of injury, please follow these guidelines:

- Always sit as upright as possible (1) and use the seat belts properly. Make sure that children 12 years old and under use an appropriately sized child restraint, infant restraint, or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child.
- Always wear seat belts properly. (2)

The air bags are only deployed if the air bag control unit detects the need for deployment. Only in the event of such a situation will they provide their supplemental protection.

The driver and passenger should always wear their seat belts. Otherwise, it is not possible for the air bags to provide their supplemental protection.

In the event of other types of impacts and impacts below air bag deployment thresholds, the air bags will not deploy. The driver and passengers will then be protected to the extent possible by a properly fastened seat belt. A properly fastened seat belt is also needed to provide the best possible protection in a rollover.

Air bags provide additional protection; they are not, however, a substitute for seat belts. All vehicle occupants must fasten their seat belts regardless of whether your vehicle is equipped with air bags or not.

It is important for your safety and that of your passenger to have deployed air bags replaced and to have any malfunctioning air bags repaired. This will help to make sure the air bags continue to perform their protective function for the vehicle occupants in the event of a crash.

#### Front air bags

The front air bags increase protection for the driver's and front-passenger's head and chest.



Driver's air bag 1 deploys in front of the steering wheel; front-passenger front air bag (2) deploys in front of and above the glove box.

They are deployed:

- in the event of certain frontal impacts
- if the system determines that air bag deployment can offer additional protection to that provided by the seat belt
- if the seat belt is fastened
- independently of other air bags in the vehicle

If the vehicle overturns, the front air bags are generally not deployed. If the system detects high vehicle deceleration in a longitudinal direction, the front air bags are deployed.

Your vehicle has adaptive, two-stage front air bags. In the event of a collision, the air bag control unit evaluates the vehicle deceleration. In the first deployment stage, the front air bag is filled with enough propellant gas to reduce the risk of injuries.

The front air bag is fully deployed if a second deployment threshold is exceeded within a few milliseconds.

The deployment of the front-passenger front air bag is also influenced by the weight category of the front passenger, which is determined by the Occupant Classification System (OCS) (⊳ page 45).

The lighter the passenger-side occupant, the higher the vehicle deceleration rate required (predicted at the start of the impact) for second stage inflation of the front-passenger front air bag. In the second stage, the front air bags are inflated with the maximum amount of propellant gas available.

The front air bags are not deployed in situations where a low impact severity is predicted. You will then be protected by the fastened seat belt.

The front-passenger front air bag will only deploy if:

- the system, based on the OCS weight sensor readings, detects that the frontpassenger seat is occupied.
- the PASS OFF Indicator lamp in the center console is not lit, (⊳ page 45).
- the air bag control unit predicts a high impact severity.

#### Knee bags

# **MARNING**

Observe "Important safety notes" (⊳ page 40).



Knee bags provide increased protection for the driver and front passenger against the risk

- · knee injuries
- · thigh injuries
- lower leg injuries

Driver's knee bag (1) deploys underneath the steering column and front-passenger knee bag (2) underneath the glove box. They deploy together with the front air bags. They are designed to operate together with the front air bags in frontal impacts if certain thresholds are exceeded. The knee bags operate at best in conjunction with correctly positioned and fastened seat belts.

### Side impact air bags

#### **↑** WARNING

The pressure sensors for side impact air bag control are located in the doors. Do not modify any components of the doors or door trim panels including, for example, the addition of door speakers.

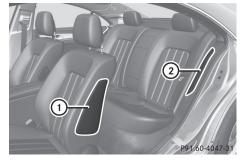
Improper repair work on the doors or the modification or addition of components to the doors create a risk of rendering the side impact air bags inoperative or causing unintended air bag deployment. Work on the doors must therefore only be performed by qualified technicians. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

### **↑** WARNING

Only use seat covers which have been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz for your vehicle model. Using seat covers or other seat coverings can cause a malfunction of the side impact air bags and/or the pelvis air bags. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center for availability.

When deployed, the side impact air bags offer additional protection for the thorax of the vehicle occupants on the side of the vehicle on which the impact occurs. However, they do not protect the:

- head
- neck
- arms



Front side impact air bags (1) and rear side impact air bags (2) deploy next to the outer seat cushions.

The side impact air bags are deployed:

- on the side on which an impact occurs
- at the start of an accident with a high rate of lateral vehicle deceleration or acceleration, e.g. in a side impact
- independently of the use of the seat belt
- independently of the front air bags
- independently of the ETDs

If the vehicle overturns, the side impact air bags are generally not deployed. Exception: if the system detects high vehicle deceleration or acceleration in a lateral direction and determines that deployment can offer additional protection to that provided by the

Side impact air bags will not deploy in side impacts which do not exceed the system's preset deployment thresholds for lateral acceleration/deceleration. You will then be protected by the fastened seat belt.

The side impact air bag on the frontpassenger side will not deploy under the following conditions:

- the OCS detects that the front-passenger seat is not occupied.
- the front-passenger seat belt is not fastened.

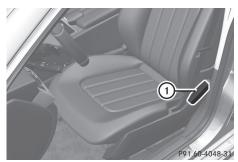
The side impact air bag on the frontpassenger side will deploy if the frontpassenger seat belt is fastened, regardless of whether the front-passenger seat is occupied or not.

## Pelvis air bags

## **↑** WARNING

Only use seat covers which have been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz for your vehicle model. Using seat covers or other seat coverings can cause a malfunction of the side impact air bags and/or the pelvis air bags. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center for availability.

Pelvis air bag deployment enhances the level of protection of the vehicle occupants on the side of the vehicle on which the impact occurs.



Pelvis air bags ① deploy next to and below the outer seat cushions. They are deployed:

- on the side on which an impact occurs
- at the start of an accident with a high rate of lateral vehicle deceleration or acceleration, e.g. in a side impact
- independently of the use of the seat belt

- independently of the front air bags
- independently of the ETDs

If the vehicle overturns, the pelvis air bags are generally not deployed. Exception: if the system detects high vehicle deceleration or acceleration in a lateral direction and determines that deployment can offer additional protection to that provided by the seat belt.

Pelvis air bags ① will not deploy in side impacts which do not exceed the system's preset deployment thresholds for lateral acceleration/deceleration. You will then be protected by the fastened seat belt.

The pelvis air bag on the front-passenger side will not deploy under the following conditions:

- the OCS detects that the front-passenger seat is not occupied.
- the front-passenger seat belt is not fastened.

The pelvis air bag on the front-passenger side will deploy if the front-passenger seat belt is fastened, regardless of whether the front-passenger seat is occupied or not.

# Window curtain air bags

The window curtain air bags enhance the level of protection for the head, but not chest or arms, of the vehicle occupants on the side of the vehicle on which the impact occurs.

The window curtain air bags are integrated into the side of the roof frame and deploy in the area from the A-pillar to the C-pillar.



Window curtain air bags (1) are deployed:

- on the side on which an impact occurs
- at the start of an accident with a high rate of lateral vehicle deceleration or acceleration, e.g. in a side impact
- regardless of whether the front-passenger seat is occupied
- independently of seat belt use
- if the vehicle overturns and the system determines that window curtain air bag deployment can offer additional protection to that provided by the seat belt
- independently of the front air bags

Window curtain air bags ① will not deploy in impacts with deceleration rates which do not exceed the system's preset deployment thresholds for vehicle deceleration or acceleration. You will then be protected by the fastened seat belt.

# Occupant Classification System (OCS)

## How the Occupant Classification System works

The Occupant Classification System (OCS) categorizes the occupant on the front-passenger seat by means of a weight sensor. The front-passenger front air bag and the front-passenger knee bag are deactivated automatically for certain weight categories. The 

The 
The Indicator lamp shows you the current status. When the 
The Indicator lamp is illuminated, the front-passenger front air bag and the front-passenger knee bag are deactivated.

The system does not deactivate:

- · the side impact air bag
- the pelvis air bag
- the window curtain air bag
- the Emergency Tensioning Devices

To be classified correctly, the front passenger must sit:

- with the seat belt fastened correctly
- in a position that is as upright as possible with their back against the seat backrest
- · with their feet on the floor

If the front-passenger's weight is transferred to another object in the vehicle (e.g. by leaning on armrests), OCS may not be able to approximate the occupant's weight category. If the front-passenger seat, the seat cover or the seat cushion are damaged, have the necessary repair work carried out at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

For safety reasons, Mercedes-Benz recommends that you only use seat accessories that have been approved by Mercedes-Benz.

Both the driver and the passenger should always use the passenger indicator lamp as an indication of whether or not the passenger is properly positioned.

# **↑** WARNING

If the problem indicator lamp illuminates when an adult or someone larger than a small individual is in the front-passenger seat, have the front passenger reposition himself or herself in the seat until the problem indicator lamp goes out.

In the event of a collision, the air bag control unit will not allow front-passenger front air bag deployment when the OCS has classified the front-passenger seat occupant as weighing as much as or less than a typical 12-month-old child in a standard child restraint or if the front-passenger seat is classified as being empty.

When the OCS senses that the front-passenger seat occupant is classified as being up to or less than the weight of a typical 12-month-old child in a standard child restraint, the harmonic indicator lamp will illuminate when the engine is started and remain illuminated, indicating that the front-passenger front air bag is deactivated.

When the OCS senses that the frontpassenger seat is classified as being empty, the RASS OFF Indicator lamp will illuminate when the engine is started and remain illuminated, indicating that the frontpassenger front air bag is deactivated. When the OCS senses that the frontpassenger seat occupant is classified as being heavier than the weight of a typical 12month-old child seated in a standard child restraint or as being a small individual (such as a young teenager or a small adult), the PASS OFF indicator lamp will illuminate for approximately 6 seconds when the engine is started and then, depending on occupant weight sensor readings from the frontpassenger seat, remain illuminated or go out. With the ARBAG OFF Indicator lamp illuminated, the front-passenger front air bag is deactivated. With the RAS OFF indicator lamp out, the front-passenger front air bag is activated.

If the [ [ image or indicator lamp is illuminated, the front-passenger front air bag and the front-passenger knee bag are deactivated and will not be deployed.

If the American indicator lamp is not illuminated, the front-passenger front air bag and the front-passenger knee bag are activated and will be deployed:

- in the event of certain frontal impacts
- if impact exceeds a preset deployment threshold
- independently of the side impact air bag or pelvis air bag

If the front-passenger front air bag is deployed, the rate of inflation will be influenced by:

- the rate of relevant vehicle deceleration as assessed by the air bag control unit
- the front passenger's weight category as identified by OCS

For further information, see "Air bag display messages" (▷ page 228).

# **↑** WARNING

According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained on the rear seats than on the front-passenger seat. Thus, we strongly recommend that children be placed in the rear seats whenever possible. Regardless of seating position, children 12 years old and under must be seated and properly secured in an appropriate infant restraint, toddler restraint, or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child.

The infant or child restraint must be properly secured with the vehicle's seat belt, the seat belt and Top Tether strap, or lower ISOFIX child seat retaining loops and Top Tether strap, fully in accordance with the infant or child seat manufacturer's instructions.

Occupants, especially children, should always sit as upright as possible, wear the seat belt properly and use an appropriately sized infant restraint, toddler restraint, or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child.

Children can be killed or seriously injured by an inflating air bag.

Note the following important information if it is necessary to carry a child on the front-passenger seat:

 Your vehicle is equipped with air bag technology designed to deactivate the front-passenger front air bag and the frontpassenger knee bag in your vehicle when the system senses the weight of a typical 12-month-old child or less along with the weight of a standard appropriate child restraint on the front-passenger seat.

- A child in a rear-facing child restraint on the front-passenger seat will be seriously injured or even killed if the front-passenger front air bag inflates in a collision which could occur under some circumstances, even with the air bag technology installed in your vehicle. The only means to eliminate this risk completely is never to place a child in a rear-facing child restraint in the frontpassenger seat. We therefore strongly recommend that you always place a child in a rear-facing child restraint on the rear seat.
- If you install a rear-facing child restraint on the front-passenger seat, make sure the indicator lamp is illuminated, indicating that the front-passenger front air bag and front-passenger knee bag are deactivated. Should the indicator lamp not illuminate or go out while the restraint is installed, please check installation. Periodically check the indicator lamp while driving to make sure that the indicator lamp while driving to make sure that the indicator lamp is illuminated. If the indicator lamp goes out or remains out, do not transport a child on the front-passenger seat until the system has been repaired.

A child in a rear-facing child restraint on the front-passenger seat could be seriously injured or even killed if the front-passenger front air bag is deployed.

- If you place a child in a forward-facing child restraint on the front-passenger seat:
  - move the seat as far back as possible
  - use the proper child restraint recommended for the age, size and weight of the child
  - secure child restraint with the vehicle's seat belt according to the child seat manufacturer's instructions
- For children larger than the typical 12month-old child, the front-passenger front

air bag and the front-passenger knee bag may or may not be activated.

If the driver's air bag deploys, this does not mean that the front-passenger front air bag will also deploy.

The OCS may have detected that the seat:

- is either empty or occupied by a person with a weight up to that of a typical twelvemonth-old child seated in a standard child restraint
- is occupied by a small individual, such as a young teenager or a small adult
- is occupied by a child in a child restraint system, whose weight is greater than that of a typical twelve-month-old child.

These are examples of when the OCS deactivates the front-passenger front air bag and front-passenger knee bag. Deactivation takes place although the collision fulfills the criteria for deploying the driver's air bag.



If the SmartKey has been removed from the ignition lock or is in position **0**,

Large indicator lamp (1) does not light up.

# **MARNING**

If the red SRS warning lamp in the instrument cluster and the Market indicator lamp light up simultaneously, the OCS is malfunctioning. The front passenger front air bag and the front passenger knee bag will be deactivated in this case. Have the system checked by qualified technicians as

soon as possible. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

Only have the seat repaired or replaced at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

In order to ensure proper operation of the air bag system and OCS:

- Sit with the seat belt properly fastened in a position that is as upright as possible with your back against the seat backrest.
- When seated, a passenger should not position him/herself in such a way as to cause the passenger's weight to be lifted from the seat cushion as this may result in the OCS being unable to correctly approximate the passenger's weight category.
- Read and observe all warnings in this chapter.

# System self-test

The ARBAGOFF indicator lamp illuminates when you:

- turn the SmartKey to position 1 or 2 in the ignition lock
- on vehicles with KEYLESS-GO, press the Start/Stop button once or twice

If an adult occupant is sitting properly on the front-passenger seat and the OCS classifies the occupant as an adult, the RASS OFF indicator lamp will illuminate and go out again after approximately six seconds.

If the seat is not occupied and the OCS classifies the front passenger seat as being unoccupied, the RASS OFF indicator lamp will illuminate and not go out.



If the RAG OFF indicator lamp does not illuminate, the system is not functioning. You must contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center before seating any child on the front passenger seat.

For more information, see "Problems with the Occupant Classification System" (⊳ page 49).



# **WARNING**

Never place anything between seat cushion and child seat (e.g. a pillow), since it reduces the effectiveness of the OCS. The underside and rear side child restraint system must be placed entirely on the seat cushion and the backrest of the front-passenger seat backrest.

If necessary, adjust the tilt of the passenger seat backrest.

An incorrectly mounted child seat could cause injuries to the child in case of an accident, instead of increasing protection for the child.

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for installation of child restraint systems.

### **Problems with the Occupant Classification System**

#### **Problem**

The AIR BAG OFF indicator lamp illuminates and remains illuminated.

The person on the front-passenger seat:

- · has the weight of a typical adult
- has been determined by the system not to be a child

### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The OCS is malfunctioning.

- ▶ Have the OCS checked as soon as possible at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.
- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display (⊳ page 228).

#### **↑** WARNING

If the 🔀 indicator lamp illuminates and remains illuminated when the weight of a typical adult or someone larger than a small individual has been detected on the passenger seat, do not allow any occupant to use the passenger seat until the system has been repaired.

#### **Problem**

The ASS OFF indicator lamp does not illuminate and/or does not remain illuminated.

The front-passenger seat is:

- unoccupied
- occupied with a weight up to that of a typical twelvemonth-old child in a standard child restraint system

# Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The OCS is malfunctioning.

- ▶ Make sure there is nothing between the seat cushion and the child seat.
- ▶ Check the installation of the child restraint system.
- ▶ Make sure that no objects are applying additional weight onto the seat.
- ► If the RESIGNET indicator lamp does not illuminate, have the OCS checked as soon as possible at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. Do not transport a child on the front-passenger seat as long as the OCS is not functioning.
- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display (⊳ page 228).



#### **↑** WARNING

If the 🔀 📠 indicator lamp does not illuminate or remains out with the weight of a typical 12-month-old child in a standard child restraint or less, or is unoccupied, on the front-passenger seat, do not transport a child on the front-passenger seat until the system has been repaired.

# PRE-SAFE® (preventative occupant protection)

### **№ WARNING**

The PRE-SAFE® system reduces the impact of an accident on vehicle occupants, as long as their seat belts have been fastened correctly. Although your vehicle is equipped with a PRE-SAFE® system, the possibility of injury in the event of an accident cannot be ruled out. You should therefore always drive carefully and adapt your driving style to the prevailing road, weather and traffic conditions.

PRE-SAFE® takes preemptive measures to protect occupants in certain hazardous situations.

PRE-SAFE® intervenes:

- if BAS PLUS intervenes powerfully on vehicles with DISTRONIC PLUS
- if, on vehicles with DISTRONIC PLUS, the radar sensor system detects an imminent danger of collision in certain situations
- in critical driving situations, e.g. when physical limits are exceeded and the vehicle understeers or oversteers severely

PRE-SAFE® takes the following measures depending on the hazardous situation detected:

- the front seat belts are pre-tensioned.
- the front-passenger seat is adjusted if it is in an unfavorable position.
- · vehicles with a multicontour seat or active multicontour seat: the air pressure in the side bolsters of the seat cushion and backrest is increased.
- if the vehicle skids, the sliding sunroof/ panorama roof with power tilt/sliding panel and the side windows are closed so that only a small gap remains.

If the hazardous situation passes without resulting in an accident, PRE-SAFE® slackens the belt pretensioning. The air pressure in the side bolsters on the multicontour seat/active multicontour seat is reduced again. All

settings made by PRE-SAFE® can then be reversed.

If the seat belts are not released:

▶ Move the backrest or seat back slightly, but only when the vehicle is stationary. The belt pretensioning is reduced and the locking mechanism is released.



# / WARNING

Make sure that nobody can become trapped as you adjust the seat.

Make sure that there are no objects in the footwell or behind the seats when resetting the seats. There is a risk that the seats and/or the objects could be damaged.

More information about seat-belt adjustment, a convenience function integrated into PRE-SAFE®, can be found in the "Seat-belt adjustment" section (⊳ page 55).

## NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints

NECK-PRO head restraints / NECK-PRO luxury head restraints increase protection of the driver's and front-passenger's head and neck. In the event of a rear collision of a certain severity, the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints on the driver's and front-passenger seats are moved forwards and upwards. This provides better head support.



#### **↑** WARNING

Do not attach any objects (e.g. a coat hanger) to the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints. Otherwise, the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints may not function properly and in the event of a rear-end collision may not offer the protection they are designed to provide.

### **↑** WARNING

Seat or head restraint covers can cause a malfunction when the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK PRO luxury head restraints are activated or when the side impact air bags or pelvis air bags are deployed, or they can prevent this completely. The NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK PRO luxury head restraints or side impact air bags/pelvis air bags can therefore not provide the intended protection. Do not use any seat or head restraint covers.

If the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints have been triggered in an accident, reset the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints on the driver's and front-passenger seats (⊳ page 51). Otherwise, the additional protection will not be available in the event of another rear-end collision. NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints that have been triggered are moved forwards and can no longer be adjusted.

### **↑** WARNING

For your protection, drive only with properly positioned head restraints.

Adjust the head restraint so that it is as close to the head as possible and the center of the head restraint supports the back of the head at eye level. This will reduce the potential for injury to the head and neck in the event of an accident or similar situation.

#### Resetting triggered NECK-PRO head restraints

#### Important safety notes



# **⚠ WARNING**

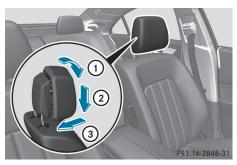
For reasons of safety, have the NECK-PRO head restraints/NECK-PRO luxury head restraints checked at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center after a rear-end collision.

#### ♠ WARNING

When pushing back the NECK-PRO head restraint cushion, make sure your fingers do not become caught between the head restraint cushion and the cover. Failure to observe this could result in injuries.

#### **NECK-PRO** head restraints

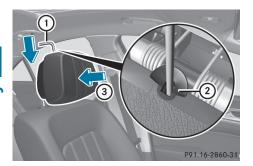
Resetting the NECK-PRO head restraints requires a lot of strength. If you have difficulty resetting the NECK-PRO head restraints, have this work carried out at a qualified specialist workshop, e.g. an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.



- ► Tilt the top of the NECK-PRO head restraint cushion forwards in the direction of arrow (1).
- ▶ Push the NECK-PRO head restraint cushion down in the direction of arrow (2) as far as it will go.
- ► Firmly push the NECK-PRO head restraint cushion back in the direction of arrow (3) until the cushion engages.
- ▶ Repeat this procedure for the second NFCK-PRO head restraint.

#### NECK-PRO luxury head restraints

1 If you have difficulty resetting the NECK-PRO luxury head restraints, have this work carried out at a qualified specialist workshop, e.g. an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.



- ▶ Remove resetting tool (1) from the vehicle document wallet.
- ▶ Slide resetting tool (1) into guide (2) between the NECK-PRO luxury head restraint and the rear cover of the head restraint.
- ▶ Push resetting tool (1) downwards until you hear the head restraint deployment mechanism engage.
- ▶ Pull out resetting tool (1).
- ► Firmly press the NECK-PRO luxury head restraint cushion back (3) until it engages.
- ▶ Repeat this procedure for the second NECK-PRO luxury head restraint.
- ▶ Put resetting tool (1) back into the vehicle document wallet.

#### Seat belts

#### Important safety notes

The use of seat belts and infant and child restraint systems is required by law in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. territories and all Canadian provinces. Even where this is not the case, all vehicle

occupants should have their seat belts fastened when the vehicle is in motion.

for further information on infants and children traveling in the vehicle and on infant and child restraint systems, see "Children in the vehicle" (> page 57).

# **↑** WARNING

Always fasten your seat belt before driving off. Always make sure all of your passengers are properly restrained. You and your passengers should always wear seat belts.

Failure to wear and properly fasten and position your seat belt greatly increases your risk of injuries and their likely severity in an accident.

If you are ever in an accident, your injuries can be considerably more severe without your seat belt properly buckled. Without your seat belt buckled, you are much more likely to hit the interior of the vehicle or be ejected from it. You can be seriously injured or killed.

In the same crash, the possibility of injury or death is lessened if you are properly wearing your seat belt. The air bags can only protect as intended if the occupants are properly wearing their seat belts.



#### **↑** WARNING

Never ride in a moving vehicle with the seat backrest in an excessively reclined position as this can be dangerous. You could slide under the seat belt in a collision. If you slide under it, the seat belt would apply force at the abdomen or neck. That could cause serious or even fatal injuries. The seat backrest and seat belt provide the best restraint when the wearer is in a position that is as upright as possible and the seat belt is properly positioned on the body.



# **↑** WARNING

Never let more people ride in the vehicle than there are seat belts available. Make sure everyone riding in the vehicle is correctly restrained with a separate seat belt. Never use a seat belt for more than one person at a time.



### **↑** WARNING

Damaged seat belts or seat belts that have been subjected to stress in an accident must be replaced and their anchoring points must also be checked.

Only use seat belts which have been approved by Mercedes-Benz.

Do not make any modifications to the seat belts. This can lead to unintended activation of the ETDs or to their failure to activate when necessary.

Do not bleach or dye seat belts as this may severely weaken them. In a crash they may not be able to provide adequate protection. Have all work carried out only by qualified technicians. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

#### Correct use of the seat belts

# **MARNING**

**USE SEAT BELTS PROPERLY** 

- Seat belts can only work when used properly. Never wear seat belts in any other way than as described in this section, as that could result in serious injuries in the event of an accident.
- Each occupant should wear their seat belt at all times, because seat belts help reduce the likelihood of and potential severity of injuries in accidents, including rollovers. The integrated restraint system includes SRS (driver front air bag, driver's side knee bag, front-passenger front air bag, side impact air bags, pelvis air bags, window curtain air bags for the side windows), Emergency Tensioning Devices, seat belt force limiters, and front seat knee bolsters. The system is designed to enhance the protection offered to properly belted occupants in certain frontal (front air bags, driver's side knee bag and ETDs) and side (side impact air bags, window curtain air bags, and ETDs) impacts which exceed preset deployment thresholds and in certain rollovers (window curtain air bags and ETDs).

 Never wear the shoulder belt under your arm, across your neck or off your shoulder. In a frontal crash, your body would move too far forward. That would increase the chance of head and neck injuries. The seat belt would also apply too much force to the ribs or abdomen, which could severely injure internal organs such as your liver or spleen.

Adjust the seat belt so that the shoulder section is located as close as possible to the middle of the shoulder. It should not touch the neck. Never pass the shoulder portion of the seat belt under your arm. For this purpose, you can adjust the height of the seat belt outlet.

- Position the lap belt as low as possible on your hips and not across the abdomen. If the lap belt is positioned across your abdomen, it could cause serious injuries in a crash.
- · Never wear seat belts over rigid or breakable objects in or on your clothing, such as eyeglasses, pens, keys etc., as these might cause injuries.
- Make sure the seat belt is always fitted snugly. Take special care of this when wearing loose clothing.
- Never use a seat belt for more than one person at a time. Do not fasten a seat belt around a person and another person or other objects at the same time.
- Seat belts should not be worn twisted. In a crash, you would not have the full width of the seat belt to distribute impact forces. The twisted seat belt against your body could cause injuries.
- Pregnant women should also always use a lap-shoulder belt. The lap belt portion should be positioned as low as possible on the hips to avoid any possible pressure on the abdomen.
- Place the seat backrest in a position that is as upright as possible.
- Check your seat belt during travel to make sure it is properly positioned.

- Never place your feet on the instrument panel, dashboard, or on the seat. Always keep both feet on the floor in front of the seat.
- When using a seat belt to secure infant restraints, toddler restraints, or children in booster seats, always follow the child seat manufacturer's instructions.

## **↑** WARNING

Do not pass seat belts over sharp edges. They could tear.

Do not allow the seat belt to get caught in the door or in the seat adjustment mechanism. This could damage the seat belt.

Never attempt to make modifications to seat belts. This could impair the effectiveness of the seat belts.

#### Fastening seat belts

## **↑** WARNING

According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained on the rear seats than on the front-passenger seat. Thus, we strongly recommend that children be placed in the rear seat whenever possible. Regardless of seating position, children 12 years old and under must be seated and properly secured in an appropriately sized child restraint system or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child. For additional information, see the "Children in the vehicle" section.

A child's risk of serious or fatal injuries is significantly increased if the child restraints are not properly secured in the vehicle and/or the child is not properly secured in the child restraint.



- ► Adjust the seat and move the backrest to an almost vertical position (> page 94).
- ▶ Pull the seat belt smoothly through belt sash guide (1).
- ► Without twisting it, guide the shoulder section of the seat belt across the middle of your shoulder and the lap section across your hips.
- ► Engage belt tongue ② in buckle ③. Seat-belt adjustment: if necessary, the driver's and front-passenger seat belts automatically adjust to the upper body (> page 55).
- ▶ If necessary, adjust the seat belt to the appropriate height (▷ page 55).
- ▶ If necessary, pull upwards on the shoulder section of the seat belt to tighten the belt across your body.

All seat belts except the driver's seat belt are equipped with a special seat belt retractor to securely fasten child restraint systems in the vehicle. For further information about special seat belt retractors, see ( $\triangleright$  page 59).

For more information about releasing the seat belt with release button (4), see "Releasing seat belts" (> page 55).

### Seat belt adjustment

The seat-belt adjustment function adjusts the driver's and front-passenger seat belt to the upper body of the occupants.

The belt strap is tightened slightly when:

- you engage the belt tongue in the belt buckle and you then turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- the SmartKey is in position 2 in the ignition lock and you then engage the belt tongue in the buckle.

The seat-belt adjustment will apply a retraction force if any slack is detected between the occupant and the seat belt. Do not hold on to the seat belt tightly while it is adjusting. You can switch the seat-belt adjustment on and off in the on-board computer (> page 216).

The seat-belt adjustment is an integral part of the PRE-SAFE® convenience function. More information about PRE-SAFE® can be found in the "PRE-SAFE® (preventative occupant protection)" section (▷ page 50).

#### Belt height adjustment

You can adjust the seat belt height on the driver's seat and the front-passenger seat.



Adjust the height so that the upper part of the seat belt is routed across the center of your shoulder.

- ➤ To raise: slide the belt sash guide upwards. The belt sash guide engages in various positions.
- ► **To lower:** press and hold belt sash guide release (1).
- ► Slide the belt sash guide downwards.
- ► Release belt sash guide release ① and make sure that the belt sash guide has engaged.

### Releasing seat belts

- ▶ Press release button (4)(> page 54) and guide belt tongue (2) back towards belt sash guide (1).
- Make sure that the seat belt is fully rolled up. Otherwise, the seat belt or belt tongue will be trapped in the door or in the seat mechanism. This could damage the door, the door trim panel and the seat belt. Damaged seat belts can no longer fulfill their protective function and must be replaced. Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

# Belt warning for the driver and front passenger

Regardless of whether the driver's and frontpassenger seat belts have already been fastened, the seat belt warning lamp will light up for six seconds each time the engine is started. It then goes out if the driver and the front passenger have fastened their seat helts

If the driver's seat belt is not fastened when the engine is started, an additional warning tone will sound. The warning tone goes out after approximately six seconds or once the driver's seat belt is fastened. If after six seconds the driver's or frontpassenger seat belt is not fastened and the doors are closed, the seat belt warning lamp will remain lit:

- until the driver's or front passenger's seat belt is fastened
- once the vehicle has exceeded a speed of 15 mph (25 km/h), in addition a warning tone will sound with increasing intensity for up to 60 seconds or until the driver's or front-passenger seat belt is fastened.

If the driver or front passenger unfastens their seat belt during the journey, the \*\* seat belt warning lamp lights up and the warning tone sounds again.

The warning tone ceases after 60 seconds even if the driver or front passenger has still not fastened their seat belt. The 🔼 seat belt warning lamp stops flashing, but remains lit.

After the vehicle has come to a stop, the warning tone will be reactivated and the seat belt warning lamp will flash again once the vehicle has exceeded a speed of 15 mph (25 km/h).

The seat belt warning lamp will not go out until:

• both the driver and the front passenger have fastened their seat belts.

or

- the vehicle is stationary and a door is open.
- **1)** For more information on the seat belt warning lamp, see "Warning and indicator lamps in the instrument cluster, seat belt" (▷ page 247).

# **Emergency Tensioning Devices, belt force limiters**

The seat belts are equipped with ETDs and seat belt force limiters.

The ETDs tighten the seat belts in an accident, pulling them close against the body.

The ETDs do not correct incorrect seat positions or incorrectly fastened seat belts.

The ETDs do not pull vehicle occupants back towards the backrest.

Seat belt force limiters, when triggered, help to reduce the peak force exerted by the seat belt on the vehicle occupant.

The seat belt force limiters for the front seats are synchronized with the front air bags. These take on a part of the deceleration force. Thus, the force exerted on the occupant is distributed over a greater area.

The ETDs can only be activated when:

- the ignition is switched on.
- the restraint systems are operational; see "SRS warning lamp" (> page 38).
- the belt tongue is engaged in the buckle on each of the lap-shoulder belts in the front.
- the front-passenger seat is occupied and the belt tongue is engaged in the buckle on the front-passenger side.

The ETDs on the seats in the rear compartment are triggered independently of the lock status of the seat belts.

The ETDs are triggered depending on the type and severity of an accident:

- if, in the event of a head-on or rear-end collision, the vehicle decelerates or accelerates rapidly in a longitudinal direction during the initial stages of the impact
- if, in the event of a side impact, on the side opposite the impact the vehicle decelerates or accelerates rapidly in a lateral direction
- if, in certain situations where the vehicle overturns, the system determines that it can provide additional protection

If the air bags are deployed, you will hear a bang, and a small amount of powder may also be released. Only in rare cases will the bang affect your hearing. The powder that is released generally does not constitute a health hazard. The SRS warning lamp lights up.

### **↑** WARNING

Pyrotechnic Emergency Tensioning Devices that have been deployed must be renewed. For your safety, when disposing of Emergency Tensioning Devices, always observe the safety instructions. These are available from any authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

The PRE-SAFE® system has electrically operated reversible pre-tensioners that do not require replacement after activation.

If the front-passenger seat is not occupied, do not engage the seat belt tongue in the buckle on the front-passenger seat. Otherwise, the Emergency Tensioning Device could be triggered in the event of an accident.

### Children in the vehicle

### **Child restraint systems**

#### Important safety notes

We recommend that all infants and children be properly secured in an infant or child restraint system at all times while the vehicle is in motion.

The use of seat belts and infant and child restraint systems is required by law in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. territories and all Canadian provinces.

Infants and children must always be seated in an appropriate infant or child restraint system recommended for the size and weight of the child. The infant or child restraint system must be properly secured in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. All infant or child restraint systems must comply with U.S. Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards 213 and 225 and Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standards 213 and 210.2.

An information label on the child restraint system indicates whether it meets these standards. This information is also provided in the installation instructions supplied with the child restraint system.

Always read and follow the manufacturer's instructions when using an infant or child restraint system or booster seat.

Observe all warning signs in the vehicle interior and on the infant or child restraint.

# **↑** WARNING

According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained in the rear seating positions than in the front seating position. Thus, we strongly recommend that children be placed in the rear seats whenever possible. Regardless of seating position, children 12 years old and under must be seated and properly secured in an appropriate infant restraint, toddler restraint, or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child.

The infant or child restraint must be properly secured with the vehicle's seat belt, the seat belt and top tether strap, or lower anchors and top tether strap, fully in accordance with the child seat manufacturer's instructions.

Occupants, especially children, should always sit as upright as possible, wear the seat belt properly and use an appropriately sized infant restraint, toddler restraint, or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child.

Children can be killed or seriously injured by an inflating air bag. Note the following important information when circumstances require you to place a child in the front passenger seat:

- Your vehicle is equipped with air bag technology designed to deactivate the front passenger front air bag in your vehicle when the system senses the weight of a typical 12-month-old child or less along with the weight of a standard appropriate child restraint on the front passenger seat.
- For children larger than the typical 12-month-old child, the front passenger front air bag may or may not be activated. Always make sure the 2 mass. indicator

lamp is illuminated, indicating that the front passenger front air bag is deactivated.

- A child in a rear-facing child restraint on the front passenger seat will be seriously injured or even killed if the front passenger front air bag inflates in a collision which could occur under some circumstances, even with the air bag technology installed in your vehicle. The only means to completely eliminate this risk is to never place a child in a rear-facing child restraint in the front seat. We therefore strongly recommend that you always place a child in a rear-facing child restraint in a backseat.
- · If you must install a rear-facing child restraint on the front passenger seat because circumstances require you to do so, make sure the ARRAGOFF indicator lamp is illuminated, indicating that the front passenger front air bag is deactivated. Should the RASS OFF indicator lamp not illuminate or go out while the restraint is installed, please check installation. Periodically check the RASS OFF Indicator lamp while driving to make sure the PASS OFF Indicator lamp is illuminated. If the RASS OFF Indicator lamp goes out or remains out, do not transport a child on the front passenger seat until the system has been repaired.

A child in a rear-facing child restraint on the front passenger seat will be seriously injured or even killed if the front passenger front air bag inflates.

 If you have to place a child in a forwardfacing child restraint on the front passenger seat, move the seat as far back as possible, use the proper child restraint recommended for the age, size and weight of the child, and secure child restraint with the vehicle's seat belt according to the child seat manufacturer's instructions.

### **↑** WARNING

Infants and small children should never share a seat belt with another occupant. In the event

of an accident, they could be crushed between the occupant and seat belt.

A child's risk of serious or fatal injuries is significantly increased if the child restraints are not properly secured in the vehicle and/or the child is not properly secured in the child restraint.

Children that are too large for a child restraint must travel in seats using normal seat belts. Position the shoulder belt across the chest and shoulder, not face or neck. A booster seat may be necessary to achieve proper seat belt positioning for children over 41 lb (18 kg) until they reach a height where a lap-shoulder belt fits properly without a booster.

When the child restraint is not in use, remove it from the vehicle or secure it with the seat belt to prevent the child restraint from becoming a projectile in the event of an accident.

If an infant or child is traveling in the vehicle:

- Secure the infant or child with an appropriate infant or child restraint recommended for the child's age and weight.
- Make sure that the infant or child is properly secured at all times while the vehicle is in motion.

### **↑** WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, even if they are secured in a child restraint system, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury. The children could:

- injure themselves on parts of the vehicle
- be seriously or fatally injured through excessive exposure to extreme heat or cold
- injure themselves or cause an accident with vehicle equipment that can be operated

even if the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock or removed from the vehicle, such as seat adjustment, steering wheel adjustment, or the memory function

If children open a door, they could injure other persons or get out of the vehicle and injure themselves or be injured by following traffic. Do not expose the child restraint system to

Do not expose the child restraint system to direct sunlight. The child restraint system's metal parts, for example, could become very hot, and the child could be burned on these parts.

# **↑** WARNING

Do not carry heavy or hard objects in the passenger compartment or trunk unless they are firmly secured in place.

Unsecured or improperly positioned cargo increases a child's risk of injury in the event of

- strong braking maneuvers
- · sudden changes of direction
- an accident

### Special seat belt retractor

All seat belts except the driver's seat belt are equipped with a special seat belt retractor. When activated, the special seat belt retractor ensures the seat belt will not slacken once the child restraint system has been secured.

Installing a child restraint system:

- Always comply with the manufacturer's installation instructions.
- ► Pull the seat belt smoothly from the inertia reel.
- ► Engage the seat belt tongue in the belt buckle.

Activating the special seat belt retractor:

- Pull the seat belt out fully and let the inertia reel retract it again.
   While the seat belt is retracting, you should hear a ratcheting sound. The special seat belt retractor is enabled.
- Push down on the child restraint system to take up any slack.

Removing a child restraint system/ deactivating the special seat belt retractor:

- Always comply with the manufacturer's installation instructions.
- Press the seat belt release button and guide the belt tongue to the belt outlet. The special seat belt retractor is deactivated.

## **↑** WARNING

Never release the seat belt buckle while the vehicle is in motion, since the special seat belt retractor will be deactivated.

# LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child seat anchors in the rear

# **↑** WARNING

Children that are too large for a child restraint must travel in seats using normal seat belts. Position shoulder belt across the chest and shoulder, not face or neck.

A booster seat may be necessary to achieve proper seat belt positioning for children over 41 lb (18 kg) until they reach a height where a lap/shoulder belt fits properly without a booster.

Install the child restraint system in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Attach the child restraint system to both securing rings.

An incorrectly installed child restraint system could come loose during an accident and seriously or even fatally injure the child.

Child restraint systems or child seat securing rings that are malfunctioning or damaged as the result of a collision must be replaced.

ISOFIX is a standardized securing system for specially designed child restraint systems on the rear seats. Securing rings for two LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child restraint systems are installed on the left and right of the rear seats. Secure non-LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child restraint systems using the vehicle's seat belt system. Always install child restraint systems

according to the manufacturer's instructions.



When installing the LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child restraint system, fold protective caps ② of securing rings (1) inwards.

► Install the LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child restraint system. Comply with the manufacturer's instructions when installing the LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child restraint system.

# Top Tether

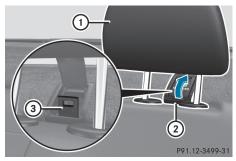
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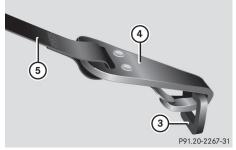
Always lock the rear seat backrests in their upright position when the rear seats are occupied by passengers. Lock the rear seat backrests in their upright position before installing the Top Tether straps or when the cargo compartment is not in use. Make sure that rear seat backrests are secured properly by pushing and pulling on the seat backrests. If the seat backrest is not locked properly, the seat backrest could fold forward. The child

restraint system is no longer supported properly or held in position and can no longer fulfill its function. This could cause serious or even fatal injuries.

Top Tether provides an additional connection between the child restraint system secured with ISOFIX and the rear seat. It helps reduce the risk of injury even further.

The Top Tether anchorage points are located in the rear compartment behind the head restraints.





- ▶ Move head restraint (1) upwards.
- ▶ Fold up cover ② of Top Tether anchorage ③.
- ► Route Top Tether belt ⑤ under head restraint ⑥ between the two head restraint bars.
- ► Hook Top Tether hook ④ into Top Tether anchorage ③.
- ► Make sure that Top Tether belt ⑤ is not twisted.
- ► Fold down cover ② of Top Tether anchorage ③.

- ▶ Slide down head restraint (1) until it engages (⊳ page 97). Make sure that you do not interfere with the correct routing of Top Tether belt (5).
- ► Install the LATCH-type (ISOFIX) child restraint system with Top Tether. Comply with the manufacturer's installation instructions when doing so. Make sure that Top Tether belt (5) is tight.

#### Child-proof locks

# Important safety notes

# **↑** WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, even if they are secured in a child restraint system, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury. The children could:

- injure themselves on parts of the vehicle
- be seriously or fatally injured through excessive exposure to extreme heat or cold
- injure themselves or cause an accident with vehicle equipment that can be operated even if the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock or removed from the vehicle, such as seat adjustment, steering wheel adjustment, or the memory function

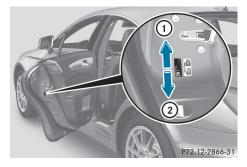
If children open a door, they could injure other persons or get out of the vehicle and injure themselves or be injured by following traffic. Do not expose the child restraint system to direct sunlight. The child restraint system's metal parts, for example, could become very hot, and the child could be burned on these parts.

### Child-proof locks for the rear doors

# **↑** WARNING

Children could open a rear door from inside the vehicle. This could result in serious injuries or an accident. Therefore, when children ride in the rear always secure the rear doors with the child-proof locks.

You secure each door individually with the child-proof locks on the rear doors. A door secured with a child-proof lock cannot be opened from inside the vehicle. When the vehicle is unlocked, the door can be opened from the outside.



- ► To activate: press the child-proof lock lever up in the direction of arrow (1).
- ▶ Make sure that the child-proof locks are working properly.
- ► To deactivate: press the child-proof lock lever down in the direction of arrow 2).

#### Override feature for the rear side windows



#### **↑** WARNING

When children ride on the vehicle's rear seats, activate the override switch. Otherwise, the children could be injured, e.g. by trapping themselves in the rear side window.



► To activate/deactivate: press button ②.

If indicator lamp ① is lit, operation of the rear side windows is deactivated.

Operation is only possible using the switches in the driver's door. If indicator lamp ① is off, operation is possible using the switches in the rear compartment.

#### Panic alarm



► To activate: press PANIC button ① for at least one second.

An alarm sounds and the exterior lighting flashes.

► To deactivate: press PANIC button ① again.

or

- ► Insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press the KEYLESS-GO Start/Stop button. The KEYLESS-GO key must be in the vehicle.

### **1** USA only:

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- 2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

The product label with FCC ID and IC certification number can be found in the battery case of the SmartKey.

① Canada only:

This device complies with RSS-Gen of Industry Canada. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1. This device may not cause interference, and
- 2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

The product label with FCC ID and IC certification number can be found in the battery case of the SmartKey.

#### **Driving safety systems**

#### Driving safety systems overview

In this section, you will find information about the following driving safety systems:

- ABS (Anti-lock Braking System)
- BAS (Brake Assist System)
- BAS PLUS (Brake Assist System Plus)
- ESP® (Electronic Stability Program)
- EBD (Electronic Brake force Distribution)
- ADAPTIVE BRAKE
- PRF-SAFF® Brake

#### Important safety notes

# **↑** WARNING

The following factors increase the risk of accidents:

- Excessive speed, especially in turns
- · Wet and slippery road surfaces
- Following another vehicle too closely

The driving safety systems described in this section cannot reduce these risks or prevent the natural laws of physics from acting on the vehicle. They cannot increase braking or steering efficiency beyond that afforded by the condition of the vehicle brakes and tires or the traction afforded.

Only a safe, attentive, and skillful driver can prevent accidents.

The capabilities of a vehicle equipped with the driving safety systems described in this section must never be exploited in a reckless or dangerous manner which could jeopardize the user's safety or the safety of others.

Always adjust your driving style to the prevailing road and weather conditions and keep a safe distance to other road users and objects on the street.

If a driving system malfunctions, other driving safety systems may also switch off. Observe indicator and warning lamps that may come on as well as messages in the multifunction display that may appear.

1 Please note that the driving safety systems described only work as effectively as possible when there is adequate contact between the tires and the road surface. Pay particular attention to the information regarding tires, recommended minimum tire tread depths etc. in the "Wheels and tires" section (⊳ page 320).

In wintry driving conditions, always use winter tires (M+S tires) and if necessary, snow chains. Only in this way will the driving safety systems described in this section work as effectively as possible.

# ABS (Anti-lock Braking System)

### Important safety notes

 Observe the "Important safety notes" section (⊳ page 63).

ABS regulates brake pressure in such a way that the wheels do not lock when you brake. This allows you to continue steering the vehicle when braking.

ABS works from a speed of about 5 mph (8 km/h) upwards, regardless of road-surface conditions. ABS works on slippery surfaces, even if you only brake gently.

# **↑** WARNING

If the ABS malfunctions, other driving systems such as the BAS or the ESP® are also switched off. Observe indicator and warning lamps that may come on as well as messages in the multifunction display that may appear.

If the ABS malfunctions, the wheels may lock during hard braking, reducing the steering capability and extending the braking distance.

The warning lamp in the instrument cluster lights up when the ignition is switched on. It goes out when the engine is running.

#### **Brakes**

If ABS intervenes when braking, you will feel a pulsing in the brake pedal.

- ▶ If ABS intervenes: continue to depress the brake pedal vigorously until the braking situation is over.
- ► To make a full brake application: depress the brake pedal with full force.

The pulsating brake pedal can be an indication of hazardous road conditions, and functions as a reminder to take extra care while driving.



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Do not pump the brake pedal. Use firm, steady brake pedal pressure instead. Pumping the brake pedal defeats the purpose of the ABS

and significantly reduces braking effectiveness.

# **BAS (Brake Assist System)**

Observe the "Important safety notes" section (> page 63).

BAS operates in emergency braking situations. If you depress the brake pedal quickly, BAS automatically boosts the braking force, thus shortening the stopping distance.

 Keep the brake pedal firmly depressed until the emergency braking situation is over.
 ABS prevents the wheels from locking.

The brakes will function as usual once you release the brake pedal. BAS is deactivated.

#### **↑** WARNING

If the BAS malfunctions, the brake system still functions, but without the additional brake boost available that the BAS would normally provide in an emergency braking maneuver. Therefore, the braking distance may increase.

#### **BAS PLUS (Brake Assist System Plus)**

BAS PLUS is only available in vehicles equipped with DISTRONIC PLUS.

① Observe the "Important safety notes" section (> page 63).

BAS PLUS assists you when braking in a hazardous situation at speeds of over 4 mph (7 km/h), and uses the radar sensor system to assess traffic conditions.

1 This device has been approved by the FCC as a "Vehicular Radar System". The radar sensor is intended for use in an automotive radar system only. Removing, altering or tampering with the device will void any warranties, and is not permitted by the FCC. Do not tamper with, alter, or use in any non-approved way.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

With the help of the radar sensor system, BAS PLUS can detect obstacles that are in the path of your vehicle for an extended period of time.

BAS PLUS can also react to stationary obstacles, e.g. stopped or parked vehicles, at speeds of up to approximately 40 mph (70 km/h).

Should you approach an obstacle and BAS PLUS has detected a risk of collision, BAS PLUS calculates the braking force necessary to avoid a rear-end collision.

- For speeds above 20 mph (30 km/h): if you apply the brakes forcefully, BAS PLUS automatically increases the braking force to a level suitable for the traffic conditions.
- For speeds below 20 mph (30 km/h): if you apply the brakes, BAS PLUS is activated. Braking is performed as late as possible.

If BAS PLUS demands particularly high braking force, preventative passenger protection measures (PRE-SAFE®) are activated simultaneously.

Keep the brake pedal depressed until the emergency braking situation is over. ABS prevents the wheels from locking.

The brakes will work normally again if:

- you release the brake pedal.
- there is no longer any danger of a rear-end collision.
- no obstacle is detected in front of your vehicle.

BAS PLUS is then deactivated.

For BAS PLUS to assist you when driving, the radar sensor system must be switched on and operational; see "Radar sensor system" in the index.

#### **↑** WARNING

BAS PLUS cannot always clearly identify objects and complex traffic situations. BAS PLUS cannot intervene in these cases.

There is a risk of an accident. Always pay careful attention to the traffic situation and be ready to brake.

In particular, the detection of obstacles can be impaired if there is:

- dirt on the sensors or anything else covering the sensors
- snow or heavy rain
- interference by other radar sources
- the possibility of strong radar reflections, for example in parking garages
- a narrow vehicle traveling in front, e.g. a motorbike
- a vehicle traveling in front on a different line

### **↑** WARNING

BAS PLUS does not react:

- to people or animals
- · to oncoming vehicles
- · to crossing traffic
- in curves

As a result, BAS PLUS cannot intervene in critical situations. There is a risk of an accident. Always pay careful attention to the traffic situation and be ready to brake.

Following damage to the front end of the vehicle, have the configuration and operation of the radar sensors checked at a qualified specialist workshop. This also applies to collisions at low speeds where there is no visible damage to the front of the vehicle.

If BAS PLUS is not available due to a malfunction in the radar sensor system, the brake system remains available with full brake boosting effect and BAS.

## ESP® (Electronic Stability Program)

#### Important safety notes

See the "Important safety notes" section(▷ page 63).

If ESP® detects that the vehicle is deviating from the direction desired by the driver, one or more wheels are braked to stabilize the vehicle. If necessary, the engine output is also modified to keep the vehicle on the desired course within physical limits. ESP® assists the driver when pulling away on wet or slippery roads. ESP® can also stabilize the vehicle during braking.

If ESP® intervenes, the SSP® warning lamp flashes in the instrument cluster.

# **↑** WARNING

Under no circumstances should you deactivate ESP® when the ESP® warning lamp in the instrument cluster flashes. Proceed as follows:

- when driving off, apply as little throttle as possible.
- while driving, ease up on the accelerator pedal.
- adapt your speed to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions.

Failure to observe these guidelines could cause the vehicle to skid. ESP® cannot prevent accidents resulting from excessive speed.

- Vehicles without 4MATIC: switch the ignition off when:
  - the parking brake is being tested using a dynamometer
  - the vehicle is being towed with the front axle raised

Application of the brakes by ESP® may otherwise destroy the brake system.

Vehicles with 4MATIC: switch off the ignition when the parking brake is being tested on a brake dynamometer.

Application of the brakes by ESP<sup>®</sup> may otherwise destroy the brake system.

 Only use wheels with the recommended tire sizes. Only then will ESP<sup>®</sup> function properly.

### ETS/4ETS (Electronic Traction System)

Observe the "Important safety notes" section (> page 62).

Traction control is part of ESP®.

Traction control brakes the drive wheels individually if they spin. This enables you to pull away and accelerate on slippery surfaces, for example if the road surface is slippery on one side. On vehicles with 4MATIC, more drive torque is also transferred to the wheel or wheels with traction.

Traction control remains active if you deactivate ESP®.

# Deactivating/activating ESP® (except AMG vehicles)

# **↑** WARNING

ESP® should not be deactivated during normal driving other than in the circumstances described below. Disabling the system will reduce vehicle stability in driving maneuvers.

Do not deactivate ESP® when the emergency or spare wheel is mounted.

ESP® is activated automatically when the engine is started.

It may be best to deactivate ESP® in the following situations:

- · when using snow chains
- in deep snow
- · on sand or gravel

#### **↑** WARNING

Switch on ESP® immediately if one of the previously stated conditions is no longer met.

Otherwise, ESP® cannot stabilize the vehicle if it begins to lurch or when a wheel spins.

If you deactivate ESP®:

- ESP® no longer improves driving stability.
- engine torque is not limited and the drive wheels are able to spin. The spinning wheels produce a cutting effect for better traction.
- traction control is still activated.
- ESP® still provides support when you brake.

If ESP® is deactivated and one or more wheels start to spin, the ESP® warning lamp in the instrument cluster flashes. In such situations, ESP® will not stabilize the vehicle.

# **↑** WARNING

When the ESP® OFF warning lamp is lit, ESP® is deactivated.

If the SSP® warning lamp and the SSP® OFF warning lamp remain lit, ESP® is not available due to a malfunction.

When ESP® is deactivated or not operational, vehicle stability in standard driving maneuvers is reduced.

Adapt your speed and driving to the prevailing road conditions and to the non-operating status of the ESP<sup>®</sup>.

- Avoid spinning the driven wheels for an extended period with ESP® deactivated. You could otherwise damage the drivetrain.
- ► To activate:(> page 210).

The ESP® OFF warning lamp in the instrument cluster goes out.

# Deactivating/activating ESP® (AMG vehicles)

# Activating/deactivating SPORT handling mode

# **⚠ WARNING**

The SPORT handling mode should not be switched on during normal driving.

Switching on the SPORT handling mode will result in the following:

- no restriction to the engine torque
- system supported traction control is limited

The SPORT handling mode is designed for driving on closed tracks when the vehicle's own natural oversteer and understeer characteristics are desired and requires a highly skilled and experienced driver able to handle these critical driving situations.

You could lose control of your vehicle and cause an accident.

Please be aware of these limits when you switch on the SPORT handling mode.

Do not switch on the SPORT handling when a spare wheel is mounted.

ESP® is activated automatically when the engine is started.

i) Vehicles with ECO start/stop function: the ECO start/stop function switches the engine off automatically when the vehicle comes to a stop. The engine starts automatically when the driver wants to pull away again. ESP® remains in its previously selected status. Example: if ESP® was deactivated before the engine was switched off, ESP® remains deactivated when the engine is switched on again.

It may be best to activate SPORT handling mode in the following situations:

- when using snow chains
- in deep snow
- · on sand or gravel

#### **↑** WARNING

Switch off the SPORT handling mode and switch on the ESP® immediately if the aforementioned circumstances do not apply anymore. Otherwise the SPORT handling mode will only stabilize the vehicle to a limited extent when it is starting to skid or a wheel is spinning.

When SPORT handling mode is activated:

- ESP® only improves driving stability to a limited degree.
- engine torque is only restricted to a limited degree, and the drive wheels are able to spin. The spinning wheels produce a cutting effect for better traction.
- traction control is still activated.
- ESP® still provides support when you brake firmly.

If SPORT handling mode is activated and one or more wheels start to spin, the ESP® warning lamp in the instrument cluster flashes. ESP® only stabilizes the vehicle to a limited degree.



- ► To activate: briefly press button ①.

  The SPORT SPORT handling mode warning lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

  The SPORT handling mode message appears in the multifunction display.
- ► To deactivate: briefly press button ①.

  The SPORT SPORT handling mode warning lamp in the instrument cluster goes out.

## Deactivating/activating ESP®

### **↑** WARNING

The ESP® should not be switched off during normal driving.

Disabling of the system will result in the following:

- no restriction to engine torque
- loss of system-supported traction control

"ESP® OFF" is designed for driving on closed tracks when the vehicle's natural oversteer and understeer characteristics are desired and requires a highly skilled and experienced driver able to handle these critical driving situations.

You could lose control of your vehicle and cause an accident.

Please be aware of these limits when you switch off the ESP<sup>®</sup>.

Do not switch off the ESP® when a spare wheel is mounted.

ESP® is activated automatically when the engine is started.

1 Vehicles with ECO start/stop function: the ECO start/stop function switches the engine off automatically when the vehicle comes to a stop. The engine starts automatically when the driver wants to pull away again. ESP® remains in its previously selected status. Example: if ESP® was deactivated before the engine was switched off, ESP® remains deactivated when the engine is switched on again.

It may be best to deactivate ESP® in the following situations:

- · when using snow chains
- in deep snow
- · on sand or gravel

# **↑** WARNING

Switch on ESP® immediately if one of the previously stated conditions is no longer met. Otherwise, ESP® cannot stabilize the vehicle if it begins to lurch or when a wheel spins.

If you deactivate ESP®:

- ESP® no longer improves driving stability.
- engine torque is no longer limited and the drive wheels are able to spin. The spinning wheels produce a cutting effect for better traction.
- · traction control is still activated.
- PRE-SAFE<sup>®</sup> is no longer available, nor is it activated if you brake firmly and ESP<sup>®</sup> intervenes.
- PRE-SAFE® Brake is no longer available, nor is it activated if you brake firmly and ESP® intervenes.
- ESP® still provides support when you brake firmly.

If ESP® is deactivated and one or more wheels start to spin, the ESP® warning lamp in the instrument cluster does not flash. In such situations, ESP® will not stabilize the vehicle.



► To deactivate: press button ① until the ESP® OFF warning lamp lights up in the instrument cluster.

The **9** OFF message appears in the multifunction display.



When the FEP® OFF warning lamp is lit, ESP® is deactivated.

If the SSP® warning lamp and the SFP® ESP® OFF warning lamp remain lit, ESP® is not available due to a malfunction.

When ESP<sup>®</sup> is deactivated or not operational, vehicle stability in standard driving maneuvers is reduced.

Adapt your speed and driving to the prevailing road conditions and to the non-operating status of the FSP®.

- Avoid spinning the driven wheels for an extended period with ESP® deactivated.
  You could otherwise damage the drivetrain.
- ► To activate: briefly press button ①.

  The ☐ ESP® OFF warning lamp in the instrument cluster goes out. The ② ON message appears in the multifunction display.

# EBD (electronic brake force distribution)

① Observe the "Important safety notes" section (> page 63).

EBD monitors and controls the brake pressure on the rear wheels to improve driving stability while braking.

### **↑** WARNING

If EBD has malfunctioned, the braking system remains available with full brake boosting effect. However, the rear wheels can still lock, e.g. under full braking. This could cause you to lose control of your vehicle and cause an accident. You should therefore adapt your driving style to the different handling characteristics.

▶ Observe the notes on warning and indicator lamps (> page 250) as well as display messages (> page 222).

#### ADAPTIVE BRAKE

ADAPTIVE BRAKE enhances braking safety and offers increased braking comfort. In addition to the braking function, ADAPTIVE BRAKE also has the HOLD function (▷ page 170) and hill start assist (▷ page 138). For further information, see Driving tips (▷ page 155).

#### PRE-SAFE® Brake

PRE-SAFE® Brake is only available in vehicles with DISTRONIC PLUS.

① Observe the "Important safety notes" section (▷ page 63).

PRE-SAFE® Brake can help you to minimize the risk of a frontal collision with a vehicle ahead or reduce the effects of such a collision. If PRE-SAFE® Brake has detected a risk of collision, you will be warned visually and acoustically as well as by automatic braking. PRE-SAFE® Brake cannot prevent a collision without your intervention.

At speeds above approximately 4 mph (7 km/h), this function warns you when you are rapidly approaching the vehicle in front. An intermittent warning tone will then sound and the 🛕 distance warning lamp in the instrument cluster will light up.

▶ Brake immediately in order to increase the distance from the vehicle in front.

or

► Take evasive action provided it is safe to do so.

If the driver and front passenger have their seat belt fastened, PRE-SAFE® Brake can also brake the vehicle automatically at speeds from approximately 4 mph (7 km/h) to approximately 124 mph (200 km/h). Due to the nature of the system, particularly complicated driving conditions may cause unnecessary warnings or the unnecessary intervention of PRE-SAFE® Brake. To stop the braking action, you can either depress the accelerator pedal further, activate kickdown

or release the brake pedal.

The braking action of PRE-SAFE® Brake is ended automatically if:

- you maneuver to avoid the obstacle.
- there is no longer any danger of a rear-end collision.
- there is no longer an obstacle detected in front of your vehicle.
- 1 USA only: This device has been approved by the FCC as a "Vehicular Radar System". The radar sensor is intended for use in an automotive radar system only. Removing, altering or tampering with the device will void any warranties, and is not permitted by the FCC. Do not tamper with, alter, or use in any non-approved way.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

- Canada only: This device complies with RSS-210 of Industry Canada. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
  - 1. This device may not cause interference, and
  - 2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device. Removal, tampering, or altering of the device will void any warranties, and is not

permitted. Do not tamper with, alter, or use in any non-approved way.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

With the help of the radar sensor system, PRE-SAFE® Brake can detect obstacles that are in front of your vehicle for an extended period of time.

At speeds up to approximately 40 mph (70 km/h), PRE-SAFE® Brake can also react to stationary obstacles, for example stopped or parked vehicles.

If you approach an obstacle and PRE-SAFE® Brake detects a risk of collision, the system will initially alert you both visually and

acoustically. If you do not brake or take evasive action, the system will warn you by automatically braking the vehicle gently. If there is an increased risk of collision, preventative passenger protection measures (PRE-SAFE®) are activated (▷ page 50). If the risk of collision remains at speeds of over 20 mph (30 km/h) and you do not brake, take evasive action or accelerate significantly, the vehicle may perform automatic braking up to the level of emergency braking. Automatic emergency braking is not performed until immediately prior to an accident that can no longer be avoided.

# **↑** WARNING

Even if PRE-SAFE® Brake slows the vehicle before an imminent rear-end collision, the system cannot avert a collision without the intervention of the driver. There is a risk of an accident. Brake according to the situation or take evasive action. Delayed intervention by the driver can lead to an accident.

# **↑** WARNING

PRE-SAFE® Brake cannot always detect complex traffic situations properly.

In these cases, PRE-SAFE(R) Brake may:

- give an unnecessary warning and then brake the vehicle
- neither give a warning nor intervene

There is a risk of an accident. Always pay particular attention to the traffic situation and be ready to brake, especially if PRE-SAFE(R) Brake warns you. Terminate the intervention in a non-critical driving situation.

In particular, the detection of obstacles can be impaired if there is:

- dirt on the sensors or anything else covering the sensors
- snow or heavy rain
- interference by other radar sources
- the possibility of strong radar reflections, for example in parking garages

- a narrow vehicle traveling in front, e.g. a motorbike
- a vehicle traveling in front on a different line

# **↑** WARNING

PRE-SAFE® Brake does not react:

- to people or animals
- to oncoming vehicles
- to crossing traffic
- in curves

As a result, PRE-SAFE® Brake cannot intervene in critical situations. There is a risk of an accident. Always pay careful attention to the traffic situation and be ready to brake.

In order to maintain the appropriate distance to the vehicle in front and thus prevent a collision, you must apply the brakes yourself.

▶ To activate/deactivate: activate or deactivate PRE-SAFE® Brake in the onboard computer (▷ page 211).

The ➡!➡ symbol appears in the multifunction display as long as the HOLD function is not activated (▷ page 170).

On vehicles with Active Parking Assist, the ➡!➡ symbol is displayed when P is engaged or is selected or if you drive faster than 22 mph (35 km/h).

For PRE-SAFE<sup>®</sup> Brake to assist you when driving, the radar sensor system must be switched on (▷ page 215) and be operational.

Following damage to the front end of the vehicle, have the configuration and operation of the radar sensors checked at a qualified specialist workshop. This also applies to collisions at low speeds where there is no visible damage to the front of the vehicle.

# Theft deterrent locking system

#### **Immobilizer**

The immobilizer prevents your vehicle from being started without the correct SmartKey.

When leaving the vehicle, always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. The engine can be started by anyone with a valid SmartKey that is left inside the vehicle.

- ► To activate with the SmartKey: remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.
- ► To activate with KEYLESS-GO: switch the ignition off and open the driver's door.
- ► To deactivate: switch on the ignition.
- 1 The immobilizer is always deactivated when you start the engine.

In the event that the engine cannot be started when the starter battery is fully charged, the immobilizer may be faulty. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or call 1-800-FOR-MERCedes (in USA) or 1-800-387-0100 (in Canada).

# ATA (anti-theft alarm system)

A visual and audible alarm is triggered if the alarm system is armed and you open:

- a door
- the vehicle with the mechanical key
- the trunk lid
- the hood

The alarm is not switched off, even if you close the open door that has triggered it, for example.

- i) If the alarm stays on for more than 30 seconds, the mbrace (USA only) or TELE AID (Canada only) emergency call system initiates a call to the Customer Assistance Center automatically. The emergency call system initiates the call provided that:
  - you have subscribed to the mbrace/ TELE AID service.
  - the mbrace/TELE AID service has been activated properly.
  - the required mobile phone, power supply and GPS are available.



- ► To arm: lock the vehicle with the SmartKey or KEYLESS-GO.
  Indicator lamp ① flashes. The alarm system is armed after approximately 15 seconds.
- ► To disarm: unlock the vehicle with the SmartKey or KEYLESS-GO.
- ► To stop the alarm using the SmartKey: insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock. The alarm is switched off.

or

- ► Press the or button on the SmartKey.

  The alarm is switched off.
- ➤ To stop the alarm using KEYLESS-GO: grasp the outside door handle. The SmartKey must be outside the vehicle. The alarm is switched off.

or

► Press the Start/Stop button on the dashboard. The SmartKey must be inside the vehicle.

The alarm is switched off.

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# **Useful information**

- This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

# **SmartKey**

#### Important safety notes



# / WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unsupervised in the vehicle, even if they are secured in a child restraint system, and do not give them access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury. They could:

- · injure themselves on vehicle parts
- be seriously or fatally injured by extreme heat or cold
- injure themselves or have an accident with vehicle equipment that may still be in operation even after the SmartKey has been removed from the ignition, such as the seat adjustment, steering wheel adjustment or memory function.

If children open a door, they could cause severe or even fatal injury to other persons; if they get out of the vehicle, they could injure themselves when doing so or be seriously or even fatally injured by any passing traffic.

Do not expose the child restraint system to direct sunlight. The child restraint system's metal parts, for example, could become very hot, and a child could be burned on these parts.



# **⚠ WARNING**

If a key ring is too heavy or too large, the weight acting on the key could cause it to turn in the ignition lock or catch on the steering wheel. This could cause the engine to be switched off suddenly. You may lose control of the vehicle and cause an accident. Do not attach any heavy or large key rings to the key that is inserted in the ignition.

#### **General notes**

If you cannot lock or unlock the vehicle with the SmartKey, either the battery in the SmartKey is discharged, the SmartKey is faulty or the starter battery is discharged.

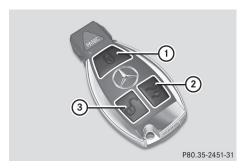
- ► Check the battery in the SmartKey and replace it if necessary (⊳ page 77).
- ▶ Unlock the driver's door using the mechanical key (⊳ page 82).
- ► Lock the vehicle using the mechanical key (⊳ page 82).
- ► Have the starter battery and the battery contacts checked at a qualified specialist

If the SmartKey is faulty, contact Roadside Assistance or a qualified specialist workshop.

### **SmartKey functions**

The SmartKey centrally locks/unlocks:

- · the doors
- · the trunk lid
- the fuel filler flap



- 1 Locks the vehicle
- 2 Unlocks the trunk lid
- ③ Unlocks the vehicle

When unlocking, the turn signals flash once. When locking, they flash three times.

When it is dark, the surround lighting also comes on if it is activated in the on-board computer (> page 214).

If you activate the acoustic locking confirmation function you will hear the following, depending on the date of production of the vehicle:

- an acoustic signal when locking or
- one acoustic signal when unlocking and three when locking.

The audible signal can be activated and deactivated using the on-board computer (> page 215).

► To unlock centrally: press the button.

If you do not open the vehicle within approximately 40 seconds of unlocking:

- the vehicle is locked again.
- the theft deterrent locking system is armed again.
- ▶ To lock centrally: press the 🔒 button.

#### **KEYLESS-GO**

# Important notes on the use of KEYLESS-GO

- Do not keep the KEYLESS-GO key together with:
  - electronic devices, e.g. a mobile phone or another key
- metallic objects, e.g. coins or metal foil.
   This can affect the functionality of KEYLESS-GO.
- Bear in mind that the engine can be started by any of the vehicle occupants if there is a KEYLESS-GO key in the vehicle.

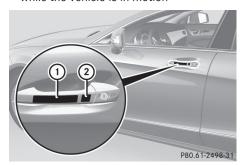
# Locking and unlocking centrally

You can start, lock or unlock the vehicle using KEYLESS-GO. To do this, you only need carry the SmartKey with you. You can combine the KEYLESS-GO functions with those of a conventional key, e.g. using KEYLESS-GO to unlock and pressing the button to lock.

When locking and unlocking using KEYLESS-GO, the distance between the SmartKey and the corresponding door handle must not exceed 3 ft (1 m).

KEYLESS-GO checks whether a valid key is in the vehicle by periodically establishing a radio connection between the vehicle and the key. This happens:

- when the external door handles are touched
- · when starting the engine
- · while the vehicle is in motion



- ➤ To unlock the vehicle: touch the inner surface of the door handle.
- ► To lock the vehicle: touch sensor surface (1).
- ► Convenience closing feature: touch recessed sensor surface ② for an extended period (> page 88).

If you pull on the handle of the trunk lid, only the trunk of the vehicle is unlocked.

# Changing the settings of the locking system

You can change the setting of the locking system in such a way that only the driver's door and the fuel filler flap are unlocked. This is useful if you frequently travel on your own.

- ► To change the setting: press and hold down the and buttons simultaneously for approximately six seconds until the battery check lamp flashes twice (> page 77).
- 1 If the setting of the locking system is changed within the signal range of the vehicle, pressing the or button locks or unlocks the vehicle.

The SmartKey now functions as follows:

- ► To unlock the driver's door: press the button once.
- ► To unlock centrally: press the button twice.
- ▶ To lock centrally: press the 😈 button.

The KEYLESS-GO function is changed as follows:

- ➤ To unlock the driver's door: touch the inner surface of the door handle on the driver's door.
- ► To unlock centrally: touch the inner surface of the door handle on the front-passenger door or the rear door.
- ► To lock centrally: touch the outer sensor surface on one of the door handles.

# Restoring the factory settings

▶ Press the and buttons simultaneously for approximately six seconds until the battery check lamp flashes twice.

#### Mechanical key

#### **General notes**

If the vehicle can no longer be locked or unlocked with the SmartKey, use the mechanical key.

If you use the mechanical key to unlock and open the driver's door or the trunk lid, the anti-theft alarm system will be triggered (> page 71).

There are several ways to turn off the alarm:

➤ To turn the alarm off with the SmartKey: press the or button on the SmartKey.

or

- ► Insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock. or
- ► To deactivate the alarm with KEYLESS-GO: press the Start/Stop button in the ignition lock. The SmartKey must be in the vehicle.

or

Lock or unlock the vehicle using KEYLESS-GO. The SmartKey must be outside the vehicle.

If you unlock the vehicle using the mechanical key, the fuel filler flap will not be unlocked automatically.

► To unlock the fuel filler flap: insert the SmartKey in the ignition lock.

# Removing the mechanical key



▶ Push release catch (1) in the direction of the arrow and at the same time, remove mechanical key (2) from the SmartKey.

# SmartKey battery

# Important safety notes

Have the batteries changed at a qualified specialist workshop.

# **↑** WARNING

Batteries contain toxic substances.

Swallowing batteries can lead to serious health issues or death.

Keep batteries out of the reach of children. Seek medical attention immediately if a battery is swallowed.



# **⚠** WARNING

The SmartKey batteries contain perchlorate material, which may require special handling and regard for the environment. Observe government disposal guidelines. California residents, see www.dtsc.ca.gov/ HazardousWaste/Perchlorate/ index.cfm.

# Checking the battery



▶ Press the 🕡 or 🕡 button. The battery is working properly if battery check lamp (1) lights up briefly

If battery check lamp (1) does not light up briefly during the test, the battery is discharged.

- ► Changing the battery (> page 77)
- 1 You can obtain the battery at a qualified specialist workshop.
- If the SmartKey battery is checked within the signal reception range of the vehicle, pressing the  $\bigcirc$  or  $\bigcirc$  button locks or unlocks the vehicle.

# Replacing the battery

You require a CR 2025 3 V cell battery.

► Take the mechanical key out of the SmartKey (⊳ page 76).



▶ Press mechanical key ② into the opening in the SmartKey in the direction of the

arrow until battery tray cover ① opens. When doing so, do not hold cover ① shut.

► Remove battery tray cover ①.



- ► Repeatedly tap the SmartKey against your palm until battery (3) falls out.
- ► Insert the new battery with the positive terminal facing upwards. Use a lint-free cloth to do so.
- ► Make sure that the surface of the battery is free from lint, grease and all other forms of contamination.
- ► Insert the front tabs of battery tray cover (1) and then press to close it.
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the SmartKey.
- ► Check the function of all SmartKey buttons on the vehicle.

<b>Problems</b>	with th	ne Smart	Key
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Problem	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
You cannot lock or unlock the vehicle using the SmartKey.	<ul> <li>The SmartKey battery is discharged or nearly discharged.</li> <li>▶ Try again to lock/unlock the vehicle using the remote control function of the SmartKey. Point the tip of the SmartKey at the driver's door handle from close range and press the</li></ul>
	<ul> <li>▶ Lock (▷ page 82) or unlock (▷ page 82) the vehicle using the mechanical key.</li> <li>▶ Have the SmartKey checked at a qualified specialist workshop.</li> </ul>
You can no longer lock or unlock the vehicle using KEYLESS-GO.	There is interference from a powerful source of radio waves.  ▶ Lock/unlock the vehicle using the remote control function of the SmartKey. Point the tip of the SmartKey at the driver's door handle from close range and press the    □ / □ button.
	<ul> <li>There is a malfunction with KEYLESS-GO.</li> <li>Lock/unlock the vehicle using the remote control function of the SmartKey. Point the tip of the SmartKey at the driver's door handle from close range and press the</li></ul>
You have lost a SmartKey.	<ul> <li>Have the SmartKey deactivated at a qualified specialist workshop.</li> <li>Report the loss immediately to the vehicle insurers.</li> <li>If necessary, have the locks changed as well.</li> </ul>
You have lost the mechanical key.	<ul><li>Report the loss immediately to the vehicle insurers.</li><li>If necessary, have the locks changed as well.</li></ul>

Problem	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
The engine cannot be started using the SmartKey.	<ul> <li>The on-board voltage is too low.</li> <li>Switch off non-essential consumers, e.g. seat heating or interior lighting, and try to start the engine again.</li> <li>If this does not work:</li> <li>Check the starter battery and charge it if necessary (▷ page 308).</li> <li>or</li> <li>Jump-start the vehicle (▷ page 311).</li> <li>or</li> <li>Consult a qualified specialist workshop.</li> </ul>
The engine cannot be started using KEYLESS-GO. The SmartKey is in the vehicle.	<ul><li>A door is open. Therefore, the SmartKey cannot be detected as easily.</li><li>▶ Close the door and try to start the vehicle again.</li></ul>
	There is interference from a powerful source of radio waves.  ▶ Start your vehicle with the SmartKey in the ignition lock.

#### **Doors**

# Important safety notes



### ♠ WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unsupervised in the vehicle, even if they are secured in a child restraint system, and do not give them access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury. They could:

- injure themselves on vehicle parts
- be seriously or fatally injured by extreme heat or cold
- injure themselves or have an accident with vehicle equipment that may still be in operation even after the SmartKey has been removed from the ignition, such as the seat adjustment, steering wheel adjustment or memory function.

If children open a door, they could cause severe or even fatal injury to other persons; if they get out of the vehicle, they could injure themselves when doing so or be seriously or even fatally injured by any passing traffic.

Do not expose the child restraint system to direct sunlight. The child restraint system's metal parts, for example, could become very hot, and a child could be burned on these parts.

# **↑** WARNING

Do not carry heavy or hard objects in the passenger compartment or trunk unless they are firmly secured in place.

Unsecured or improperly positioned cargo increases a child's risk of injury in the event of

- · strong braking maneuvers
- · sudden changes of direction
- an accident

# Unlocking and opening doors from the inside

You can open a door from inside the vehicle even if it has been locked. You can only open the rear doors from inside the vehicle if they are not secured by the child-proof locks (> page 61).

Only open the door when the traffic situation permits.

If the vehicle was previously locked with the SmartKey or with KEYLESS-GO, opening the vehicle from the inside will activate the antitheft alarm system. Switch off the alarm (> page 71).



► Pull door handle ②.

If the door is locked, locking knob ① pops up. The door is unlocked and can be opened.

# Centrally locking and unlocking the vehicle from the inside

You can centrally lock or unlock the vehicle from the inside.

The central locking/unlocking button does not lock or unlock the fuel filler flap.

1 You cannot unlock the vehicle centrally from the inside if the vehicle has been locked with the SmartKey or KEYLESS-GO.



- ► To unlock: press button (1).
- ► To lock: press button ②.

  If all the doors are closed, the vehicle locks.

You can open a front door from inside the vehicle even if it has been locked. Only open the door when the traffic situation permits. If the vehicle has been locked with the central locking button:

- and the SmartKey is set to its factory setting, the entire vehicle is unlocked if a front door is opened from the inside
- and the SmartKey is set to an individual setting, only the front door that is opened from inside the vehicle is unlocked.

If the vehicle has been locked centrally with the SmartKey or with KEYLESS-GO, it is not unlocked when the release button for the central locking is used.

# **Automatic locking feature**

When the ignition is switched on and the wheels of the vehicle are turning at a speed of more than 9 mph (15 km/h), the vehicle locks automatically.

You could therefore be locked out when:

- the vehicle is being pushed.
- the vehicle is being towed.
- the vehicle is being tested on a dynamometer.



- ➤ To deactivate: press and hold button ① for about five seconds until a tone sounds.
- ► To activate: press and hold button ② for about five seconds until a tone sounds.
- 1 If you press one of the two buttons and do not hear a tone, the relevant setting has already been selected.

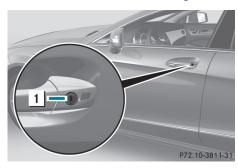
You can also switch the automatic locking function on and off using the on-board computer (> page 215).

# Unlocking the driver's door (mechanical key)

If the vehicle can no longer be unlocked with the SmartKey, use the mechanical key.

If you use the mechanical key to unlock and open the driver's door, the anti-theft alarm system will be triggered (⊳ page 71).

- ► Take the mechanical key out of the SmartKey (> page 76).
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the lock of the driver's door as far as it will go.

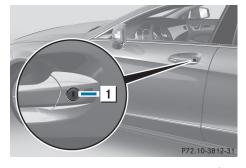


- ► Turn the mechanical key counter-clockwise to position 1.
  - The door is unlocked.
- ➤ Turn the mechanical key back and remove it.
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the SmartKey.

# Locking the vehicle (mechanical key)

If the vehicle can no longer be locked with the SmartKey, use the mechanical key.

- ▶ Open the driver's door.
- ► Close the front-passenger door and the trunk lid.
- ▶ Press the locking button (> page 81).
- Check whether the locking knobs on the front-passenger door and the rear doors are still visible. Press down the locking knobs by hand, if necessary.
- ► Close the driver's door.
- ► Take the mechanical key out of the SmartKey (> page 76).
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the lock of the driver's door as far as it will go.



- ► Turn the mechanical key clockwise as far as it will go to position 1.
- ➤ Turn the mechanical key back and remove it.
- ► Make sure that the doors and the trunk lid are locked.
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the SmartKey.

1 If you lock the vehicle as described above, the fuel filler flap is not locked. The antitheft alarm system is not armed.

#### **Trunk**

# Important safety notes

Do not leave the SmartKey in the trunk. You could otherwise lock yourself out.

# **↑** WARNING

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# **↑** WARNING

Make sure the trunk lid is closed when the engine is running and while driving. Among other dangers, deadly carbon monoxide (CO) gases may enter the vehicle interior resulting in unconsciousness and death.

I The trunk lid swings upwards when opened. Therefore, make sure that there is sufficient clearance above the trunk lid.

To open the trunk lid completely, a minimum clearance of 5.41 ft (1.65 m) above the ground is necessary.

# Vehicles without trunk lid remote closing feature: the trunk lid can be:

- · opened and closed manually from outside
- opened automatically from outside
- opened automatically from inside
- locked separately
- unlocked with the mechanical key
- opened with the emergency release button

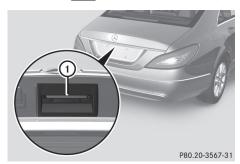
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- opened with the emergency release button

# Opening and closing manually

# Opening

▶ Press the 🕡 button on the SmartKey.



- ▶ Pull handle (1).
- ▶ Raise the trunk lid.

# Closing

# **↑** WARNING

To prevent possible personal injury, always keep hands and fingers away from the trunk opening when closing the trunk lid. Be especially careful when small children are around.



- ▶ Pull the trunk lid down using recess (1).
- ▶ If necessary, lock the vehicle with the button on the SmartKey (⊳ page 74) or with KEYLESS-GO (⊳ page 75).
- 1 If a KEYLESS-GO key is detected in the trunk, the trunk lid cannot be locked and then opens again.

# Opening/closing automatically from outside

# Important safety notes

#### ♠ WARNING

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■ The trunk lid swings upwards when opened. Therefore, make sure that there is sufficient clearance above the trunk lid.

To open the trunk lid completely, a minimum clearance of 5.41 ft (1.65 m) above the ground is necessary.

#### Opening

You can open the trunk lid automatically using the SmartKey or the handle in the trunk lid.

▶ Press and hold the 🂢 button on the SmartKey until the trunk lid opens.

▶ When the trunk is unlocked, pull the trunk lid handle and let it go again immediately.

#### Closing



# / WARNING

Monitor the closing procedure carefully to make sure no one is in danger of being injured. To prevent possible personal injury, always keep hands and fingers away from the trunk opening when closing the trunk lid. Be especially careful when small children are around. To stop the closing procedure, do one of the following:

- Press button on the SmartKey.
- Press the remote trunk opening/closing switch (on the driver's door).
- · Press the trunk closing switch.

- Press the KEYLESS-GO locking/closing switch.
- Pull the trunk lid handle.

Even with the SmartKey removed from the starter switch or the SmartKey with KEYLESS-GO removed from the vehicle, the remote trunk opening/closing switch can be operated. Therefore, do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

You can close the trunk lid automatically by using the closing button<sup>3</sup> or locking button<sup>4</sup>.



- ► To close: press closing button ① in the trunk lid.
- ► To close and lock simultaneously:

  Press locking button ② in the trunk lid.
- 1 If you leave a KEYLESS-GO key in the trunk, the trunk lid will not lock.

# Opening/closing automatically from inside

# **MARNING MARNING**

Maintain sight of the area around the rear of the vehicle while operating the trunk lid with the door mounted switch. Monitor the closing procedure carefully to make sure no one is in danger of being injured. To interrupt the closing procedure, release the door mounted remote trunk opening/closing switch again.

Even with the SmartKey removed from the starter switch or the SmartKey with KEYLESS-GO removed from the vehicle, the remote trunk opening/closing switch can be operated. Therefore, do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

# **↑** WARNING

Make sure the trunk lid is closed when the engine is running and while driving. Among other dangers, deadly carbon monoxide (CO) gases may enter the vehicle interior resulting in unconsciousness and death.

You can open and close the trunk lid from the driver's seat when the vehicle is stationary and unlocked.



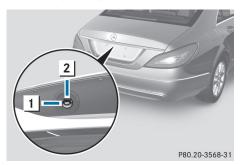
- ➤ **To open:** pull remote operating switch for trunk lid ① until the trunk lid opens.
- ► To close: press remote operating switch for trunk lid (1) until the trunk lid is closed.

- 3 For vehicles with the trunk lid remote closing feature only.
- <sup>4</sup> For vehicles with the trunk lid remote closing feature and KEYLESS-GO only.

# Locking the trunk separately

You can lock the trunk separately. If you then unlock the vehicle centrally, the trunk remains locked and cannot be opened.

- ► Close the trunk lid.
- ► Take the mechanical key out of the SmartKey (> page 76).



- ► Insert the mechanical key into the trunk lid lock as far as the stop.
- ► Turn the mechanical key clockwise from position 1 to position 2.
- ▶ Remove the mechanical key.
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the SmartKey.

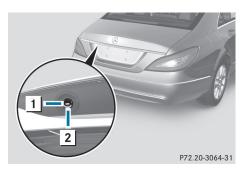
# Unlocking the trunk (mechanical key)

I The trunk lid swings upwards when opened. Therefore, make sure that there is sufficient clearance above the trunk lid.

If the trunk cannot be unlocked with the SmartKey or KEYLESS-GO, use the mechanical key.

If you use the mechanical key to unlock and open the trunk lid, the anti-theft alarm system will be triggered (▷ page 71).

- ► Take the mechanical key out of the SmartKey (> page 76).
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the trunk lid lock as far as the stop.



► Turn the mechanical key counter-clockwise from position 1 as far as it will go to position 2.

The trunk is unlocked.

- ► Turn the mechanical key back to position

  1 and remove it.
- ► Insert the mechanical key into the SmartKey.

# Trunk emergency release

You can open the trunk lid from inside the vehicle with the emergency release button.



► Briefly press emergency release button (1).

The trunk lid unlocks and opens.

The trunk lid can be unlocked and opened with the trunk lid emergency release when the vehicle is stationary or while driving.

Trunk lid emergency release light:

- emergency release button (1) flashes for 30 minutes after the trunk lid is opened
- emergency release button (1) flashes for 60 minutes after the trunk lid is closed.

The trunk lid emergency release does not open the trunk lid if the battery is disconnected or discharged.

#### Side windows

#### Important safety notes

# **↑** WARNING

When opening or closing the door windows, make sure that there is no danger of anyone being harmed by the opening/closing procedure.

The door windows are equipped with automatic operation and the anti-entrapment feature. If in automatic mode a door window encounters an obstruction that blocks its path, the anti-entrapment feature will stop the door window and open it slightly.

The door windows operate differently when the switch is pulled. See the "Problems with door windows" section for details.

The closing of the door windows can be immediately halted by releasing the switch or, if the switch was pulled past the resistance point and released, by either pressing or pulling the respective switch.

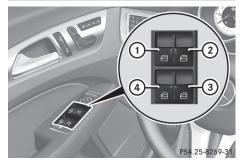
If a door window encounters an obstruction that blocks its path in a circumstance where you are closing the windows by pressing and holding the button on the SmartKey or by pressing and holding the lock button (vehicles with KEYLESS-GO) on an outside door handle, the anti-entrapment feature will not operate.

Activate the override switch when children are riding in the back seats of the vehicle. The children may otherwise injure themselves, e.g. by becoming trapped in the door window opening.

# **↑** WARNING

Do not keep any part of your body up against the window pane when opening a window. The downward motion of the pane may pull that part of your body down between the window pane and the door frame and trap it there. If there is a risk of entrapment, release the switch and pull it to close the window.

# Opening and closing the side windows



- Front left
- (2) Front right
- (3) Rear right
- (4) Rear left

precedence.

The switches for all side windows are located on the driver's door. There is also a switch on each door for the corresponding side window. The switches on the driver's door take

- 1 The side windows cannot be operated from the rear when the override feature for the side windows is activated (▷ page 61).
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 1 or 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ **To open:** press the corresponding switch.
- ► To close: pull the corresponding switch.
- 1 If you press the switch beyond the point of resistance, an automatic opening/ closing process is started in the corresponding direction. You can stop

automatic operation by operating the switch again.

1 You can continue to operate the side windows after you switch off the engine or remove the SmartKey. This function is available for up to five minutes or until the driver's or front-passenger door is opened.

# Convenience opening

You can ventilate the vehicle before you start driving. To do this, the key is used to carry out the following functions simultaneously:

- · unlock the vehicle
- open the side windows
- open the sliding sunroof
- switch on the seat ventilation for the driver's seat
- 1 The convenience opening feature can only be operated using the SmartKey. The SmartKey must be close to the driver's door handle.
- Point the tip of the SmartKey at the driver's door handle.
- ▶ Press and hold the button until the side windows and the sliding sunroof are in the desired position.
- ► To interrupt convenience opening: release the button.

#### Convenience closing

#### General notes

When you lock the vehicle, you can simultaneously:

- · close the side windows
- · close the sliding sunroof

# **↑** WARNING

When closing the door windows and the sliding sunroof, make sure that there is no

danger of anyone being harmed by the closing procedure.

If potential danger exists, proceed as follows:

Release the button to stop the closing procedure. To open, press and hold the button. To continue the closing procedure after making sure that there is no danger of anyone being harmed by the closing procedure, press and hold the button.

Vehicles with KEYLESS-GO:

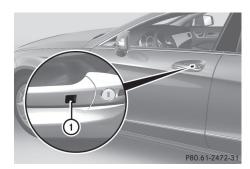
- Release the sensor surface on the outside door handle to stop the closing procedure.
- Immediately pull on the same outside door handle and hold firmly. The door windows and the sliding sunroof will open for as long as the door handle is held but the door is not opened.

# Using the SmartKey

- 1 The SmartKey must be close to the driver's door handle.
- ► Point the tip of the SmartKey at the driver's door handle.
- ▶ Press and hold the 😈 button until the side windows and the sliding sunroof are fully closed.
- ► Make sure that all the side windows and the sliding sunroof are closed.
- ► To interrupt convenience closing: release the button.

#### Using KEYLESS-GO

The KEYLESS-GO key must be outside the vehicle. All the doors must be closed.



- ► Touch recessed sensor surface (1) on the door handle until the side windows and the sliding sunroof are fully closed.
- Make sure you only touch recessed sensor surface (1).
- ▶ Make sure that all the side windows and the sliding sunroof are closed.
- ► To interrupt convenience closing: release recessed sensor surface (1) on the door handle.

# Resetting the side windows

You must reset each side window if a side window can no longer be closed fully.

- ▶ Close all the doors.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 1 or 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Pull the corresponding switch on the door control panel until the side window is completely closed. (⊳ page 87)
- ▶ Hold the switch for an additional second.

If the side window opens again slightly:

- ▶ Immediately pull the corresponding switch on the door control panel until the side window is completely closed (▷ page 87).
- ▶ Hold the switch for an additional second.
- ▶ If the corresponding side window remains closed after the button has been released, the side window has been reset correctly. If this is not the case, repeat the steps above again.

#### Problems with the side windows

Problem: a side window cannot be closed because it is blocked by objects, e.g. leaves in the window guide.

- ▶ Remove the objects.
- ▶ Close the side window.

Problem: a side window cannot be closed and you cannot see the cause.

# **↑** WARNING

Closing the side windows with increased force or without the anti-entrapment feature could lead to serious or even fatal injury. Make sure that nobody can become trapped when closing the side windows.

If a side window is obstructed during closing and reopens again slightly:

► Immediately after the window blocks, pull the corresponding switch again until the side window has closed.

The side window is closed with increased force.

If a side window is obstructed again during closing and reopens again slightly:

► Immediately after the window blocks, pull the corresponding switch again until the side window has closed.

The side window is closed without the antientrapment feature.

#### **↑** WARNING

Pulling and holding the switch to close the door window immediately after it had been blocked two times will cause the door window to close without the anti-entrapment feature for as long as you hold the switch.

# Sliding sunroof

# Important safety notes



# **↑** WARNING

When opening or closing the sliding sunroof, make sure that there is no danger of anyone

being harmed by the opening/closing procedure.

The sliding sunroof is equipped with automatic operation and the anti-entrapment feature. If the movement of the sliding sunroof is blocked during the closing procedure, the sliding sunroof will stop and open slightly.

The sliding sunroof operates differently when the sliding sunroof switch is pressed and held. See the "Problems with the sliding sunroof" section for more details.

The opening/closing procedure of the sliding sunroof can be immediately halted by releasing the sliding sunroof switch or, if the sliding sunroof switch was moved past the resistance point and released, by moving the sliding sunroof switch in any direction.

# **↑** WARNING

The sliding sunroof is made out of glass. In the event of an accident, the glass may shatter. This may result in an opening in the roof.

In a vehicle rollover, occupants not wearing their seat belts or not wearing them properly may be thrown out of the opening. Such an opening also presents a potential for injury for occupants wearing their seat belts properly, as entire body parts or portions of them may protrude from the passenger compartment.

Only open the sliding sunroof if it is free of snow and ice. Otherwise, malfunctions may occur.

Do not allow anything to protrude from the sliding sunroof. Otherwise, the seals could be damaged.

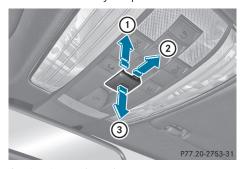
- I The weather can change abruptly. It could start to rain or snow. Make sure that the sliding sunroof is closed when you leave the vehicle. The vehicle electronics can be damaged if water enters the vehicle interior.
- Resonance noises can occur in addition to the usual airflow noises when the sliding sunroof is open. They are caused by minor pressure fluctuations in the vehicle interior.

Change the position of the sliding sunroof or open a side window slightly to reduce or eliminate these noises.

# Operating the sliding sunroof

# Opening and closing

You can continue to operate the sliding sunroof after switching off the engine or removing the SmartKey from the ignition lock. This function remains active for five minutes or until you open a front door.



Overhead control panel

- 1) To raise
- ② To open
- 3 To close/lower
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 1 or 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press or pull the switch in the corresponding direction.
- i If you press the switch beyond the point of resistance, an automatic opening/closing process is started in the corresponding direction. You can stop automatic operation by operating the switch again.

The automatic opening and raising feature is available only when the sliding sunroof is closed.

The sun protection cover automatically opens along with the sliding sunroof. You can open or close the sun protection cover manually when the sliding sunroof is raised or closed.

#### Resetting

Reset the sliding sunroof if it does not move smoothly.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Raise the sliding sunroof fully at the rear (⊳ page 90).
- ▶ Keep the switch pressed for another second.
- ▶ Make sure that the sliding sunroof can be fully opened and closed again (⊳ page 90).
- ▶ If this is not the case, repeat the steps above again.
- If the sliding sunroof still cannot be opened or closed fully after resetting, contact a qualified specialist workshop.

# Problems with the sliding sunroof

Problem: the sunroof cannot be closed and you cannot see the cause.

# **⚠ WARNING**

You could be severely or even fatally injured when closing the sliding sunroof with increased closing force or if the antientrapment feature is deactivated. Make sure that nobody can become trapped when closing the sliding sunroof.

If the sliding sunroof is obstructed during closing and reopens again slightly:

► Immediately after the sliding sunroof blocks, pull the switch in the overhead control panel down to the point of resistance and hold it until the sliding sunroof is closed. The sliding sunroof is closed with increased

force.

If the sliding sunroof is obstructed again during closing and reopens again slightly:

► Immediately after the sliding sunroof blocks, pull the switch in the overhead control panel down to the point of resistance and hold it until the sliding sunroof is closed.

The sliding sunroof is closed without the anti-entrapment feature.

# **↑** WARNING

Pressing and holding the sliding sunroof switch to close the sliding sunroof immediately after it had been blocked two times will cause the sliding sunroof to close without the anti-entrapment feature for as long as you hold the switch.

I If the sliding sunroof still cannot be opened or closed as a result of a malfunction, contact a qualified specialist workshop.

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# **Useful information**

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# Correcting the driver's seat position



Observe the safety guidelines on (> page 95).

► Check whether you have adjusted seat ③ properly (> page 96).

When adjusting the seat, make sure:

- you are as far away from the driver's air bag as possible.
- you are sitting in a normal upright position.
- you can fasten the seat belt properly.

- you have moved the backrest to an almost vertical position.
- you have set the seat cushion angle so that your thighs are gently supported.
- you can depress the pedals properly.
- Check whether the head restraint is adjusted properly (▷ page 96).
  When doing so, make sure that you have adjusted the head restraint so that the back of your head is supported at eye level by the center of the head restraint.

Observe the safety guidelines on (> page 100).

► Check whether steering wheel ① is adjusted properly.

Adjusting the steering wheel electrically (▷ page 101)

When adjusting the steering wheel, make sure:

- you can hold the steering wheel with your arms slightly bent.
- you can move your legs freely.
- you can see all the displays in the instrument cluster clearly.

Observe the safety guidelines on (⊳ page 52).

► Check whether you have fastened seat belt ② properly (> page 54).

The seat belt should:

- fit snugly across your body.
- be routed across the middle of your shoulder.
- be routed in your pelvic area across the hip joints
- ▶ Before starting off, adjust the rear-view mirror and the exterior mirrors
   (▷ page 102) in such a way that you have a good view of road and traffic conditions.
- Vehicles with a memory function: save the seat, steering wheel and exterior mirror settings (⊳ page 105).

#### **Seats**

### Important safety notes

# **MARNING**

In order to avoid possible loss of vehicle control, all seat, head restraint, steering wheel and rear view mirror adjustments, as well as fastening of seat belts, must be done before setting the vehicle in motion.

# **↑** WARNING

Do not adjust the driver's seat while driving. Adjusting the seat while driving could cause the driver to lose control of the vehicle.

Never travel in a moving vehicle with the seat backrest in an excessively reclined position as this can be dangerous. You could slide under the seat belt in a collision. If you slide under it, the seat belt would apply force at the abdomen or neck. This could cause serious or fatal injuries. The seat backrest and seat belts provide the best restraint when the wearer is in a position that is as upright as possible and seat belts are properly positioned on the body.

# **↑** WARNING

Your seat belt must be adjusted so that you can correctly fasten your seat belt.

Observe the following points:

- adjust the seat backrest until your arms are slightly angled when holding the steering wheel.
- adjust the seat to a comfortable seating position that still allows you to reach the accelerator/brake pedal safely. The position should be as far back as possible with the driver still able to operate the controls properly.
- adjust the head restraint so that it is as close to the head as possible and the center

of the head restraint supports the back of the head at eye level.

 never place hands under the seat or near any moving parts while a seat is being adjusted.

Failure to do so could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

# **↑** WARNING

The electrically adjustable seats can be operated at any time. Therefore, do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

# **↑** WARNING

According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained on the rear seats than on the front-passenger seat. Thus, we strongly recommend that children be placed in the rear seat whenever possible. Regardless of seating position, children 12 years old and under must be seated and properly secured in an appropriately sized child restraint system or booster seat recommended for the size and weight of the child. For additional information, see the "Children in the vehicle" section.

A child's risk of serious or fatal injuries is significantly increased if the child restraints are not properly secured in the vehicle and/or the child is not properly secured in the child restraint.

#### **↑** WARNING

For your protection, drive only with properly positioned head restraints.

Adjust the head restraint so that it is as close to the head as possible and the center of the head restraint supports the back of the head at eye level. This will reduce the potential for injury to the head and neck in the event of an accident or similar situation.

Do not drive the vehicle without the seat head restraints. Head restraints are intended to help reduce injuries during an accident.

- I To avoid damage to the seats and the seat heating, observe the following information:
  - · do not spill any liquids on the seats. If liquid is spilled on the seats, dry them as soon as possible.
  - if the seat covers are damp or wet, do not switch on the seat heating. The seat heating should also not to be used to dry the seats.
  - · clean the seat covers as recommended; see the "Interior care" section.
  - do not transport heavy loads on the seats. Do not place sharp objects on the seat cushions, e.g. knives, nails or tools. The seats should only be occupied by passengers, if possible.
  - when the seat heating is in operation, do not cover the seats with insulating materials, e.g. blankets, coats, bags, seat covers, child seats or booster seats.
- Make sure that there are no objects in the footwell or behind the seats when resetting the seats. There is a risk that the seats and/or the objects could be damaged.
- The head restraints in the front seats are installed with the NECK-PRO system (⊳ page 50). For this reason, it is not possible to remove the head restraints from the front seats.

For more information, contact a qualified specialist workshop.

- Other topics:
  - Rear bench seat through-loading feature (⊳ page 265)

# Adjusting the seats electrically



- Head restraint height
- ② Seat cushion angle
- ③ Seat height
- (4) Seat fore-and-aft adjustment
- (5) Backrest angle
- 1 If PRE-SAFE® has been activated, the front-passenger seat is moved to a better position if it was previously set unfavorably.
- 1 You can store the seat settings using the memory function (⊳ page 105).
- 1 Vehicles with the through-loading feature: if you fold down a rear seat backrest, the respective front seat is moved forwards slightly in order to avoid contact.

#### Adjusting the head restraints

# Adjusting the head restraints electrically

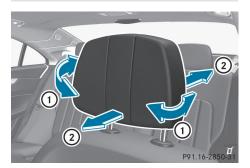
► To adjust the head restraint height: slide the switch for head restraint adjustment (⊳ page 96) up or down in the direction of the arrow.

# Adjusting the luxury head restraints



# **MARNING**

When folding back the head restraint side bolsters, do not put your hands between the side bolster and the cushion holder. There is a danger of becoming trapped.



- ➤ To adjust the side bolsters of the head restraint: push or pull right and/or left-hand side bolster ① into the desired position.
- ➤ To adjust the angle of the head restraint: push or pull the head restraint in the direction of arrow ②.

#### Rear seat head restraints

#### Important safety notes

# **MARNING**

For your protection, drive only with properly positioned head restraints.

Adjust the head restraints so that they are as close as possible to your head. This will reduce the potential for injury to the head and neck in the event of an accident or similar situation.

Whenever the rear seats are occupied, only drive the vehicle with the head restraints installed and engaged. Head restraints are intended to help reduce injuries during an accident.

# **↑** WARNING

Make sure that the rear seat head restraints are engaged. Otherwise, their protective function cannot be guaranteed.

Otherwise, the back of the head will not be supported in the event of a collision. That could cause serious or even fatal injuries.

Rear seat occupants could be severely or even fatally injured.

# Adjusting the rear seat head restraint angle

Adjust the head restraint so that it is as close as possible to your head.



▶ Pull or push the top of the head restraint until it is in the desired position.

# Removing and installing the rear seat head restraints

# **↑** WARNING

Occupants should only travel sitting on seats which have the head restraints installed. In the event of an accident, this reduces the risk of injury for passengers seated in the rear compartment.

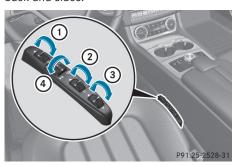
Make sure that the rear window roller sunblind has been retracted before the rear head restraints are removed. You could otherwise damage the roller sunblind.



- ► To remove: pull the head restraint up to the stop.
- ▶ Press release catch ① and pull the head restraint out of the guides.
- ➤ To re-install: insert the head restraint so that the notches on the bar are on the left when viewed in the direction of travel.
- ► Push the head restraint down until you hear it engage in position.

# Adjusting the multicontour seat<sup>5</sup>

You can adjust the contour of the driver's seat so as to provide optimum support for your back and sides.

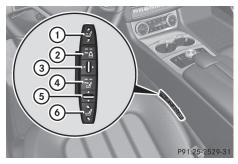


- (1) To adjust the thigh cushion
- ② To adjust the backrest contour in the lumbar region
- To adjust the backrest contour in the upper back region
- 4 To adjust the side bolsters of the seat backrest
- ▶ Make sure that the SmartKey is in position2 in the ignition lock.

# Adjusting the active multicontour seat

The active multicontour seat on the driver's side automatically adapts the sides of the backrest to your current driving style. You can adjust the contour of the seats individually so

as to provide optimum support for your back and sides.



- (1) To adjust the seat cushion length
- (2) To switch the dynamic function on or off
- To adjust the side bolsters of the seat backrest
- 4) To switch the massage function on or off
- To adjust the contour of the backrest to increase/decrease support
- To adjust the height/depth of the backrest contour

#### **Dynamic function**

The dynamic function adjusts the air cushions in the side bolsters of the seat backrests to ensure ideal lateral support at all times.

You can choose between two different levels.

Level 1 (one indicator lamp)	Standard setting: slightly increased lateral support and slow build-up of air pressure in the side bolsters of the seat backrest.
Level 2 (two indicator lamps)	Sport setting: increased lateral support and fast build-up of pressure in the side bolsters of the seat backrest.

<sup>5</sup> Canada only.

- ➤ To switch on: press button ② once or twice until the desired level is set. One or two indicator lamps in button ② light up.
- ► To switch off: press button ② repeatedly until all indicator lamps in button ② go out.

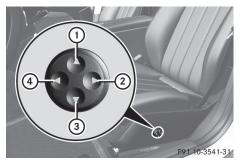
# Massage function (PULSE)

The massage function helps you to prevent muscle tension on long journeys. You can choose between two levels.

► To switch on: press button ④ once or twice until the desired level is set. One or two indicator lamps in button ④ light up. The air cushions in the lumbar region vibrate for approximately 20 minutes.

# Adjusting the four-way lumbar support

You can adjust the contour of the front seat backrests individually to provide optimum support for your back.



- 1 To raise the backrest contour
- (2) To soften the backrest contour
- To lower the backrest contour
- 4 To harden the backrest contour

# Switching the seat heating on/off

### Switching on/off

# **MARNING MARNING**

Repeatedly setting the seat heating to level 3 may result in excessive seat temperatures. The health of passengers that have limited temperature sensitivity or a limited ability to react to excessively high temperatures may be affected or they may even suffer burn-like injuries. Therefore, do not use seat heating level 3 repeatedly.

The three red indicator lamps in the button indicate the heating level you have selected.

1 If the battery voltage is too low, the seat heating may switch off.



Driver's and front-passenger seat



Rear seats<sup>6</sup>

**Driver's and front-passenger seat:** the system automatically switches down from level **3** to level **2** after approximately eight minutes.

<sup>6</sup> Canada only.

Rear seat: the system automatically switches down from level 3 to level 2 after approximately five minutes.

The system automatically switches down from level 2 to level 1 after approximately ten minutes.

The system automatically switches off approximately 20 minutes after it is set to level 1.

- ► Make sure that the SmartKey is in position 1 or 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► To switch on: press button (1) repeatedly until the desired heating level is set.
- ▶ To switch off: press button (1) repeatedly until all the indicator lamps go out.

# Problems with the seat heating

The seat heating has switched off prematurely or cannot be switched on. The vehicle's electrical system voltage is too low because too many electrical consumers are switched on.

▶ Switch off electrical consumers that you do not need, such as the rear window defroster or interior lighting.

# Switching the seat ventilation on/off

#### Switching on/off

The three blue indicator lamps in the buttons indicate the ventilation level you have selected.

1 If the battery voltage is too low, the seat ventilation may switch off.



- ► Make sure that the SmartKey is in position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► To switch on: press button (1) repeatedly until the desired ventilation level is set.
- 1 You can open the side windows and the sliding sunroof with the SmartKey (⊳ page 88). The seat ventilation of the driver's seat automatically switches to the highest level.
- ► To switch off: press button (1) repeatedly until all the indicator lamps go out.

#### Problems with the seat ventilation

The seat ventilation has switched off prematurely or cannot be switched on. The vehicle's electrical system voltage is too low because too many electrical consumers are switched on.

► Switch off electrical consumers which you do not need, such as the rear window defroster or interior lighting.

# Steering wheel

# Important safety notes



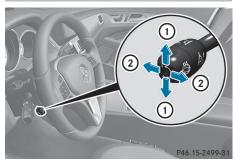
#### **↑** WARNING

Do not adjust the steering wheel while driving. Adjusting the steering wheel while driving could cause the driver to lose control of the vehicle.

The electrical steering wheel adjustment feature can be operated at any time.

Therefore, do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

# Adjusting the steering wheel electrically



- ① To adjust the steering wheel height
- ② To adjust the steering wheel position (fore-and-aft adjustment)
- 1 Related topics:
  - EASY-ENTRY/EXIT feature
     (▷ page 101)
  - Storing settings (⊳ page 105)

#### Steering wheel heating

#### Switching on/off

The steering-wheel heating heats the leather areas of the steering wheel.



- Make sure that the SmartKey is in position2 in the ignition lock.
- ➤ To switch on/off: turn the lever in the direction of arrow ① or ②.

  Indicator lamp ③ lights up or goes out.
- 1 The steering wheel heating may switch off temporarily if:
  - the temperature of the vehicle interior is above 86 °F (30 °C)
  - the temperature of the steering wheel is above 95 °F (35 °C)

Indicator lamp ③ remains on.

# Problems with the steering wheel heating

The steering wheel heating has switched off prematurely or cannot be switched on. The vehicle's electrical system voltage is too low because too many electrical consumers are switched on.

 Switch off electrical consumers that you do not need, such as the rear window defroster or interior lighting.

#### **EASY-ENTRY/EXIT feature**

### Important safety notes

The EASY-ENTRY/EXIT feature makes getting in and out of your vehicle easier.

You can activate and deactivate the EASY-ENTRY/EXIT feature in the on-board computer (▷ page 215).

# **↑** WARNING

You must make sure no one can become trapped or injured by the moving steering wheel when the easy-entry/exit feature is activated.

To stop steering wheel movement, move steering wheel adjustment stalk or press the memory position switch.

Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle.

Children could open the driver's door and unintentionally activate the easy-entry/exit feature, which could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

# **↑** WARNING

Let the system complete the adjustment procedure before setting the vehicle in motion. All steering wheel adjustment must be completed before setting the vehicle in motion. Driving off with the steering wheel still adjusting could cause the driver to lose control of the vehicle.

# Position of the steering wheel when the EASY-ENTRY/EXIT feature is active

The steering wheel swings upwards when you:

- remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock
- open the driver's door and KEYLESS-GO is in position 1
- open the driver's door and the SmartKey is in position 0 or 1 in the ignition lock
- 1 The steering wheel only moves upwards if it has not already reached the upper end stop.

# Position of the steering wheel for driving

The steering wheel is moved to the last selected position when:

- the driver's door is closed.
- you insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock.

or

• you press the Start/Stop button once on vehicles with KEYLESS-GO.

When you close the driver's door with the ignition switched on, the steering wheel is also automatically moved to the previously set position.

The last position of the steering wheel is stored after each manual setting or when you store the setting with the memory function (⊳ page 105).

# Crash-responsive EASY-EXIT feature

If the crash-responsive EASY-EXIT feature is triggered in an accident, the steering column will move upwards when the driver's door is opened. This occurs irrespective of the position of the SmartKey in the ignition lock. This makes it easier to exit the vehicle and rescue the occupants.

The crash-responsive EASY-EXIT feature is only operational after an accident if the EASY-EXIT/ENTRY feature is activated in the onboard computer.

# **Mirrors**

#### **Exterior mirrors**

#### Adjusting the exterior mirrors



# **↑** WARNING

Exercise care when using the passenger-side exterior rear view mirror. The mirror surface is convex (outwardly curved surface for a wider field of view). Objects in mirror are closer than they appear. Check your interior rear view mirror and glance over your shoulder before changing lanes.

The exterior mirrors are automatically heated if the rear window defroster is switched on and the outside temperature is low.



- ▶ Make sure that the SmartKey is in position 1 or 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Press button ① for the left-hand exterior mirror or button ② for the right-hand exterior mirror.

The indicator lamp in the corresponding button lights up in red.

- The indicator lamp goes out again after some time. You can adjust the selected mirror using adjustment button ③ as long as the indicator lamp is lit.
- ▶ Press adjustment button ③ up, down, or to the left or right until you have adjusted the exterior mirror to the correct position. You should have a good overview of traffic conditions.

# Folding the exterior mirrors in or out electrically

This function is only available in vehicles for Canada.



- Make sure that the SmartKey is in position1 or 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Briefly press button ①.
  Both exterior mirrors fold in or out.
- 1 Make sure that the exterior mirrors are always folded out fully while driving. They could otherwise vibrate.

# Setting the exterior mirrors

This function is only available in vehicles for Canada.

If the battery has been disconnected or completely discharged, the exterior mirrors must be reset. The exterior mirrors will otherwise not fold in when you select the "Fold in mirrors when locking" function in the on-board computer (> page 216).

- ► Make sure that the SmartKey is in position 1 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Briefly press button (1).

# Folding the exterior mirrors in or out automatically

This function is only available in vehicles for Canada.

If the "Fold in mirrors when locking" function is activated in the on-board computer (> page 216):

- the exterior mirrors fold in automatically as soon as you lock the vehicle from the outside.
- the exterior mirrors fold out again automatically as soon as you unlock the vehicle and then open the driver's or frontpassenger door.
- 1 If the exterior mirrors have been folded in manually, they do not fold out.

#### Exterior mirror out of position

If an exterior mirror has been pushed out of position, proceed as follows:

- ► Vehicles without electrically folding exterior mirrors: move the exterior mirror into the correct position manually.
- ► Vehicles with electronically folding mirrors<sup>7</sup>: press the mirror-folding button

(⊳ page 103) repeatedly until you hear the mirror engage in position.

The mirror housing is engaged again and you can adjust the exterior mirrors as usual (> page 102).

# Automatic anti-glare mirrors

# **MARNING**

If incident light from headlamps is prevented from striking the sensor in the rear-view mirror, for instance, by luggage piled too high in the vehicle, the mirror's automatic antiglare function will not operate.

Incident light could then blind you. This may distract you from the traffic conditions and, as a result, you may cause an accident.

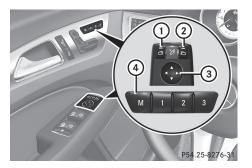
The rear-view mirror and the exterior mirror on the driver's side automatically go into antiglare mode if the ignition is switched on and incident light from headlamps strikes the sensor in the rear-view mirror.

The mirrors do not go into anti-glare mode if reverse gear is engaged or the interior lighting is switched on.

# Parking position for the exterior mirror on the front-passenger side

#### Setting and storing the parking position

You can position the front-passenger side exterior mirror in such a way that you can see the rear wheel on that side as soon as you engage reverse gear. You can store this position.



- Make sure that the vehicle is stationary and that the SmartKey is in position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Press button ② for the exterior mirror on the front-passenger side.
- ► Engage reverse gear.

  The exterior mirror on the front-passenger side moves to the preset parking position.
- ► Use adjustment button ③ to adjust the exterior mirror. You should see the rear wheel and the curb in the exterior mirror. The parking position is stored.
- If you shift the transmission to another position, the exterior mirror on the frontpassenger side returns to the driving position.
- 1 You can also store the parking position using memory button **M** (4).
  - ▶ With the SmartKey in position 2 in the ignition lock and with the exterior mirror on the front-passenger side activated, use adjustment button ③ to adjust the exterior mirror. You should see the rear wheel and the curb in the exterior mirror on the front-passenger side.
  - ▶ Press memory button M ④ and one of the arrows on adjustment button ③ within three seconds. The parking position is stored if the exterior mirror does not move.

If the mirror moves out of position, repeat the steps.

# Calling up a stored parking position setting

With the SmartKey in position 2 in the ignition lock and the exterior mirror on the front-passenger side activated, engage reverse gear.

The exterior mirror on the front-passenger side moves to the stored parking position.

The exterior mirror on the front-passenger side moves back to its original position:

- as soon as you exceed a speed of 6 mph (10 km/h)
- about ten seconds after you have disengaged reverse gear
- if you press button ① for the exterior mirror on the driver's side

# **Memory function**

# Storing settings

With the memory function, you can store up to three different settings, e.g. for three different people.

The following settings are stored as a single memory preset:

- position of the seat, backrest and head restraint
- active multicontour seat: seat cushion length, lateral cushions of the seat backrest, contour of the backrest, dynamic function level
- driver's side: steering wheel position
- driver's side: position of the exterior mirrors on the driver's and front-passenger sides

#### **↑** WARNING

The memory function can still be used when the key has been removed. For this reason, children should never be left unsupervised in the vehicle. They could otherwise become trapped when adjusting the seat or the steering wheel.

# **↑** WARNING

Only use the memory function on the driver's side when the vehicle is stationary. You could otherwise be distracted from the traffic conditions by the steering wheel and seat moving of their own accord, and as a result cause an accident.



- ► Adjust the seat (> page 96).
- On the driver's side, adjust the steering wheel (▷ page 101) and the exterior mirrors (▷ page 102).
- ▶ Press memory button M and one of the storage position buttons 1, 2 or 3 within three seconds.

The settings are stored in the selected preset position. A tone sounds when the settings have been completed.

# Calling up a stored setting

- ▶ Press and hold the relevant storage position button 1, 2 or 3, until the seat, steering wheel and exterior mirrors are in the stored position.
- 1 The setting procedure is interrupted as soon as you release the storage position button.

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## **Exterior lighting**

### Important safety notes

For reasons of safety, Mercedes-Benz recommends that you drive with the lights switched on even during the daytime. In some countries, operation of the headlamps varies due to legal requirements and self-imposed obligations.

## Information about driving abroad

To convert to symmetrical low beam when driving abroad: switch the headlamps to symmetrical low beam in countries in which traffic drives on the opposite side of the road from the country where the vehicle is registered. This prevents glare to oncoming traffic. Symmetrical lights do not illuminate as large an area of the edge of the road. Have the headlamps converted at a qualified specialist workshop as close to the border as possible before driving in these countries.

To convert to asymmetrical low beam after returning: have the headlamps converted back to asymmetrical low beam at a qualified specialist workshop as soon as possible after crossing the border and returning to the original country.

## Light switch

## Operation

Depending on the date of manufacture of your vehicle, the **A** or **AUTO** symbol for the automatic headlamp mode/daytime running lamps is located on the light switch.



Illustration: light switch with the AUTO symbol for the automatic headlamp mode/daytime running lamps

1 ←P ≤ Left-hand standing lamps

2 P≤→ Right-hand standing lamps

Parking lamps, license plate and instrument cluster lighting

4 Automatic headlamp mode/daytime running lamps

5 D Low-beam/high-beam headlamps



Illustration: light switch with the A symbol for the automatic headlamp mode/daytime running lamps

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The turn signals, high-beam headlamps and the high-beam flasher are operated using the combination switch (⊳ page 110).

Switch off the parking lamps and standing lamps when you leave the vehicle. This prevents the battery from discharging.

The exterior lighting (except the parking/ standing lamps) switches off automatically if you:

- remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock
- open the driver's door with the SmartKey in position 0

If you hear a warning tone when you leave the vehicle, the lights may still be switched on.

► Turn the light switch to 🛕 or 🗚.

# Low-beam headlamps

- ► To switch on the low-beam headlamps: turn the SmartKey in the ignition lock to position 2 or start the engine.
- ► Turn the light switch to ☑.

  The ☑ indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

## Daytime running lamps

### Daytime running lamps in Canada

The daytime running lamps function is required by law in Canada. It cannot therefore be deactivated.

► Turn the light switch to A or AUTO.

With the engine running: depending on the ambient light, the daytime running lamps or the low-beam headlamps are switched on.

When the low-beam headlamps are switched on, the D indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

When the engine is running and the vehicle is stationary: if you move the selector lever from a drive position to **P**, the daytime running lamps/low-beam headlamps go out after three minutes.

When the engine is running, the vehicle is stationary and in high ambient light brightness: if you turn the light switch to [50%], the daytime running lamps and the parking lamps are switched on.

If the engine is running and you turn the light switch to , the manual settings take precedence over the daytime running lamps.

### Daytime running lamps in the USA

In the USA, the daytime running lamps are deactivated upon delivery from the factory.

- ➤ To activate the daytime running lamps: activate the daytime running lamps function in the on-board computer (> page 213).
- ► Turn the light switch to A or AUTO.

  With the engine running: depending on the ambient light, the daytime running lamps or the low-beam headlamps are switched on.

  When the low-beam headlamps are switched on, the D indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

If the engine is running and you turn the light switch to  $\bigcirc$  or  $\bigcirc$ , the manual settings take precedence over the daytime running lamps.

### Automatic headlamp mode

► To switch on automatic headlamp mode: turn the light switch to A or AUTO.

SmartKey in position 1 in the ignition lock: the parking lamps are switched on or off automatically depending on the brightness of the ambient light.

With the engine running: depending on the brightness of the ambient light, the daytime

running lamps<sup>8</sup> or the low-beam headlamps are switched on or off automatically.

When the low-beam headlamps are switched on, the indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

# **↑** WARNING

If the light switch is set to A or AUTO, the low-beam headlamps will not come on automatically if it is foggy. This could endanger you and others. Therefore, turn the light switch to D in fog.

The automatic headlamp feature is only an aid. The driver is responsible for the vehicle's lighting at all times.

# Rear fog lamp

- ► To switch on the rear fog lamp: turn the SmartKey in the ignition lock to position 2 or start the engine.
- ► Press the ① ⇒ button.

  The yellow ② ⇒ indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

The yellow of indicator lamp in the instrument cluster goes out.

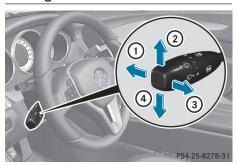
1 If you switch the engine off (SmartKey in position 1 in the ignition lock) and then restart it, the previous rear fog lamp settings are restored.

# Headlamp cleaning system

If the "Wipe with washer fluid" function is operated five times (▷ page 116) while the lights are on and the engine is running, the headlamps are cleaned automatically. When you switch off the ignition, the automatic headlamp cleaning system is reset and counting is resumed from 0.

### **Combination switch**

### Turn signals



- 1 High-beam headlamps
- 2 Right turn signal
- ③ High-beam flasher
- 4 Left turn signal
- ► To indicate briefly: press the combination switch briefly to the pressure point in the direction of arrow (2) or (4).

The corresponding turn signal flashes three times.

▶ To indicate: press the combination switch beyond the pressure point in the direction of arrow ② or ④.

# High-beam headlamps

- ► To switch on the high-beam headlamps: turn the SmartKey in the ignition lock to position 2 or start the engine.
- ► Turn the light switch to ☑ or 🛕 or 🗚 or 🗚
- Press the combination switch beyond the pressure point in the direction of arrow 1.

In the A or AUTO position, the highbeam headlamps are only switched on when it is dark and the engine is running.

<sup>8</sup> Only if daytime running lamps have been activated via the on-board computer.

The <code>ID</code> indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up when the high-beam headlamps are switched on.

► To switch off the high-beam headlamps: move the combination switch back to its normal position.

The indicator lamp in the instrument cluster goes out.

# High-beam flasher

- ➤ To switch on: turn the SmartKey in the ignition lock to position 1 or 2 or start the engine.
- ▶ Pull the combination switch in the direction of arrow (3).

# Hazard warning lamps



The hazard warning lamps automatically switch on if:

- · an air bag is deployed.
- the vehicle is slowed down rapidly from a speed of over 45 mph (70 km/h) and comes to a halt.
- ► To switch on the hazard warning lamps: press button ①.

All turn signals flash. If you now switch on a turn signal using the combination switch, only the turn signal lamp on the corresponding side of the vehicle will flash.

► To switch off the hazard warning lamps: press button ①.

If the vehicle returns to a speed of over 6 mph (10 km/h) after a full application of the brakes, the hazard warning lamps are deactivated automatically.

1 The hazard warning lamps still operate if the ignition is switched off.

# **Cornering light function**



The cornering light function improves the illumination of the road over a wide angle in the direction you are turning, enabling better visibility in tight bends, for example. The cornering light function can only be activated when the low-beam headlamps are switched on.

### Active:

- if you are driving at speeds below 25 mph (40 km/h) and switch on the turn signals or turn the steering wheel
- if you are driving at speeds between 25 mph (40 km/h) and 45 mph (70 km/h) and turn the steering wheel

**Not active:** if you are driving at speeds above 25 mph (40 km/h) or switch off the turn signals or turn the steering wheel to the straight-ahead position.

The cornering light function may remain lit for a short time, but is automatically switched off after no more than three minutes.

### **Adaptive Highbeam Assist**

You can use this function to set the headlamps to change between low beam and high beam automatically. The system recognizes vehicles with their lights on, either approaching from the opposite direction or traveling in front of your vehicle, and consequently switches the headlamps from high beam to low beam.

The system automatically adapts the lowbeam headlamp range depending on the distance to the other vehicle. Once the system no longer detects any other vehicles, it reactivates the high-beam headlamps.

The system's optical sensor is located behind the windshield near the overhead control panel.





- ► To activate: activate the Adaptive Highbeam Assist function using the onboard computer (> page 213).
- ► Turn the light switch to A or AUTO.
- Press the combination switch beyond the pressure point in the direction of arrow ① (▷ page 110).

If it is dark and the light sensor activates the low-beam headlamps, the

indicator lamp in the instrument cluster lights up.

If you drive at speeds above approximately 28 mph (45 km/h):

the headlamp range is set automatically depending on the distance between the vehicle and other road users.

If you are driving at speeds above approximately 35 mph (55 km/h) and no other road users have been detected:

the high-beam headlamps are switched on automatically. The D indicator lamp in the instrument cluster also lights up.

If you drive at speeds below approximately 30 mph (45 km/h) or if other road users are identified or if the roads are sufficiently illuminated:

the high-beam headlamps are switched off automatically. The <code>ID</code> indicator lamp in the instrument cluster goes out. The <code>ID</code> indicator lamp in the instrument cluster stays on.

► To deactivate: move the combination switch back to its normal position.

The indicator lamp in the instrument cluster goes out.

# **MARNING**

The Adaptive Highbeam Assist is only an aid intended to support you while driving. The driver is and remains responsible for proper vehicle lighting in accordance with the prevailing light, sight and traffic conditions. The system may be impaired or unavailable

The system may be impaired or unavailable when

- visibility is poor, e.g. due to snow, rain, fog, or heavy spray
- the optical sensor area of the windshield is dirty, fogged up, or covered by a sticker for example

The system cannot recognize the following road users:

- Road users without a lighting system of their own, e.g. pedestrians
- Road users with dim lighting of their own,
   e.g. cyclists
- Road users whose lighting is obstructed,
   e.g. road users behind a guardrail
- In some seldom cases, even road users with a lighting system of their own may be recognized too late or not at all.

The automatic high-beam headlamps will then not be deactivated or it will be activated in spite of preceding or oncoming road users.

This could endanger you and/or others and cause an accident. Always pay close attention to the traffic situation and switch off the high beam manually if necessary.

# Headlamps fogged up on the inside

The headlamps may fog up on the inside if there is high atmospheric humidity.

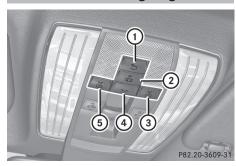
▶ Drive with the headlamps switched on. The level of moisture diminishes, depending on the length of the journey and the weather conditions (humidity and temperature).

If the level of moisture does not diminish:

► Have the headlamps checked at a qualified specialist workshop.

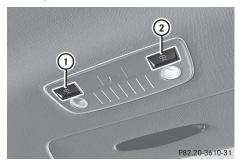
# Interior lighting

# Overview of interior lighting



Front overhead control panel

- ① Switches the rear interior lighting on/off
- ② Switches the automatic interior lighting control on/off
- ③ Switches the right-hand front reading lamp on/off
- Switches the front interior lighting on/off
- Switches the left-hand front reading lamp on/off



Rear-compartment overhead control panel

- ① Xwitches the right-hand reading lamp on/off
- ② Switches the left-hand reading lamp on/off

### Interior lighting control

### Important notes

In order to prevent the vehicle's battery from discharging, the interior lighting functions are automatically deactivated after some time except for when the SmartKey is in position 2 in the ignition lock.

The color and brightness of the ambient lighting may be set using the on-board computer (⊳ page 213).

# **Automatic interior lighting control**

▶ To switch on/off: press the 📺 button. When the automatic interior lighting control is activated, the button is flush with the overhead control panel.

The interior lighting automatically switches on if you:

- · unlock the vehicle
- open a door
- remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock

The interior light is activated for a short while when the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock. You can activate this delayed switch-off using the on-board computer (⊳ page 214).

### Manual interior lighting control

- ▶ To switch the front interior lighting on/ off: press the 🔀 button.
- ▶ To switch the rear interior lighting on/ off: press the 🛅 button.
- ► To switch the reading lamps on/off: press the 🖀 button.

### Crash-responsive emergency lighting

The interior lighting is activated automatically if the vehicle is involved in an accident.

▶ To switch off the crash-responsive emergency lighting: press the hazard warning lamp button.

► Lock and then unlock the vehicle using the SmartKey.

### Replacing bulbs

### Important safety notes

### Xenon bulbs



# **⚠** DANGER

Xenon bulbs carry a high voltage. You could get an electric shock and be seriously or even fatally injured if you touch the electric contacts on Xenon bulbs. Therefore, never remove the cover from Xenon bulbs.

Do not change the Xenon bulbs yourself, but have them replaced at a qualified workshop.

Bulbs and lamps are an important aspect of vehicle safety. You must therefore make sure that these function correctly at all times. Have the headlamp setting checked regularly.

## **LED lamps**

You can neither replace Xenon bulbs nor LED bulbs. Have LED bulbs changed at a qualified specialist workshop.

Bulbs and lamps are an important aspect of vehicle safety. You must therefore make sure that these function correctly at all times. Have the headlamp setting checked regularly.

### Other bulbs



### **↑** WARNING

Bulbs and lamps can become very hot. For this reason, allow them to cool down before changing them. Otherwise, you could burn yourself when you touch them.

Keep bulbs out of the reach of children. Otherwise, they could, for example, damage the bulbs and injure themselves.

Never use a bulb which has been dropped. Such a bulb may explode and injure you.

Halogen bulbs are pressurized and could explode when you change them, especially if they are very hot. You should therefore wear eye protection and gloves when you are changing them.

There are bulbs other than Xenon and LED bulbs that you cannot replace. Replace only the bulbs listed (> page 115). Have the bulbs that you cannot replace yourself changed at a qualified specialist workshop.

If you require assistance changing bulbs, consult a qualified specialist workshop.

Do not touch the glass tube of new bulbs with your bare hands. Even minor contamination can burn into the glass surface and reduce the service life of the bulbs. Always use a lint-free cloth or only touch the base of the bulb when installing.

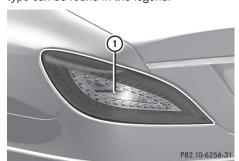
Only use bulbs of the correct type.

If the new bulb still does not light up, consult a qualified specialist workshop.

Bulbs and lamps are an important aspect of vehicle safety. You must therefore make sure that these function correctly at all times. Have the headlamp setting checked regularly.

# Overview: changing bulbs/bulb types

You can change the following bulbs. The bulb type can be found in the legend.

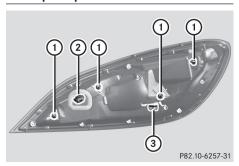


Tail lamp

① Backup lamp: W 16 W

### Changing the rear bulbs

### Backup lamp



Lamp cluster

- ► Switch off the lights.
- ▶ Open the trunk.
- Reach up into the side paneling and pull downwards until the lamp cluster is easily accessible.
- Press the detent of connector ② and pull out connector ②.
- ► Loosen and remove the four nuts ① with a suitable tool.
- ► Remove the entire lamp cluster.
- Turn bulb holder 3 counter-clockwise and pull it out.
- ▶ Pull out the bulb.
- ▶ Insert the new bulb into bulb holder ③.
- ► Insert bulb holder ③ into the lamp and turn it clockwise.
- ► Re-insert the lamp cluster.
- ► Tighten the four nuts (1).
- ▶ Push in connector (2) until it engages.
- ▶ Insert the side paneling.

### Windshield wipers

# Switching the windshield wipers on/

# **⚠ WARNING**

Wiper blades are components that are subject to wear and tear. Replace the wiper blades twice a year, preferably in the spring and fall. Otherwise the windshield will not be wiped properly. As a result, you may not be able to observe surrounding traffic conditions and could cause an accident.

- Do not operate the windshield wipers when the windshield is dry, as this could damage the wiper blades. Moreover, dirt that has collected on the windshield can scratch the glass if wiping takes place when the windshield is dry.
- If the windshield wipers leave smears on the windshield after the vehicle has been washed in an automatic car wash, wax or other residues may be the reason for this. Clean the windshield using washer fluid after washing the vehicle in an automatic car wash.



### Combination switch

- Windshield wipers off
- 2 ••• Intermittent wipe, low<sup>9</sup>
- 3 Intermittent wipe, high 10
- Continuous wipe, slow

- 5 Continuous wipe, fast
- ⑥ Single wipe/ ⑥ To wipe the windshield using washer fluid
- ▶ Switch on the ignition.
- ▶ Turn the combination switch to the corresponding position.
- Intermittent wiping with rain sensor: due to optical influences and the windshield becoming dirty in dry weather conditions, the windshield wipers may be activated inadvertently. This could then damage the windshield wiper blades or scratch the windshield.

For this reason, you should always switch off the windshield wipers in dry weather.

In the ••• or ••• position, the appropriate wiping frequency is set automatically according to the intensity of the rain. In the **••••** position, the rain sensor is more sensitive than in the ••• position, causing the windshield wipers to wipe more frequently.

## Replacing the wiper blades

### Important safety notes



## **↑** WARNING

For safety reasons, switch off the windshield wipers and remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock before changing the wiper blades (vehicles with KEYLESS-GO: make sure that the on-board electronics are in state 0). Otherwise, the wiper motor could be switched on suddenly and cause injury.

Never open the hood if a windshield wiper arm has been folded away from the windshield.

Never fold a windshield wiper arm without a wiper blade back onto the windshield.

<sup>9</sup> Rain sensor set to low sensitivity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Rain sensor set to high sensitivity.

Hold the windshield wiper arm firmly when you change the wiper blade. If you release the windshield wiper arm without a wiper blade and it falls onto the windshield, the windshield may be damaged by the force of the impact.

Mercedes-Benz recommends that you have the wiper blades replaced by a qualified specialist workshop, e.g. at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

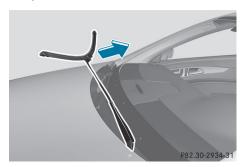
■ To avoid damaging the wiper blades, make sure that you touch only the wiper arm of the wiper.

Depending on the equipment level of your vehicle, there are two variants of wiper blade; these are installed and removed in different ways. Based on the diagrams, check which system is installed.

### Replacing the wiper blades option 1

### Removing the wiper blades

- ► Remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock or turn it to position **0** (KEYLESS-GO).
- ► Fold the wiper arm away from the windshield until it engages.
- ► Set the wiper blade at right angles to the wiper arm.



► Remove the wiper blade from the retaining pin on the wiper arm in the direction of the arrow.

### Installing the wiper blades

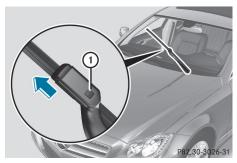
- ► Push the new wiper blade onto the retaining pin on the wiper arm in the opposite direction to the arrow.

  Make sure that the wiper blade slides fully onto the retaining pin on the wiper arm.
- ► Turn the wiper blade parallel to the wiper arm.
- ► Fold the wiper arm back onto the windshield.

# Replacing the wiper blades option 2

### Removing the wiper blades

- ► Remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.
- ► Fold the wiper arm away from the windshield.



► Firmly press release knob ① and pull the wiper blade upwards from the wiper arm in the direction of the arrow.

### Installing the wiper blades

- Position the new wiper blade in the retainer on the wiper arm and slide it into place in the opposite direction to the arrow. The wiper blade audibly engages.
- ► Make sure that wiper blade is seated correctly.
- ► Fold the wiper arm back onto the windshield.

## Problems with the windshield wipers

## The windshield wipers are obstructed

Leaves or snow, for example, may be obstructing the windshield wiper movement. The wiper motor has been deactivated.

► For safety reasons, you should remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.

or

- ➤ Switch off the engine using the Start/Stop button and open the driver's door.
- ▶ Remove the cause of the obstruction.
- ► Switch the windshield wipers back on.

# The windshield wipers are inoperative

The windshield wiper drive is malfunctioning.

- ► Select another wiper speed on the combination switch.
- ► Have the windshield wipers checked at a qualified specialist workshop.

# The spray nozzles are misaligned

The windshield washer fluid from the spray nozzles no longer hits the center of the windshield. The spray nozzles are misaligned.

► Have the spray nozzles adjusted at a qualified specialist workshop.

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## **Useful information**

- 1 This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).
- 1 Ventilate the vehicle for a brief period during warm weather, e.g. using the convenience opening feature (⊳ page 88). This will speed up the cooling process and the desired vehicle interior temperature will be reached more quickly.
- 1 The integrated filter can filter out most particles of dust and completely filters out pollen. A clogged filter reduces the amount of air supplied to the vehicle interior. For this reason, you should always observe the interval for replacing the filter, which is specified in the Maintenance Booklet. As it depends on environmental conditions, e.g. heavy air pollution, the interval may be shorter than stated in the Maintenance Booklet.

## Overview of climate control systems

### Important safety notes



# / WARNING

Severe conditions (e.g. strong air pollution) may require replacement of the filter before its scheduled replacement interval. A clogged filter will reduce the air volume to the interior and the windows could fog up, impairing visibility and endangering you and others. Have a blocked filter replaced at a Mercedes-Benz Center as soon as possible.

## / WARNING

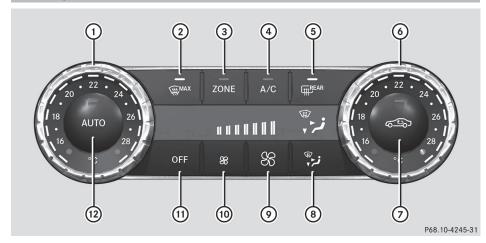
Follow the recommended settings for heating and cooling given on the following pages. Otherwise, the windows could fog up, impairing visibility and endangering you and others.

The automatic climate control/automatic climate control controls the temperature and the humidity of the vehicle interior and filters out undesirable substances from the air.

The automatic climate control is only operational when the engine is running. 11 Optimum operation is only achieved if you drive with the side windows and sliding sunroof/panorama roof with power tilt/ sliding panel closed.

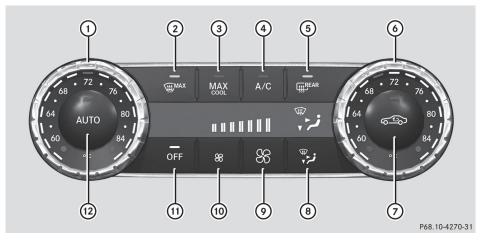
<sup>11</sup> The residual heat function can only be activated/deactivated when the ignition is switched off.

# Control panel for dual-zone climate control



# Canada only

- ① To set the temperature, left (▷ page 125)
- ② To defrost the windshield (▷ page 127)
- ③ To switch the ZONE function on/off (▷ page 127)
- ④ To activate/deactivate cooling with air dehumidification (> page 124)
- (5) To switch the rear window defroster on/off (> page 128)
- ⑥ To set the temperature, right (> page 125)
- ⑦ To activate/deactivate air-recirculation mode (> page 128)
- (a) To set the air distribution (▷ page 126)
- To increase the airflow (▷ page 126)
- To reduce the airflow (▷ page 126)
- (1) To switch climate control on/off (> page 124)
- ② To set climate control to automatic (> page 125)



### USA only

- ① To set the temperature, left (> page 125)
- ② To defrost the windshield (▷ page 127)
- ③ To switch maximum cooling MAX COOL on/off (> page 127)
- ④ To activate/deactivate cooling with air dehumidification (> page 124)
- ⑤ To switch the rear window defroster on/off (> page 128)
- ⑥ To set the temperature, right (> page 125)
- ⑦ To activate/deactivate air-recirculation mode (▷ page 128)
- (a) To set the air distribution (▷ page 126)
- To increase the airflow (▷ page 126)
- To reduce the airflow (> page 126)
- ① To switch climate control on/off (> page 124)
- ② To set climate control to automatic (> page 125)

# Notes on using automatic climate control

The following contains notes and recommendations on optimum use of automatic climate control.

- Activate climate control using the Auto and A/C buttons. The indicator lamps in the AUTO and A/C buttons light up.
- Set the temperature to 72 °F (22 °C).
- Only use the "defrosting" function briefly until the windshield is clear again.
- Only use "air-recirculation" mode briefly, e.g. if there are unpleasant outside odors

or when in a tunnel. The windows could otherwise fog up as in air-recirculation mode no fresh air is drawn into the vehicle.

• Use the ZONE function to adopt the temperature settings on the driver's side for the front-passenger side as well. The indicator lamp in the ZONE button goes out.

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# Control panel for 3-zone automatic climate control



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# Canada only

### Front control panel

- ① Sets the temperature, left (> page 125)
- ② Defrosts the windshield (⊳ page 127)
- ③ Activates/deactivates the residual heat function (⊳ page 129)
- ④ Activates/deactivates cooling with air dehumidification (▷ page 124)
- ⑤ Switches the rear window defroster on/off (> page 128)
- 6 Sets the temperature, right (> page 125)
- (7) Switches the ZONE function on/off (▷ page 127)
- (8) Switches climate control on/off (> page 124)
- Sets the air distribution (▷ page 126)
- (ii) Increases the airflow (▷ page 126)
- 1) Reduces the airflow (> page 126)
- ② Adjusts the climate control settings (AIR FLOW) (> page 125)
- (3) Activates/deactivates air-recirculation mode (▷ page 128)
- (4) Sets climate control to automatic (> page 125)

### Rear control panel

- (5) Increases the airflow (▷ page 126)
- (6) Reduces the airflow (⊳ page 126)
- (7) Display
- (B) Reduces the temperature (> page 125)
- ⑤ Increases the temperature (▷ page 125)

# Notes on using 2-zone automatic climate control

The following contains instructions and recommendations to enable you to get the most out of your automatic climate control.

- Activate climate control using the AUTO and A/c buttons. The indicator lamps in the **AUTO** and **A/c** buttons light up.
- In automatic mode, you can also use the AIR button to set a climate mode (FOCUS/MEDIUM/DIFFUSE). The MEDIUM level is recommended.
- Set the temperature to 72 °F (22 °C).
- Only use the "defrosting" function briefly until the windshield is clear again.
- Only use "air-recirculation" mode briefly, e.g. if there are unpleasant outside odors or when in a tunnel. The windows could otherwise fog up as in air-recirculation mode no fresh air is drawn into the vehicle.
- Use the ZONE function to adopt the temperature settings on the driver's side for the front-passenger side and the rear compartment as well. The indicator lamp in the ZONE button goes out.
- Use the residual heat function if you want to heat or ventilate the vehicle interior when the ignition is switched off. The "residual heat" function can only be activated or deactivated with the ignition switched off.

# Operating the climate control systems

## Activating/deactivating climate control

# Important information

# **⚠ WARNING**

When the climate control system is deactivated, the outside air supply and circulation are also deactivated. Only choose this setting for a short time. Otherwise the

windows could fog up, impairing visibility and endangering you and others.

Switch on climate control primarily using the **AUTO** button (⊳ page 125).

# Activating/deactivating

- ▶ Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ To switch on: press the AUTO button. The indicator lamp in the **AUTO** button lights up. Airflow and air distribution are set to automatic mode.

- ▶ Press button OFF. The indicator lamp in the OFF button goes out. The previously selected settings come into effect again.
- ▶ To switch off: press the OFF button. The indicator lamp in the **OFF** button lights up.

# Activating/deactivating cooling with air dehumidification

# Important information

The cooling with air dehumidification function is only available when the engine is running. The air inside the vehicle is cooled and dehumidified according to the temperature selected.



### **↑** WARNING

If you switch off the cooling function, the vehicle will not be cooled when weather conditions are warm. The windows can fog up more quickly. Window fogging may impair visibility and endanger you and others.

Condensation may drip from the underside of the vehicle when it is in cooling mode. This is normal and not a sign that there is a malfunction.

1 The cooling with air dehumidification function uses refrigerant R134a. This coolant does not contain chlorofluorocarbons, and therefore does not damage the ozone layer.

# Activating/deactivating

- ► To activate: press the A/C button.

  The indicator lamp in the A/C button lights up.
- ► To switch off: press the A/C button.

  The indicator lamp in the A/C button goes out. The cooling with air dehumidification function has a delayed switch-off feature.

# Problems with the cooling with air dehumidification function

When you press the A/C button, the indicator lamp in the button flashes three times or remains off. You can no longer switch on the cooling with air dehumidification function.

► Consult a qualified specialist workshop.

# Setting climate control to automatic



If you switch off the cooling function, the vehicle will not be cooled when weather conditions are warm. The windows can fog up more quickly. Window fogging may impair visibility and endanger you and others.

In automatic mode, the set temperature is maintained automatically at a constant level. The system automatically regulates the temperature of the dispensed air, the airflow and the air distribution.

Automatic mode will achieve optimal operation if cooling with air dehumidification is also activated. If desired, cooling with air dehumidification can be deactivated.

# Adjusting the climate mode settings (AIR FLOW)

This function is only available with automatic climate control.

The climate control settings are especially effective at high temperatures.

You can select the following climate control settings in automatic mode:

FOCUS high airflow that is set slightly cooler

MEDIUM medium airflow, standard setting
DIFFUSE low airflow that is set slightly
warmer and with a lower rate of
airflow

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press the **AUTO** button.
- Press the AIR button repeatedly until the desired climate mode appears in the display.

### Setting the temperature

### Climate control

Different temperatures can be set for the driver's and front-passenger sides.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► To increase/reduce: turn controls ① and ⑥ clockwise or counter-clockwise (▷ page 121).

Only change the temperature setting in small increments. Start at 72 °F (22 °C).

### 3-zone automatic climate control



Automatic climate control zones

You can select different temperature settings for the driver's and front-passenger sides as well as for the rear compartment.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► To increase/reduce the temperature in the front: turn controls ① and ⑥ clockwise or counter-clockwise (▷ page 123).
  Only change the temperature setting in small increments. Start at 72 °F (22 °C).
- ► To increase/reduce the temperature in the rear compartment using the front control panel: press the ZONE button.

  The indicator lamp in the ZONE button goes out.
- ► Turn control ① clockwise or counterclockwise (▷ page 123). Only change the temperature setting in small increments. Start at 72 °F (22 °C). The temperature setting for the driver's side is adopted for the rear compartment and the front-passenger side.

1 If you leave the vehicle parked for longer than 30 minutes, the temperature setting for the rear compartment then switches back to 72 °F (22 °C).

### Setting the air distribution

- Directs the airflow through the center and side air vents
- Directs the airflow through the footwell air vents
- Directs the airflow through the center and side air vents as well as the footwell air vents
- Directs the airflow through the defroster vents
- Directs the airflow through the defroster, center and side air vents. 12
- Directs the airflow through the footwell and defroster vents
- Directs the airflow through the defroster, center and side air vents as well as the footwell air vents<sup>12</sup>
- Regardless of the air distribution setting, airflow is always directed through the side air vents. The side air vents can only be closed when the controls on the side air vents are turned downwards.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press the ⇒ button repeatedly until the desired symbol appears in the display.

### Setting the airflow

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ To increase: press the 🛞 button.
- ▶ To reduce: press the 🔞 button.

<sup>12</sup> Canada only.

1 You can use automatic climate control to set the airflow in the rear compartment separately.

## Switching the ZONE function on/off

► To switch on: press the ZONE button.

The indicator lamp in the ZONE button lights up.

Dual-zone automatic climate control: the temperature setting for the driver's side is not adopted for the front-passenger side.

3-zone automatic climate control: the temperature setting for the driver's side is not adopted for the front-passenger side and the rear compartment.

When the buttons or controls for temperature, airflow or air distribution are activated, the temperature setting for the driver's side is not adopted for the other climate control zones.

► To switch off: press the ZONE button.

The indicator lamp in the ZONE button goes out.

Dual-zone automatic climate control: the temperature setting for the driver's side is adopted for the front-passenger side.

3-zone automatic climate control: the temperature setting for the driver's side is adopted for the front-passenger side and the rear compartment.

# Defrosting the windshield

You can use this function to defrost the windshield or to defrost the inside of the windshield and the side windows.

1 You should only select the defrosting function until the windshield is clear again.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► To activate: press the www button.

  The indicator lamp in the www button lights up.

The climate control system switches to the following functions:

- cooling with air dehumidification on
- high airflow 13
- high temperature 13
- air distribution to the windshield and front side windows
- · air-recirculation mode off
- ► To switch off: press the was button.

  The indicator lamp in the was button goes out. The previously selected settings come into effect again. The cooling with air dehumidification function remains on. Airrecirculation mode remains deactivated.

or

► Press the AUTO button.

The indicator lamp in the ∰ button goes out. Airflow and air distribution are set to automatic mode.

or

► Turn controls ① or ⑥ clockwise or counter-clockwise (▷ page 121), (▷ page 123).

or

▶ Press the 🛞 or 😵 button.

# MAX COOL maximum cooling

The MAX COOL function is only available in vehicles for the USA.

MAX COOL is only operational when the engine is running.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Depending on the outside temperature.

When you activate MAX COOL, climate control switches to the following functions:

- · maximum cooling
- · maximum airflow
- air-recirculation mode on
- ► To activate: press the button. The indicator lamp in the button lights up.
- ► To deactivate: press the | ₩ button again.

The indicator lamp goes out. The previously selected settings come into effect again.

# **Defrosting the windows**

## Windows fogged up on the inside

- ► Activate the A/c cooling with air dehumidification function.
- ► Activate automatic mode **AUTO**.
- ▶ If the windows continue to fog up, activate the defrosting function (⊳ page 127).
- 1 You should only select this setting until the windshield is clear again.

### Windows fogged up on the outside

- ► Switch on the windshield wipers.
- ▶ Press the button repeatedly until the or symbol appears in the display.
- 1 You should only select this setting until the windshield is clear again.

### Rear window defroster

## Activating/deactivating



Any accumulation of snow and ice should be removed from the rear window before driving. Visibility could otherwise be impaired, endangering you and others.

The rear window defroster has a high current draw. You should therefore switch it off as soon as the window is clear. Otherwise, the rear window defroster switches off automatically after several minutes.

If the battery voltage is too low, the rear window defroster may switch off.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press the button. The indicator lamp in the WEBEAR button lights up or goes out.

### Problems with the rear window defroster

The rear window defroster has deactivated prematurely or cannot be activated.

► Switch off any consumers that are not required, e.g. reading lamps or interior

When the battery is sufficiently charged, the rear window defroster is activated again automatically.

# Activating/deactivating airrecirculation mode

You can deactivate the flow of fresh air if unpleasant odors are entering the vehicle from outside. The air already inside the vehicle will then be recirculated.

The operation of air-recirculation mode is the same for all control panels.



### ★ WARNING

Fogged windows impair visibility, endangering you and others. If the windows begin to fog on the inside, switching off the air recirculation mode immediately should clear interior window fogging. If interior window fogging persists, make sure the air conditioning is activated, or press the max button.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ To activate: press the 🔊 button.

  The indicator lamp in the 🔊 button lights up.
- in the event of high pollution levels 14 or at high outside temperatures, air-recirculation mode is automatically activated. When air-recirculation mode is activated automatically, the indicator lamp in the button is not lit.

  Outside air is added after about 30 minutes.
- ▶ To deactivate: press the 🖘 button.

  The indicator lamp in the 🖘 button goes
- i Air-recirculation mode deactivates automatically:

out.

- after approximately five minutes if outside temperatures are less than about 41 °F (5 °C)
- after approximately five minutes if cooling with air dehumidification is deactivated
- after approximately 30 minutes if outside temperatures are over about 41 °F (5 °C)

# Activating/deactivating the residual heat function

The residual heat function is only available in vehicles for Canada with automatic climate control.

It is possible to make use of the residual heat of the engine to continue heating the stationary vehicle for up to 30 minutes after the engine has been switched off. The heating time depends on the temperature that has been set.

1 The blower will run at a low speed regardless of the airflow setting.

- 1 If you activate the residual heat function at high temperatures, only the ventilation will be activated. The blower runs at medium speed.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position **0** in the ignition lock or remove it.
- ► To activate: press the REST button.

  The indicator lamp in the REST button lights up.
- ► To deactivate: press the REST button.

  The indicator lamp in the REST button goes out.
- Residual heat is deactivated automatically:
  - after about 30 minutes
  - when the ignition is switched on
  - if the battery voltage drops
  - if the coolant temperature is too low

# Setting the air vents

### Important safety notes

# **⚠** WARNING

When operating the climate control, the air that enters the passenger compartment through the air vents can be very hot or very cold (depending on the set temperature). This could cause burns or frostbite to unprotected skin in the immediate area of the air vents.

Always keep sufficient distance between unprotected parts of the body and the air vents. If necessary, use the air distribution adjustment to direct the air to air vents in the vehicle interior that are not in the immediate area of unprotected skin.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Automatic climate control only.

In order to ensure the direct flow of fresh air through the air vents into the vehicle interior, please observe the following notes:

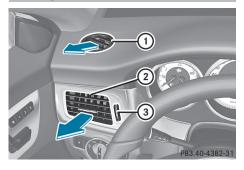
- keep the air inlet between the windshield and the hood free of blockages, such as ice, snow or leaves.
- never cover the vents or air inlet and outlet grilles in the vehicle interior
- For virtually draft-free ventilation, adjust the sliders of the air vents to the center position.

# Setting the center air vents



- (1) Center air vent, left
- (2) Center air vent, right
- (3) Center vent thumbwheel, right
- 4 Center vent thumbwheel, left
- ► To open/close: turn thumbwheels ③ and ④ up or down.

### Setting the side air vents



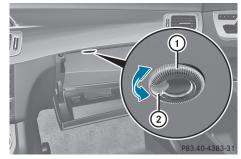
- ► To open/close: turn thumbwheel ③ up or down.
- ① Side window defroster vent ① is never completely shut, even if side air vent ② is shut.

## Setting the glove box air vent

When automatic climate control is activated, the glove box can be ventilated, for instance to cool its contents. The level of airflow depends on the airflow and air distribution settings.

I Close the air vent when heating the vehicle.

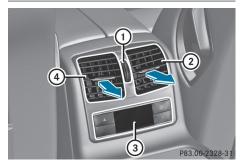
At high outside temperatures, open the air vent and activate the "cooling with air dehumidification" function. Otherwise, temperature-sensitive items stored in the glove box could be damaged.



- (1) Air vent thumbwheel
- Air vent
- ► To open/close: turn thumbwheel ① clockwise or counter-clockwise.

# Setting the rear-compartment air vents

# Setting the center vents in the rear compartment



- ① Rear-compartment air vent thumbwheel
- ② Rear-compartment air vent, right
- 3 Rear control panel, only with automatic climate control 15
- 4 Rear-compartment air vent, left
- ► To open/close: turn thumbwheel ① up or down.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Only for Canada.

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## **Useful information**

- 1 This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

# **Breaking-in notes**

### The first 1,000miles (1,500 km)

The more you look after the engine when it is new, the more satisfied you will be with its performance in the future.

- You should therefore drive at varying vehicle and engine speeds for the first 1,000miles (1,500km).
- Avoid heavy loads, e.g. driving at full throttle, during this period.
- Change gear in good time, before the tachometer needle is \(^2\sigma\) of the way to the red area of the tachometer.
- Do not manually shift to a lower gear to brake the vehicle.
- If possible, do not depress the accelerator pedal past the point of resistance (kickdown).
- Only select shift ranges 3, 2 or 1 when driving slowly, e.g. in mountainous terrain.

After 1,000 miles (1,500km), you can increase the engine speed gradually and bring the vehicle up to full speed.

Additional breaking-in notes for AMG vehicles:

- do not drive faster than 85 mph (140 km/h) for the first 1,000 miles (1,500 km).
- only allow the engine to reach a maximum engine speed of 4,500 rpm briefly.
- · change gear in good time.
- 1 You should also observe these breakingin notes if the engine or parts of the drive train on your vehicle have been replaced.
- Always observe the respective speed limits.

### AMG vehicles with rear axle locking differential

Your vehicle is equipped with a self-locking differential on the rear axle. To improve the protection of the differential on the rear axle, change the oil after a break-in distance of 2,000 miles (3,000 km). This oil change extends the service life of the differential. Have the oil change carried out at a qualified specialist workshop.

### **Driving**

### Important safety notes



# **MARNING**

Make sure absolutely no objects are obstructing the pedals' range of movement. Keep the driver's footwell clear of all obstacles. If there are any floormats or carpets in the footwell, make sure the pedals still have sufficient clearance.

During sudden driving or braking maneuvers the objects could get caught between the pedals. You could then no longer brake or accelerate. This could lead to accidents and injury.

# **↑** WARNING

On slippery road surfaces, never downshift in order to obtain braking action. This could result in drive wheel slip and reduced vehicle control. Your vehicle's ABS will not prevent this type of loss of control.

# **↑** WARNING

It is dangerous to shift the automatic transmission out of parking position **P** or neutral position **N** if the engine speed is higher than idle speed. If your foot is not firmly on the brake pedal, the vehicle could accelerate quickly forward or in reverse. You could lose control of the vehicle and hit someone or something. Only shift into gear when the engine is idling normally and when your right foot is firmly on the brake pedal.

Warm up the engine quickly. Do not use the engine's full performance until it has reached operating temperature.

Only shift the automatic transmission to the desired drive position when the vehicle is stationary.

Where possible, avoid spinning the drive wheels when pulling away on slippery roads. You could otherwise damage the drive train.

**! AMG vehicles:** at low engine oil temperatures below 68 °F (+20 °C), the maximum engine speed is restricted in order to protect the engine. To protect the engine and maintain smooth engine operation, avoid driving at full throttle when the engine is cold.

### **SmartKey positions**

### **SmartKey**



- To remove the SmartKey
   (shift the transmission to position **P**)
- 1 Power supply for some consumers, such as the windshield wipers
- 2 Ignition (power supply for all consumers) and drive position
- 3 To start the engine

If the SmartKey is in position **0** in the ignition lock for an extended period of time, it can no longer be turned in the ignition lock. The steering is then locked. To unlock, remove the SmartKey and reinsert it into the ignition lock. The steering is locked when you remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.

1 The SmartKey can be turned in the ignition lock even if it is not the correct SmartKey for the vehicle. The ignition is not switched on. The engine cannot be started.

### **KEYLESS-GO**

### **General information**

Vehicles with KEYLESS-GO are equipped with a SmartKey featuring an integrated KEYLESS-GO function and a detachable Start/Stop button.

The Start/Stop button must be inserted into the ignition lock and the SmartKey must be in the vehicle.

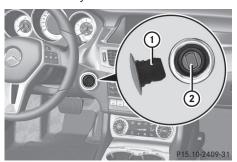
Pressing the Start/Stop button several times in succession corresponds to the different

SmartKey positions in the ignition lock. This is only the case if you are not depressing the brake pedal.

If you depress the brake pedal and press the Start/Stop button, the engine starts immediately.

The Start/Stop button can be removed from the ignition lock. Then, you can insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock.

1 You do not have to remove the Start/Stop button from the ignition lock when you leave the vehicle. However, you should always take the SmartKey with you when leaving the vehicle. The vehicle can be started with the Start/Stop button and the electrical equipment can be operated while the SmartKey is in the vehicle.



- (1) Start/Stop button
- (2) Ignition lock
- ▶ Insert Start/Stop button (1) into ignition lock (2).
- (1) When you insert Start/Stop button (1) into ignition lock (2), the system requires a detection time of approximately two seconds before you can use Start/ Stop button (1).



Start/Stop button

- ③ USA only
- (4) Canada only
- ▶ Position **0**: if Start/Stop button (1) has not yet been pressed, this corresponds to the SmartKey being removed from the ignition.
- ▶ Position 1: press Start/Stop button (1). You can now activate the windshield wipers, for example.
- 1 If you then open the driver's door when in this position, the power supply is deactivated.
- ▶ Position 2 (ignition): press Start/Stop button (1) twice.
- 1 If you press Start/Stop button (1) once when in this position and the driver's door is open, the power supply is deactivated again.

As soon as the ignition is switched on, all the indicator lamps in the instrument cluster light up. If an indicator lamp does not go out after the engine is started or if it lights up while the vehicle is in motion, see (⊳ page 249).

### Starting the engine

### Important safety notes



### **↑** WARNING

Inhalation of exhaust gas is hazardous to your health. All exhaust gas contains carbon monoxide (CO), and inhaling it can cause unconsciousness and possible death.

Do not run the engine in confined areas (such as a garage) which are not properly ventilated. If you think that exhaust gas fumes are entering the vehicle while driving, have the cause determined and corrected immediately. If you must drive under these conditions, drive only with at least one window fully open at all times.

Do not depress the accelerator pedal when starting the engine.

### General information

- 1 The catalytic converter is preheated for up to 30seconds after a cold start. The sound of the engine may change during this time.
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### **Automatic transmission**

- ▶ Shift the transmission to position **P**. The transmission position display in the multifunction display shows P.
- 1 You can also start the engine when the transmission is in position N.

# Starting procedure with the SmartKey

- 1 To start the engine using the SmartKey instead of KEYLESS-GO, pull the Start/ Stop button out of the ignition lock.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 3 in the ignition lock (⊳ page 135) and release it as soon as the engine is running.

### Using KEYLESS-GO to start the engine

# **⚠ WARNING**

As long as the SmartKey is in your vehicle, the vehicle can be started. Therefore, never leave children unattended in the vehicle, as they could otherwise accidentally start the engine. When leaving the vehicle, always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

- 1 The Start/Stop button can be used to start the vehicle manually without inserting the SmartKey into the ignition lock. The Start/Stop button must be inserted into the ignition lock and the SmartKey must be in the vehicle. This mode for starting the engine operates independently of the ECO start/stop automatic engine start function.
- ▶ Depress the brake pedal and keep it depressed.
- ▶ Press the Start/Stop button (▷ page 135) once. The engine starts.

### Pulling away

### Automatic transmission



# **↑** WARNING

It is dangerous to shift the automatic transmission out of parking position P or neutral position N if the engine speed is higher than idle speed. If your foot is not firmly on the brake pedal, the vehicle could accelerate quickly forward or in reverse. You could lose control of the vehicle and hit someone or something. Only shift into gear when the engine is idling normally and when your right foot is firmly on the brake pedal.

t is only possible to shift the transmission from position P to the desired position if you depress the brake pedal. Only then is the parking lock released. If you do not depress the brake pedal, you can move the DIRECT SELECT lever but the parking lock remains engaged.

- ▶ Depress the brake pedal and keep it depressed.
- ▶ Shift the transmission to position **D** or **R**.
- ▶ Release the parking brake (▷ page 153).
- ► Release the brake pedal.
- ► Carefully depress the accelerator pedal.
- If a warning tone sounds and the Release Park. Brake message appears in the multifunction display, the parking brake is still applied. Release the parking brake.
- The vehicle locks centrally once you have pulled away. The locking knobs in the doors drop down.

You can open the doors from the inside at any time.

You can also deactivate the automatic locking feature (⊳ page 215).

1 Upshifts take place at higher engine speeds after a cold start. This helps the catalytic converter to reach its operating temperature more quickly.

#### Hill start assist

Hill start assist helps you when pulling away forwards or in reverse on an uphill gradient. It holds the vehicle for a short time after you have removed your foot from the brake pedal. This gives you enough time to move your foot from the brake pedal to the accelerator pedal and to depress it before the vehicle begins to roll.

# **↑** WARNING

Never leave the vehicle when it is held by hill start assist. After approximately one second, hill start assist will no longer brake your vehicle and it could roll away.

- ► Take your foot off the brake pedal.
- ① Once you have taken your foot off the brake pedal, the vehicle is held for around one second.
- ▶ Pull away.

Hill start assist will not function if:

- you are pulling away on a level road or on a downhill gradient.
- the transmission is in position N.
- the parking brake is applied.
- ESP<sup>®</sup> is malfunctioning.

### ECO start/stop function

### General notes

The ECO start/stop function is only available for the CLS 63 AMG.

The ECO start/stop function is only available in drive program C.

The ECO start/stop function switches the engine off automatically when the vehicle stops moving.

The engine starts automatically when the driver wants to pull away again. The ECO start/stop function thereby helps you to reduce the fuel consumption and emissions of your vehicle.

The ECO start/stop function is activated each time the engine is switched on. If all conditions for automatic engine switch-off are fulfilled (⊳ page 139), the green **ECO** symbol is shown in the multifunction display and the Stop/Start active message appears. If not all the conditions are fulfilled, the **ECO** symbol is shown in yellow and the Stop/Start inactive message is shown. If the ECO start/stop function is deactivated (⊳ page 139), the **ECO** symbol is not shown.

## **↑** WARNING

If the engine is switched off and the ECO symbol is shown in green in the multifunction display, the engine has been switched off automatically. All of the vehicle's systems remain active. If you open the door, unfasten your seat belt or remove your foot from the brake pedal, the engine will automatically start. The vehicle may begin moving. You

could suffer serious or even fatal injury or cause an accident resulting in injury or death.

Never leave the vehicle while the ECO symbol in the multifunction display is shown in green or yellow. Always secure the vehicle against rolling away before leaving it.

Always switch the ignition off and take the key with you when leaving the vehicle.

# Automatic engine switch-off

The ECO start/stop function switches the engine off automatically if the vehicle is braked to a standstill and the brake remains depressed with the transmission in position **D** or **N**.

1 You can still activate the HOLD function when the vehicle is stationary, even if the engine has been switched off automatically. It is then not necessary to continue applying the brakes during the automatic stop phase. When you depress the accelerator pedal, the engine starts automatically and the braking effect of the HOLD function is deactivated. Depress the accelerator pedal carefully, as the engine must be started first.

The engine is only switched off if:

- the outside temperature is within the range which is suitable for the system.
- the engine is at normal operating temperature.
- the set temperature for the vehicle interior has been reached.
- the battery is sufficiently charged.
- the system detects that the windshield is not fogged up when the air-conditioning system is switched on.
- the hood is closed.
- no engine-relevant diagnostics are active.
- the front door is closed and the seat belt is fastened.
- 1 During automatic engine switch-off, the climate control system only operates at a

reduced capacity. If you require full climate control capacity, the ECO start/stop function can be deactivated by pressing the ECO button (> page 139).

# Automatic engine start

The engine is started automatically if you:

- release the brake pedal when HOLD is not activated and the transmission is in position D or N
- shift the transmission to position R
- depress the accelerator pedal
- switch off the ECO start/stop function by pressing the ECO button
- switch to drive program S, S+ or M
- unfasten your seat belt or open the driver's door

The engine is also started automatically if:

- the vehicle starts to roll.
- the brake system requires this.
- the system detects moisture on the windshield when the air-conditioning system is switched on.
- the temperature in the vehicle interior deviates from the set range.
- the charge level of the battery is too low.

# Deactivating/activating the ECO start/ stop function



Example: ECO button

i If indicator lamp ② is off, the ECO start/ stop function has been deactivated manually or as the result of a malfunction. The engine will then not be switched off automatically when the vehicle stops.

1 Every time you start the engine, the ECO start/stop function is switched on and the automatic transmission shifts to automatic drive program **C**.

## Deactivating

▶ Press button (1) in drive program **C**.

or

➤ Switch to drive program **S**, **S**+ or **M**(▷ page 145).
Indicator lamp ② on button ① and the

ECO symbol in the multifunction display go out.

The Stop/Start active or Stop/Start inactive message in the AMG menu in the multifunction display goes out.

# **Activating**

▶ Press button (1). Indicator lamp 2 lights up. If drive program S, S+ or M is active, the automatic transmission switches to drive program C. If all conditions for automatic engine switch-off (⊳ page 139) are fulfilled, the **ECO** symbol is shown in green in the multifunction display. In addition, the Stop/Start active message is shown in the AMG menu in the multifunction display. If not all conditions for automatic engine switch-off (⊳ page 139) are fulfilled, the Stop/Start inactive message appears in the AMG menu of the multifunction display and the **ECO** symbol is shown in yellow. If this is the case, the ECO start/ stop function is not available.

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Problem	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
The engine does not start. The starter motor can be heard.	<ul> <li>There is a malfunction in the engine electronics.</li> <li>There is a malfunction in the fuel supply.</li> <li>▶ Before attempting to start the engine again, turn the SmartKey in the ignition back to position 0 or press the Start/Stop button repeatedly until all indicator lamps in the instrument cluster go out.</li> <li>▶ Try to start the engine again (▷ page 136). Avoid excessively long and frequent attempts to start the engine as these will drain the battery.</li> <li>If the engine does not start after several attempts:</li> <li>▶ Consult a qualified specialist workshop.</li> </ul>
The engine does not start. You cannot hear the starter motor.	The on-board voltage is too low because the battery is too weak or discharged.  ▶ Jump-start the vehicle (▷ page 311).  If the engine does not start despite attempts to jump-start it:  ▶ Consult a qualified specialist workshop.
	<ul> <li>The starter motor was exposed to a thermal load that was too high.</li> <li>▶ Allow the starter motor to cool down for approximately two minutes.</li> <li>▶ Try to start the engine again.</li> <li>If the engine still does not start:</li> <li>▶ Consult a qualified specialist workshop.</li> </ul>
The engine is not running smoothly and is misfiring.	There is a malfunction in the engine electronics or in a mechanical component of the engine management system.  ▶ Only depress the accelerator pedal slightly. Otherwise, non-combusted fuel may get into the catalytic converter and damage it.  ▶ Have the cause rectified immediately at a qualified specialist workshop.
The coolant temperature gauge shows a value above 248 °F (120 °C).	<ul> <li>The coolant level is too low. The coolant is too hot and the engine is no longer being cooled sufficiently.</li> <li>▶ Stop as soon as possible and allow the engine and the coolant to cool down.</li> <li>▶ Check the coolant level (▷ page 288). Observe the warning notes as you do so and add coolant if necessary.</li> </ul>

### **Automatic transmission**

### Important safety notes

# ★ WARNING

It is dangerous to shift the automatic transmission out of parking position  ${\bf P}$  or neutral position  ${\bf N}$  if the engine speed is higher than idle speed. If your foot is not firmly on the brake pedal, the vehicle could accelerate quickly forward or in reverse. You could lose control of the vehicle and hit someone or something. Only shift into gear when the engine is idling normally and when your right foot is firmly on the brake pedal.

# **↑** WARNING

Keep in mind that turning off the engine alone only will shift the automatic transmission into neutral position  ${\bf N}$  automatically.

Always shift the automatic transmission into park position **P** before turning off the engine. Otherwise the vehicle could roll away which could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

### Selector lever

# Overview of transmission positions



Selector lever in AMG vehicles with P button

- P Park position with parking lock
- R Reverse gear
- N Neutral
- **D** Drive

# Transmission position and drive program display



- (1) Transmission position display
- ② Drive program display

The current position of the selector lever is shown by the indicators next to the selector lever.

The indicators light up when the SmartKey is inserted into the ignition lock. The indicators go out when the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock.

If the transmission position display in the multifunction display is not working, you should pull away carefully to check whether the desired transmission position is engaged. Ideally, you should select transmission position **D** and drive program **C**. Do not restrict the shift range.

### **DIRECT SELECT lever**

# Overview of transmission positions

The DIRECT SELECT lever is on the right of the steering column.



- P Park position with parking lock
- R Reverse gear

N Neutral

D Drive

i The DIRECT SELECT lever always returns to its original position. The current transmission position P, R, N or D appears in the transmission position display (▷ page 142) in the multifunction display.

# Transmission position and drive program display

The current transmission position and drive program appear in the multifunction display.



- 1) Transmission position display
- 2 Drive program display
- 1 The arrows in the transmission position display show how and into which transmission positions you can change using the DIRECT SELECT lever.
- If the transmission position display in the multifunction display is not working, you should pull away carefully to check whether the desired transmission position is engaged. Ideally, you should select transmission position **D** and drive program **E** or **S**. Do not restrict the shift range.

# Engaging park position P

- ▶ Push the DIRECT SELECT lever in the direction of arrow **P**.
- 1 The automatic transmission shifts automatically into park position **P** if you open the driver's door when the vehicle is stationary or driving at very low speed, and the transmission is in position **D** or **R**.
- If the engine speed is too high or the vehicle is moving, do not shift the

automatic transmission directly from  ${\bf D}$  to  ${\bf R}$ , from  ${\bf R}$  to  ${\bf D}$  or directly to  ${\bf P}$ . The automatic transmission could otherwise be damaged.

HOLD function or DISTRONIC PLUS: the automatic transmission automatically switches to transmission position **P** if the vehicle is braked by the HOLD function or DISTRONIC PLUS. In addition, at least one of the following conditions must be fulfilled:

- the engine is switched off.
- the driver's door is open and the seat belt is not in the buckle.

# Engaging park position P in AMG vehicles



► If the vehicle is stationary, press P button (1).

### Engaging reverse gear R

- I Only shift the automatic transmission to **R** when the vehicle is stationary.
- ► When the vehicle is stationary, depress the brake pedal.
- ▶ Push the DIRECT SELECT lever up past the first point of resistance.

#### Shifting to neutral N

- ► When the vehicle is stationary, depress the brake pedal.
- ▶ Push the DIRECT SELECT lever up or down to the first point of resistance.

If the engine has been switched off, the automatic transmission automatically switches to N.

#### Remaining in neutral N

If the automatic transmission is to remain in neutral N, e.g. for washing the vehicle in car washes with a towing device, please observe the following instructions:

# **↑** WARNING

When leaving the SmartKey in the starter switch, do not leave children unattended in the vehicle. It is possible for children to switch on the ignition which could result in unsupervised use of vehicle equipment. Unsupervised use of vehicle equipment could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

#### Using the SmartKey:

- make sure that the ignition is switched on.
- when the vehicle is stationary, depress the brake pedal and keep it depressed.
- shift to neutral N.
- release the brake pedal.
- if the parking brake is applied, release it.
- · switch off the ignition and leave the SmartKey in the ignition lock.

#### Using KEYLESS-GO:

- make sure that the ignition is switched on.
- when the vehicle is stationary, depress the brake pedal and keep it depressed.
- engage park position P.
- release the brake pedal.
- remove the Start/Stop button from the ignition lock.
- insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock.
- switch on the ignition.
- depress the brake pedal and keep it depressed.
- shift to neutral N.
- release the brake pedal.

- if the parking brake is applied, release it.
- · switch off the ignition and leave the SmartKey in the ignition lock.

# **Engaging drive position D**

- ▶ When the vehicle is stationary, depress the brake pedal.
- ▶ Push the DIRECT SELECT lever down past the first point of resistance.

#### Changing gear

The automatic transmission shifts to the individual gears automatically when it is in transmission position **D**. This automatic gearshifting behavior is determined by:

- · a shift range restriction, if selected
- the selected drive program (> page 145)
- the position of the accelerator pedal
- the road speed

# **Driving tips**

#### AMG vehicles

When shifting down, the double-clutch function is active regardless of the currently selected drive program. The double-clutch function reduces load change reactions and is conducive to a sporty driving style. The sound generated by the double-clutch function depends on the drive program selected.

#### **Kickdown**

Use kickdown for maximum acceleration.

Vehicles for USA (except AMG vehicles): fully depress the accelerator pedal.

The transmission shifts to a lower gear depending on the engine speed.

► Vehicles for Canada and AMG vehicles: depress the accelerator pedal beyond the pressure point.

The transmission shifts to a lower gear depending on the engine speed.

# Rocking the vehicle free

Rocking the vehicle free by shifting back and forth between transmission positions **D** and **R** can help to free a vehicle that has become stuck in mud or snow. The engine management system of the vehicle limits shifting back and forth between transmission positions **D** and **R** to a maximum speed of 5 mph (9 km/h). To shift back and forth between transmission positions **D** and **R**, move the selector lever up and down beyond the pressure point.

#### Working on the vehicle

#### **↑** WARNING

When working on the vehicle, engage the parking brake and shift the automatic transmission into park position **P**. Otherwise the vehicle could roll away which could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

#### Program selector button

### General information

The program selector button allows you to choose between different driving characteristics.



Program selector button on all models except AMG vehicles

<b>E</b> Economy	Comfortable, economical driving
<b>S</b> Sport	Sporty driving style

- i For further information on the automatic drive program, see (▷ page 146).
- ► Press program selector button ①
  repeatedly until the letter for the desired
  gearshift program appears in the
  multifunction display.
- 1 The automatic transmission shifts to automatic drive program **E** each time the engine is started.

#### **AMG** vehicles



Drive program selector with manual drive program

<b>C</b> Controlled Efficiency	Comfortable, economical driving
<b>S</b> Sport	Sporty driving style

S+ SportPlus	Extremely sporty driving style
M Manual	Manual gear shifting
RS RACE START	Optimal vehicle acceleration from a standstill

**1** For further information on the automatic drive program, see (⊳ page 146).

Only change from automatic drive program **C**, **S** or **S+** to manual drive program **M** when the vehicle is stationary.

- ► Turn drive program selector ① until the desired drive program appears in the multifunction display in the speedometer. The drive program indicator on drive program selector ① lights up in red.
- 1 The automatic transmission shifts to automatic drive program **C** each time the engine is started.
- **1) RS** cannot be selected during normal driving. For further information on RACE START, see (> page 171).

#### Steering wheel paddle shifters



- ① Left-hand steering wheel paddle shifter
- 2 Right-hand steering wheel paddle shifter

In the automatic drive program, you can restrict or derestrict the shift range by using the steering wheel paddle shifters (> page 146).

1 You can only change gear with the steering wheel paddle shifters when the transmission is in position **D**.

### Automatic drive program

Drive program **E** (drive program **C** on AMG vehicles) is characterized by the following:

- comfort-oriented engine and automatic transmission settings
- optimal fuel consumption resulting from the automatic transmission shifting up sooner
- the vehicle pulling away more gently in forward and reverse gears, unless the accelerator pedal is depressed fully
- increased sensitivity. This improves driving stability on slippery road surfaces, for example
- the automatic transmission shifting up sooner. This results in the vehicle being driven at lower engine speeds and the wheels being less likely to spin

Drive program **S** (drive programs **S** and **S+** on AMG vehicles) is characterized by the following:

- sporty engine and automatic transmission settings
- the vehicle pulling away in first gear
- the automatic transmission shifting up later
- the fuel consumption possibly being higher as a result of the later automatic transmission shift points

# **Shift ranges**

#### Introduction

On AMG vehicles and vehicles with steering wheel paddle shifters, you can restrict or derestrict the shift range using the steering wheel paddle shifters. When the automatic transmission is in position **D**, it is possible to restrict or derestrict the shift range (▷ page 146). The shift range selected is shown in the multifunction display. The automatic transmission shifts only as far as the selected gear.

### Shift range

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You can use the engine's braking effect.



To use the braking effect of the engine on downhill gradients and for driving:

- on steep mountain roads
- in mountainous terrain
- in arduous conditions



To use the braking effect of the engine on extremely steep downhill gradients and on long downhill stretches

# Restricting the shift range

- ▶ Pull the left-hand steering wheel paddle shifter.
  - The automatic transmission shifts down one gear and restricts the shift range to the relevant gear.
- 1 If the engine exceeds the maximum engine speed when shifting down, the automatic transmission protects against engine damage by not shifting down.
- 1 If the maximum engine speed for the shift range is reached and you continue to accelerate, the automatic transmission shifts up in order to prevent the engine from overrevving, even if the shift range is restricted.

# Derestricting the shift range

► Pull the right-hand steering wheel paddle shifter.

The shift range is derestricted.

# Clearing the shift range restriction

▶ Pull and hold the right-hand steering wheel paddle shifter until **D** is shown again in the multifunction display.

The automatic transmission shifts from the current shift range directly to **D**.

#### Selecting the ideal shift range

▶ Pull the left-hand steering wheel paddle shifter and hold it in position. The automatic transmission shifts to the gear which allows optimum acceleration and deceleration. To do this, the automatic transmission shifts down one or more gears.

## Manual drive program

# Switching on the manual drive program

The manual drive program is only available for AMG vehicles.

Manual drive program **M** is different from drive programs **S** and **S+** with regard to spontaneity, responsiveness and smoothness of gear changes.

Manual drive program **M** can be selected using the drive program selector. In manual drive program **M**, you can change gear yourself using the steering wheel paddle shifters if the transmission is in position **D**. The gear currently selected and engaged is shown in the multifunction display.

► Turn the drive program selector (▷ page 145) until **M** appears in the multifunction display.

The indicator **M** on the drive program selector lights up in red.

## **Upshifting**

In manual drive program M, the automatic transmission does not shift up automatically even when the engine limiting speed for the current gear is

reached. When the engine limiting speed is reached, the fuel supply is cut to prevent the engine from overrevving. Always make sure that the engine speed does not reach the red area of the tachometer. There is otherwise a risk of engine damage.

▶ Pull the right-hand steering wheel paddle shifter (▷ page 146). The automatic transmission shifts up to the next gear.

Before the engine speed reaches the red area, an upshift indicator appears in the multifunction display.



- (1) Gear indicator
- ② Upshift indicator

#### **Downshifting**

- ▶ Pull the left-hand steering wheel paddle shifter (▷ page 146). The automatic transmission shifts down to the next gear.
- 1 If you brake the vehicle or stop without shifting down, the automatic transmission will shift down to a gear that will allow the vehicle to accelerate or pull away again.
- 1 For maximum acceleration, pull the lefthand steering wheel paddle shifter until the transmission selects the optimum gear for the current speed.

#### **Kickdown**

**1** Kickdown is not possible in manual drive program **M**.

# Switching off the manual drive program

➤ Turn the drive program selector (> page 145) until **C**, **S** or **S+** appears in the multifunction display.

#### Problems with the transmission

Problem	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
The transmission has problems shifting gear.	The transmission is losing oil.  ▶ Have the transmission checked at a qualified specialist workshop immediately.
The acceleration ability is deteriorating. The transmission no longer changes gear.	The transmission is in emergency mode.  It is only possible to shift into <b>second</b> gear and reverse gear.  ► Stop the vehicle.  ► Shift the transmission to position <b>P</b> .  ► Switch off the engine.  ► Wait at least 10seconds before restarting the engine.  ► Shift the transmission to position <b>D</b> or <b>R</b> .  If <b>D</b> is selected, the transmission shifts into <b>second</b> gear; if <b>R</b> is selected, the transmission shifts into reverse gear.  ► Have the transmission checked at a qualified specialist workshop immediately.

# Refueling

### Important safety notes

# **MARNING**

Gasoline is highly flammable and poisonous. It burns violently and can cause serious personal injury.

Never allow sparks, flames or smoking materials near gasoline.

Turn off the engine before refueling.

Whenever you are around gasoline, avoid inhaling fumes and any skin or clothing contact.

Direct skin contact with fuels and the inhalation of fuel vapors are damaging to your health.

# **↑** WARNING

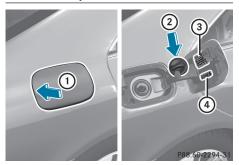
Overfilling of the fuel tank may create pressure in the system which could cause a gas discharge. This could cause the gasoline to spray back out when removing the fuel pump nozzle, which could cause personal injury.

- Do not use diesel to refuel vehicles with a gasoline engine. Even small amounts of the wrong fuel result in damage to the fuel system and engine.
- Do not switch on the ignition if you accidentally refuel with the wrong fuel. Otherwise, the fuel will enter the fuel lines. Notify a qualified specialist workshop and have the fuel tank and fuel lines drained completely.
- I Overfilling the fuel tank could damage the fuel system.
- Take care not to spill any fuel on painted surfaces. You could otherwise damage the paintwork.
- Use a filter when refueling from a fuel can. Otherwise, the fuel lines and/or injection system could be blocked by particles from the fuel can.

Further information on fuel and on fuel grades can be found in the "Fuel" section (⊳ page 353).

# Refueling

# Fuel filler flap



- 1 To open the fuel filler flap
- 2 To insert the fuel filler cap
- (3) Tire pressure table
- 4 Fuel type

The fuel filler flap is unlocked or locked automatically when you open or close the vehicle with the SmartKey or with KEYLESS-GO.

The position of the fuel filler cap is displayed in the instrument cluster. The arrow next to the filling pump indicates the side of the vehicle.

### Opening

- ▶ Switch off the engine.
- ► Remove the SmartKey from the ignition
- ► KEYLESS-GO: open the driver's door. This corresponds to SmartKey position 0: "SmartKey removed".

The driver's door can be closed again.

▶ Press the fuel filler flap in the direction of arrow (1).

The fuel filler flap opens slightly.

- ▶ Open the fuel filler flap fully.
- ► Turn the fuel filler flap counter-clockwise and remove it.
- ▶ Insert the fuel filler cap into the holder bracket on the inside of filler flap (2).

- ► Completely insert the filler neck of the fuel pump nozzle into the tank and refuel.
- ▶ Only fill the tank until the pump nozzle switches off.
- Do not add any more fuel after the pump stops filling for the first time. Otherwise, fuel may leak out.

#### Closing

- ▶ Replace the cap on the filler neck and turn clockwise until it engages audibly.
- Close the fuel filler flap.
- 1 If you drive with the fuel filler cap open, reserve fuel warning lamp flashes. In addition, the Check Engine warning lamp may light up. A message appears in the multifunction display (⊳ page 234).

For further information on warning and indicator lamps in the instrument cluster, see (⊳ page 254).

1 Close the fuel filler flap before locking the vehicle. Otherwise, the locking pin of the central locking prevents the fuel filler flap from closing.

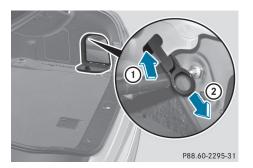
#### Fuel filler flap emergency release



#### ♠ WARNING

The edges on the inside of the vehicle body can be sharp. You could injure yourself when using the fuel filler flap emergency release. Avoid contact with the edges on the inside of the vehicle body.

- ▶ Open the trunk lid.
- ▶ Slide down the parcel net.
- ▶ Open the right-hand side trim panel.
- ▶ Remove the first-aid kit (▷ page 300).



- ▶ Detach the emergency release from retainer ①.
- ▶ Pull the emergency release in the direction of arrow ②.
   The fuel filler flap is unlocked.
- ▶ Open the fuel filler flap.

# Problems with fuel and the fuel tank

Problem	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Fuel is leaking from the vehicle.	<ul> <li></li></ul>
The fuel filler flap cannot be opened.	The fuel filler flap is not unlocked.  or The SmartKey battery is discharged.  ▶ Unlock the vehicle using the mechanical key (▷ page 76).  ▶ Open the trunk lid.  ▶ Manually unlock the fuel filler flap using the emergency release (▷ page 150).
	The fuel filler flap is unlocked, but the opening mechanism is jammed.  ▶ Consult a qualified specialist workshop.

# **Parking**

#### Important safety notes



# **⚠ WARNING**

combustible materials can come into contact with the hot exhaust system. Do not park the vehicle on dry grassland or harvested grain fields. Combustible materials, such as grass, hay or leaves could be ignited by the hot exhaust system and cause a vehicle fire. Unintended vehicle movement can cause serious personal injury or damage to the vehicle or the vehicle drivetrain. To reduce such risks, always do the following before turning off the engine and leaving the vehicle:

Do not park this vehicle in areas where

- keep your right foot on the brake pedal.
- engage the parking brake.
- shift the automatic transmission to park position P.

- slowly release the brake pedal.
- when parked on an incline, always turn the front wheels towards the road curb.
- turn the SmartKey in the ignition lock to position **0** and remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock, or press the KEYLESS-GO Start/Stop button.
- take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle when leaving.

# Switching off the engine

#### Important safety notes



# **↑** WARNING

Do not turn off the engine before the vehicle has come to a complete stop. With the engine not running, there is no power assistance for the brake and steering systems. In this case, it is important to keep in mind that a

considerably higher degree of effort is necessary to brake and steer the vehicle.

# **MARNING**

Keep in mind that turning off the engine alone only will shift the automatic transmission into neutral position N automatically.

Always shift the automatic transmission into park position **P** before turning off the engine. Otherwise the vehicle could roll away which could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

#### Vehicles with automatic transmission

- ► Apply the parking brake firmly.
- ▶ Standard vehicles: shift the transmission to P.



Selector lever in AMG vehicles with P button

▶ AMG vehicles: press P button ①.

#### Using the SmartKey

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position **0** in the ignition lock and remove it. The immobilizer is activated.
- If you turn off the engine with the SmartKey and then remove it from the ignition lock or open a front door, the automatic transmission shifts to P automatically.

#### Using KEYLESS-GO

- ▶ Press the Start/Stop button (▷ page 135). The engine stops and all the indicator lamps in the instrument cluster go out.
- 1 When the driver's door is closed, this corresponds to SmartKey position 1. When the driver's door is open, it corresponds to SmartKey position **0** or "SmartKey removed".
- If you use the Start/Stop button to switch off the engine, the automatic transmission shifts to N automatically. If you then open the driver's or front-passenger door, the automatic transmission shifts to P.
- 1 The engine can be turned off while the vehicle is in motion by pressing and holding the Start/Stop button for three seconds. This function operates independently from the ECO start/stop automatic engine switch-off function.

# Parking brake

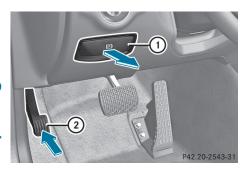


# **↑** WARNING

Engaging the parking brake while the vehicle is in motion can cause the rear wheels to lock up. You could lose control of the vehicle and cause an accident. In addition, the vehicle's brake lights do not light up when the parking brake is engaged.

# **↑** WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the starter switch, take it with you, and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. Children could release the parking brake and/or shift the automatic transmission out of park position P, either of which could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.



- ▶ To apply: depress parking brake ② firmly. When the engine is running, the BRAKE (USA only) or ((Canada only) indicator lamp lights up in the instrument cluster.
- ► To release: depress the brake pedal and keep it depressed.
- ▶ Pull release handle (1). When the ignition is switched on or the engine is running, the BRAKE (USA only) or (Canada only) indicator lamp goes out in the instrument cluster.

# Parking the vehicle for a long period

If you leave the vehicle parked for longer than four weeks, the battery may be damaged by exhaustive discharge.

- ► Connect a trickle charger.
- 1 You can obtain information about trickle chargers from a qualified specialist workshop.

If you leave the vehicle parked for longer than six weeks, the vehicle may suffer damage as a result of lack of use.

▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop and seek advice.

#### **Driving tips**

# General driving tips

#### Important safety notes



## **↑** WARNING

Always remember that you must concentrate primarily on driving the vehicle. The driver's concentration must always be directed primarily at road traffic. For your own safety and that of others, we recommend that you stop the vehicle at a safe place and in accordance with the traffic conditions before making or accepting a phone call.

Comply with all legal requirements if you use the telephone while driving. Use the handsfree system and only use the telephone when road, weather and traffic conditions permit. In some jurisdictions, it is forbidden for drivers to use mobile phones while driving.

Only operate the audio system or COMAND (Cockpit Management and Data System) in compliance with all legal requirements and when the road, weather and traffic conditions permit. You may otherwise not be able to observe the traffic conditions, endangering yourself and others.

Remember that your vehicle covers a distance of 44 ft (approximately 14 m) a second when it is traveling at only 30 mph (approximately 50 km/h).

#### Drive sensibly - save fuel

Observe the following tips to save fuel:

- ▶ The tires should always be inflated to the recommended tire pressure.
- ► Remove unnecessary loads.
- ▶ Remove roof racks when they are not needed.
- ▶ Warm up the engine at low engine speeds.
- Avoid frequent acceleration or braking.
- ► Have all maintenance work carried out as indicated by the service intervals in the Maintenance Booklet or by the service interval display.

Fuel consumption also increases when driving in cold weather, in stop-and-go traffic and in mountainous terrain.

# Drinking and driving

# **↑** WARNING

Drinking and driving and/or taking drugs and driving are very dangerous combinations. Even a small amount of alcohol or drugs can affect your reflexes, perceptions and judgment.

The possibility of a serious or even fatal accident are greatly increased when you drink or take drugs and drive.

Do not drink or take drugs and drive or allow anyone to drive who has been drinking or taking drugs.

#### **Pedals**

# / WARNING

Make sure absolutely no objects are obstructing the pedals' range of movement. Keep the driver's footwell clear of all obstacles. If there are any floormats or carpets in the footwell, make sure that the pedals still have sufficient clearance.

During sudden driving or braking maneuvers, the objects could get caught between the pedals. You could then no longer brake or accelerate. This could lead to accidents and injury.

# Rolling with the engine switched off



# / WARNING

There is no power assistance for the steering and the brake when the engine is not running. Steering and braking requires significantly more effort and you could lose control of the vehicle and cause an accident as a result. Do not turn off the engine while the vehicle is in motion.

#### **Exhaust check**



# **↑** WARNING

Inhalation of exhaust gas is hazardous to your health. All exhaust gas contains carbon monoxide (CO), and inhaling it can cause unconsciousness and possible death.

Do not run the engine in confined areas (such as a garage) which are not properly ventilated. If you think that exhaust gas fumes are entering the vehicle while driving, have the cause determined and corrected immediately. If you must drive under these conditions, drive only with at least one window fully open at all times.

Certain engine systems are designed to keep the level of poisonous components in exhaust fumes within legal limits.

These systems only work at peak efficiency if they are serviced exactly in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. For this reason, all work on the engine should only be carried out by qualified and authorized Mercedes-Benz technicians.

The engine settings must not be changed under any circumstances. Furthermore, all specific service work must be carried out at regular intervals and in accordance with the Mercedes-Benz service requirements. Details can be found in the Maintenance Booklet.

#### **Brakes**

# Important safety notes



# **↑** WARNING

On slippery road surfaces, never downshift in order to obtain braking action. This could result in drive wheel slip and reduced vehicle control. Your vehicle's ABS will not prevent this type of loss of control.



# **⚠ WARNING**

Make sure that you do not endanger other road users when you apply the brakes.

# **Downhill gradients**

I On long and steep gradients, you must reduce the load on the brakes by shifting early to a lower gear. This allows you to take advantage of the engine braking effect and helps avoid overheating and excessive wear of the brakes.

When you take advantage of the engine braking effect, a drive wheel may not turn for some time, e.g. on a slippery road surface. This could cause damage to the drive train. This type of damage is not covered by the Mercedes-Benz warranty.

# Heavy and light loads

# **↑** WARNING

Depressing the brake pedal constantly results in excessive and premature wear to the brake pads.

It may also cause the brakes to overheat, seriously impairing their effectiveness. It may then not be possible to stop the vehicle in sufficient time to avoid an accident.

If the brakes have been subjected to a heavy load, do not stop the vehicle immediately, but drive on for a short while. This allows the airflow to cool the brakes more quickly.

#### Wet roads

# **↑** WARNING

After driving in heavy rain for some time without applying the brakes or through water deep enough to wet brake components, the first braking action may be somewhat reduced. You have to depress the brake pedal more firmly. Maintain a safe distance from vehicles in front.

After driving on a wet road or having the vehicle washed, brake firmly while paying attention to the traffic conditions. This will warm up the brake discs, thereby drying them more quickly and protecting them against corrosion.

### Limited braking performance on salttreated roads



# **↑** WARNING

The layer of salt on the brake discs and the brake pads/linings may cause a delay in the braking effect, resulting in a significantly longer braking distance, which could lead to an accident.

To avoid this danger, you should:

- occasionally brake carefully, without putting other road users at risk, when you are driving on salted roads. This helps to remove any salt that may have started to build up on the brake discs and the brake pads/linings.
- maintain a greater distance to the vehicle ahead and drive with particular care.
- carefully apply the brakes at the end of a trip and immediately after commencing a new trip, so that salt residues are removed from the brake discs.

# Servicing the brakes

If the red brake warning lamp lights up in the instrument cluster and you hear a warning tone while the engine is running, the brake fluid level may be too low. Observe additional warning messages in the multifunction display.

The brake fluid level may be too low due to brake pad wear or leaking brake lines. Have the brake system checked immediately. This work should be carried out at a qualified specialist workshop.

All checks and maintenance work on the brake system must be carried out at a qualified specialist workshop. Consult a qualified specialist workshop to arrange this. Have brake pads installed and brake fluid replaced at a qualified specialist workshop.



# ★ WARNING

If brake pads or brake fluid other than those recommended are used, the braking

properties of the vehicle can be degraded to an extent that safe braking is substantially impaired. This could result in an accident.

- Vehicles with 4MATIC: function or performance tests may only be carried out on a 2-axle dynamometer. If you are planning to have the vehicle tested on such a dynamometer, contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center to obtain further information first. Otherwise, you could damage the drive train or the brake system.
- yehicles with 4MATIC: as the ESP® system operates automatically, the engine and the ignition must be switched off (SmartKey in position 0 or 1 in the ignition lock or Start/Stop button in position 0 or 1) while the parking brake is being tested on a brake dynamometer.

Braking maneuvers triggered automatically by ESP® may seriously damage the brake system.

- Yehicles with 4MATIC: as the ESP® system operates automatically, the engine and the ignition system must be switched off (SmartKey in position 0 or 1 in the ignition lock or Start/Stop button in position 0 or 1) when:
  - testing the parking brake on a brake dynamometer.
  - you intend to have the vehicle towed with one of the axles raised.

Braking maneuvers triggered automatically by ESP® may seriously damage the brake system.

If the brake system has only been subject to moderate loads, you should test the functionality of your brakes at regular intervals. To do so, press firmly on the brake pedal when driving at a high speed. This improves the grip of the brake pads.

# **↑** WARNING

Make sure that you do not endanger other road users when you apply the brakes.

You can find a description of Brake Assist (BAS) on (▷ page 64) or of BAS PLUS on (▷ page 64).

# AMG high-performance and ceramic brakes

The high-performance brake system is installed only on the CLS 63 AMG.

# **↑** WARNING

New vehicle brake pads and discs, and replacement brake pads and discs may take several hundred miles of driving until they provide optimum braking efficiency. Until that time, you may need to use increased brake pedal pressure while braking. Please be aware of this and adjust your driving and braking accordingly during this break-in period. Excessive high-demand braking will cause correspondingly high brake wear. Please be attentive to the brake warning lamp in the instrument cluster and brake condition messages in the multifunction display. Especially for high performance driving, it is important to maintain and have the brake system checked regularly.

The AMG brake systems are designed for heavy loads. This may lead to noise when braking. This will depend on:

- speed
- braking force
- environmental conditions, such as temperature and humidity

The wear of individual components of the brake system, such as the brake pads/linings or brake discs, depends on the individual driving style and operating conditions.

For this reason, it is impossible to state a mileage that will be valid under all circumstances. An aggressive driving style will lead to high wear. You can obtain further information about this from your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

#### Driving on wet roads

#### Hydroplaning

If water has accumulated to a certain depth on the road surface, there is a danger of hydroplaning occurring, even if:

- · you drive at low speeds.
- the tires have adequate tread depth.

For this reason, in the event of heavy rain or in conditions in which hydroplaning can occur, you must drive in the following manner:

- lower your speed.
- · avoid ruts.
- brake carefully.

# **Driving on flooded roads**

Do not drive through flooded areas. Check the depth of any water before driving through it. Drive slowly through standing water. Otherwise, water may enter the vehicle interior or the engine compartment. This can damage the electronic components in the engine or the automatic transmission. Water can also be drawn in by the engine's air suction nozzles and this can cause engine damage.

### Winter driving

#### Important safety notes



If the vehicle becomes trapped in snow, ensure that snow is kept away from the exhaust pipe and from around the vehicle as long as the engine is running. Otherwise, poisonous carbon monoxide (CO) may enter the vehicle, resulting in loss of consciousness and even death.

To assure sufficient fresh air ventilation, open a window slightly on the side of the vehicle not facing the wind.

Have your vehicle winterproofed at a qualified specialist workshop at the onset of winter. Observe the notes in the "Winter operation"

section (⊳ page 322).

#### Driving with summer tires

Observe the notes in the "Winter operation" section (⊳ page 322).

#### Slippery road surfaces



#### **↑** WARNING

The outside temperature indicator is not designed to serve as an ice-warning device and is therefore unsuitable for that purpose. Indicated temperatures just above the freezing point do not guarantee that the road surface is free of ice. The road may still be icy, especially in wooded areas or on bridges.



# **MARNING**

On slippery road surfaces, never downshift in order to obtain braking action. This could result in drive wheel slip and reduced vehicle control. Your vehicle's ABS will not prevent this type of loss of control.

Drive particularly carefully on slippery road surfaces. Avoid sudden acceleration, steering and braking maneuvers. Do not use the cruise control or DISTRONIC PLUS.

If the vehicle threatens to skid or cannot be stopped when moving at low speed:

- ▶ Shift the transmission to position **N**.
- for more information on driving with snow chains, see (⊳ page 323).



# **⚠ WARNING**

Make sure that you do not endanger other road users when you apply the brakes.

#### **Driving systems**

#### **Cruise control**

#### Important safety notes

Cruise control maintains a constant road speed for you. It brakes automatically in order to avoid exceeding the set speed. On long and steep downhill gradients, especially if the vehicle is laden, you must select shift range 1, 2 or 3 in good time. By doing so, you will make use of the braking effect of the engine, which relieves the load on the brake system and prevents the brakes from overheating and wearing too quickly.

Use cruise control only if road and traffic conditions make it appropriate to maintain a steady speed for a prolonged period. You can store any road speed above 20 mph (30 km/h).

#### **↑** WARNING

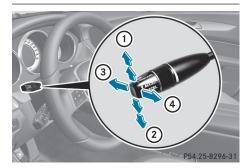
The cruise control is a convenience system designed to assist the driver during vehicle operation. The driver is and must always remain responsible for the vehicle's speed and for safe brake operation.

Only use the cruise control if the road, traffic, and weather conditions make it advisable to travel at a constant speed.

- The use of the cruise control can be dangerous on winding roads or in heavy traffic because conditions do not allow safe driving at a constant speed.
- The use of the cruise control can be dangerous on slippery roads. Rapid changes in tire traction can result in wheel spin and loss of control.
- · Deactivate the cruise control when driving in fog.

The "Resume" function should only be operated if the driver is fully aware of the previously set speed and wishes to resume this particular preset speed.

#### Cruise control lever



- 1) To activate or increase speed
- (2) To activate or reduce speed
- (3) To deactivate cruise control
- 4) To activate at the current speed/last stored speed

When you activate cruise control, the stored speed is shown in the multifunction display for five seconds. In the multifunction display, the segments between the stored speed and the maximum speed light up.

# Storing and maintaining the current speed

You can store the current speed if you are driving faster than 20 mph (30 km/h).

- ► Accelerate the vehicle to the desired speed.
- ► Briefly press the cruise control lever up (1) or down (2).
- ► Remove your foot from the accelerator pedal.
  - Cruise control is activated. The vehicle automatically maintains the stored speed.
- ① Cruise control may be unable to maintain the stored speed on uphill gradients. The stored speed is resumed when the gradient evens out. Cruise control maintains the stored speed on downhill gradients by automatically applying the brakes.

# Storing the current speed or calling up the last stored speed

# / WARNING

The set speed stored in memory should only be set again if prevailing road conditions and legal speed limits permit. Possible acceleration or deceleration differences arising from returning to the preset speed could cause an accident and/or serious injury to you and others.

- Briefly pull the cruise control lever towards
- ▶ Remove your foot from the accelerator pedal.

The first time cruise control is activated, it stores the current speed or regulates the speed of the vehicle to the previously stored speed.

# Setting a speed

# / WARNING

Keep in mind that it may take a brief moment until the vehicle has made the necessary adjustments.

Increase or decrease the set vehicle speed to a value that the prevailing road conditions and legal speed limits permit. Otherwise, sudden and unexpected acceleration or deceleration of the vehicle could cause an accident and/ or serious injury to you and others.

- ▶ Press the cruise control lever up (1) for a higher speed or down (2) for a lower speed.
- ▶ To adjust the speed in 1 mph increments (1 km/h increments): briefly press the cruise control lever up (1) or down (2) to the pressure point. The last speed stored is increased or decreased every time the cruise control lever is pushed up (1) or down (2).
- ▶ To adjust the speed in 5 mph increments (10 km/h increments): briefly press the cruise control lever

up (1) or down (2) beyond the pressure point.

The last speed stored is increased or decreased every time the cruise control lever is pushed up (1) or down (2).

Cruise control is not deactivated if you depress the accelerator pedal. For example, if you accelerate briefly to overtake, cruise control adjusts the vehicle's speed to the last speed stored after you have finished overtaking.

# Deactivating cruise control

There are several ways to deactivate cruise control:

▶ Briefly press the cruise control lever forwards (3).

or

▶ Brake.

Cruise control is automatically deactivated if:

- you depress the parking brake.
- you are driving at less than 20 mph (30 km/h)
- ESP<sup>®</sup> intervenes or you deactivate ESP<sup>®</sup>.
- you shift the transmission to position N while driving.
- you shift the transmission to position N while driving.

If cruise control is deactivated, you will hear a warning tone. You will see the Cruise Control Off message in the multifunction display for approximately five seconds.

1 When you switch off the engine, the last speed stored is cleared.

#### **DISTRONIC PLUS**

# Important safety notes

DISTRONIC PLUS regulates the speed and automatically helps you maintain the distance to the vehicle detected in front.

DISTRONIC PLUS brakes automatically so that the set speed is not exceeded.

On long and steep downhill gradients, especially if the vehicle is laden, you must select shift range 1, 2 or 3 in good time. By doing so, you will make use of the braking effect of the engine, which relieves the load on the brake system and prevents the brakes from overheating and wearing too quickly. If DISTRONIC PLUS detects a slower-moving vehicle in front, your vehicle is braked in order to maintain the preset distance to the vehicle in front.

# **MARNING**

The DISTRONIC PLUS requires familiarity with its operational characteristics. We strongly recommend that you review the following information carefully before operating the system.

# **↑** WARNING

The DISTRONIC PLUS is a convenience system. Its speed adjustment reduction capability is intended to make cruise control more effective and usable when traffic speeds vary. It is not however, intended to, nor does it, replace the need for extreme care.

The responsibility for the vehicle's speed, distance to the preceding vehicle and, most importantly, brake operation to ensure a safe stopping distance, always remains with the driver.

The DISTRONIC PLUS cannot take street and traffic conditions into account.

Complex driving situations are not always fully recognized by the DISTRONIC PLUS. This could result in wrong or missing distance warnings.

If you want DISTRONIC PLUS to assist you, the radar sensor system must be activated (> page 215) and operational.

If there is no vehicle in front, DISTRONIC PLUS operates in the same way as cruise control in the speed range between 20 mph (Canada: 30 km/h) and 120 mph (Canada:

200 km/h). If a vehicle is driving in front of you, it operates in the speed range between 0 mph (0 km/h) and 120 mph (Canada: 200 km/h).

Do not use DISTRONIC PLUS while driving on roads with steep gradients.

As DISTRONIC PLUS transmits radar waves, it can resemble the radar detectors of the responsible authorities. You can refer to the relevant chapter in the Operator's Manual if questions are asked about this.

**1** USA only:

This device has been approved by the FCC as a "Vehicular Radar System". The radar sensor is intended for use in an automotive radar system only. Removal, tampering, or altering of the device will void any warranties, and is not permitted by the FCC. Do not tamper with, alter, or use in any non-approved way.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

- 1 Canada only: This device complies with RSS-210 of Industry Canada. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
  - 1. This device may not cause interference, and
  - 2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Removal, tampering, or altering of the device will void any warranties and is not permitted. Do not tamper with, alter, or use the device in any non-approved way.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

# **MARNING**

DISTRONIC PLUS distance is not a substitute for the active intervention of the driver. It does not detect pedestrians or stationary objects, nor can it detect, recognize or predict the road's course or the movements of vehicles

in front. DISTRONIC PLUS can only brake the vehicle using 40% of the vehicle's maximum available brake force.

DISTRONIC PLUS may not detect narrow vehicles driving in front, e.g. motorcycles, or vehicles driving in the lane beyond the lane next to your vehicle, especially if the vehicles are not driving on the middle of their lane.

The driver must always pay careful attention to the road, weather and traffic conditions. The driver must drive, steer and brake in a manner which will allow him to always have control of the vehicle.

Sources of high-frequency radio waves, such as toll stations, speed-measuring radar, etc., can cause DISTRONIC PLUS to fail temporarily.

# **↑** WARNING

The DISTRONIC PLUS cannot take road and traffic conditions into account. Only use the DISTRONIC PLUS if the road, weather and traffic conditions make it advisable to travel at a constant speed.

# **⚠ WARNING**

Use of the DISTRONIC PLUS can be dangerous on slippery roads. Rapid changes in tire traction can result in wheel spin and loss of control.

The DISTRONIC PLUS does not function in adverse sight and distance conditions. Do not use the DISTRONIC PLUS during conditions of fog, heavy rain, snow or sleet.

# **↑** WARNING

The DISTRONIC PLUS cannot take weather conditions into account. Switch off the DISTRONIC PLUS or do not switch it on if:

- roads are slippery or covered with snow or ice. The wheels could lose traction while braking or accelerating, and the vehicle could skid.
- the DISTRONIC PLUS system sensor covers are dirty or visibility is diminished due to snow, rain or fog, for example. The distance

control system functionality could be impaired.

Always pay attention to surrounding traffic conditions even while the DISTRONIC PLUS is switched on. Otherwise, you may not be able to recognize dangerous situations until it is too late. This could cause an accident in which you and/or others could be injured.

#### **↑** WARNING

The "Resume" function should only be operated if the driver is fully aware of the previously set speed and wishes to resume this particular preset speed.

#### ♠ WARNING

Your undivided attention to street and traffic conditions is necessary at all times whether DISTRONIC PLUS is active or not.

The use of DISTRONIC PLUS can be dangerous on winding roads or in heavy traffic because conditions do not allow safe driving at a constant speed.

DISTRONIC PLUS does not react to stationary objects on the road (for example, a vehicle stopped in traffic or an abandoned vehicle). DISTRONIC PLUS likewise does not react to oncoming vehicles.

Deactivate DISTRONIC PLUS:

- · when changing to the right lane, if the vehicles in the left lane are driving slower
- when driving into a filter lane or an expressway exit
- in complex driving situations, for example in construction sites on an expressway

In these situations DISTRONIC PLUS will maintain the set speed if it is not deactivated.

DISTRONIC PLUS is intended only for maintaining a set speed and a set distance from the objects moving in front of the vehicle.



# **↑** WARNING

An intermittent warning sounds and the distance warning lamp (A) in the instrument cluster is illuminated if the DISTRONIC PLUS system calculates that the distance to the vehicle ahead and your vehicle's current speed indicate that the DISTRONIC PLUS will not be capable of slowing the vehicle sufficiently to maintain the preset following distance, which creates a danger of a collision.

Immediately brake the vehicle to increase your distance to the preceding vehicle. The warning sound is intended as a final caution in which you should intercede with your own braking inputs to avoid a potentially dangerous situation. Do not wait for the operation of the warning signal to intercede with your own braking. This will result in potentially dangerous emergency braking which will not always result in an impact being avoided.

Tailgating increases the risk of an accident.

# **↑** WARNING

DISTRONIC PLUS brakes your vehicle with a maximum deceleration of 13 ft/s $^2$  (4 m/s $^2$ ). This corresponds to approximately 40% of your vehicle's maximum braking force.

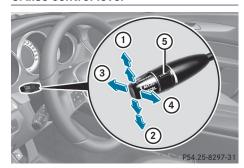
To avoid a collision, you must apply the brakes yourself. DISTRONIC PLUS brakes the vehicle just enough to restore the preset speed or the preset distance to the vehicle in front.

# **↑** WARNING

If you do not receive visual or acoustic warning signals during a critical traffic situation, DISTRONIC PLUS has either not recognized the collision risk, has been deactivated or is malfunctioning.

Remember, whether or not DISTRONIC PLUS is operating, it is ultimately always the drivers responsibility to apply the brakes in order to control the vehicle and avoid a collision.

#### Cruise control lever



- 1 To store the current speed or a higher speed
- ② To store the current speed or a lower speed
- ③ To deactivate DISTRONIC PLUS
- 4 Storing the current speed or calling up the last stored speed
- Setting the specified minimum distance

# Switching on DISTRONIC PLUS, storing and maintaining the current speed

#### Important safety notes

# **↑** WARNING

The vehicle can be braked when DISTRONIC PLUS is activated. For this reason, deactivate DISTRONIC PLUS if the vehicle is to be set in motion by other means (e.g. in a car wash or by towing).

In order to activate DISTRONIC PLUS, the following conditions must be fulfilled:

- the engine must be started. It may take up to two minutes after pulling away before DISTRONIC PLUS is operational.
- the parking brake must be released.
- ESP® must be active, but not intervening.
- the transmission must be in position **D**.
- the hood must be closed.
- the driver's door must be closed when you shift from P to D or your seat belt must be fastened.

- the front-passenger door and rear doors must be closed.
- · the vehicle must not skid.

# Activating while driving

When driving at speeds below 20 mph (30 km/h), you can only activate DISTRONIC PLUS if the vehicle in front has been detected and is shown in the multifunction display. If the vehicle in front is no longer detected and displayed, DISTRONIC PLUS switches off and a tone sounds.

- ▶ Briefly pull the cruise control lever towards you (4), or press it up (1) or down (2). DISTRONIC PLUS is selected.
- ▶ Press the cruise control lever repeatedly up (1) or down (2) until the desired speed
- ▶ Remove your foot from the accelerator pedal.
  - Your vehicle adapts its speed to that of the vehicle in front, but only up to the desired stored speed.
- If you do not fully release the accelerator pedal, the DISTRONIC PLUS Override message appears in the multifunction display. The set distance to a slowermoving vehicle in front will then not be maintained. You will be driving at the speed you determine by the position of the accelerator pedal.

# Activating when driving towards a stationary vehicle

If the vehicle in front of you is stationary, you can only activate DISTRONIC PLUS once your vehicle is stationary as well.

- ▶ Briefly pull the cruise control lever towards you (4), or press it up (1) or down (2). DISTRONIC PLUS is selected.
- DISTRONIC PLUS can only be activated at under 20 mph (30km/h) if a vehicle in front has been detected. Therefore, the DISTRONIC PLUS distance display in the

- instrument cluster should be activated (⊳ page 210).
- ▶ Press the cruise control lever repeatedly up (1) or down (2) until the desired speed is set.
- 1 You can use the cruise control lever to set the stored speed and the control on the cruise control lever to set the specified minimum distance (⊳ page 166).

#### Pulling away

- ▶ If the vehicle in front pulls away: remove your foot from the brake pedal.
- ▶ Briefly pull the cruise control lever towards you (4).

or

► Accelerate briefly. Your vehicle pulls away and adapts its speed to that of the vehicle in front.

#### Driving

If there is no vehicle in front, DISTRONIC PLUS operates in the same way as cruise control.

If DISTRONIC PLUS detects that the vehicle in front has slowed down, it brakes your vehicle. In this way, the distance you have selected is maintained.

If DISTRONIC PLUS detects that the vehicle in front is driving faster, it accelerates your vehicle, but only up to the speed you have stored.



# **↑** WARNING

If you depress the brake, DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated unless your vehicle is stationary. DISTRONIC PLUS then no longer brakes your vehicle. In such cases, control the distance from vehicles travelling in front with the brake alone. You could otherwise cause an accident and thereby injure yourself and others. The driver remains fully responsible for the vehicle's distance from other vehicles, the speed being driven and for braking in good time.

# **Changing lanes**

If you change to the passing lane, DISTRONIC PLUS supports you when:

- you are driving faster than 40mph (60 km/h).
- DISTRONIC PLUS is maintaining the distance to a vehicle in front.
- you switch on the appropriate turn signal.
- DISTRONIC PLUS does not detect a danger of collision.

If these conditions are fulfilled, your vehicle is accelerated. Acceleration will be interrupted if changing lanes takes too long or if the distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front becomes too small.

When changing lanes, DISTRONIC PLUS monitors the left lane on left-hand drive vehicles and the right lane on right-hand drive vehicles.

# / WARNING

DISTRONIC PLUS and Active Blind Spot Assist are only aids designed to assist driving.

They do not relieve you of the responsibility of paying attention. The driver remains fully responsible for the vehicle's distance from other vehicles, the vehicle's speed and for braking in good time. Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

# **Stopping**

#### **↑** WARNING

Never get out of the vehicle when DISTRONIC PLUS is activated.

DISTRONIC PLUS must also never be operated, activated or deactivated by a passenger or from outside the vehicle. DISTRONIC PLUS does not replace the parking brake and must not be used for parking.

The DISTRONIC PLUS braking effect is canceled and the vehicle can start moving if:

- DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated using the cruise control lever.
- vou accelerate.
- there is a malfunction in the system or an interruption in the power supply, e.g. battery failure.
- the electrical system in the engine compartment, the battery or the fuses are tampered with.
- the battery is disconnected.

If you wish to leave the vehicle or park it, deactivate DISTRONIC PLUS and secure the vehicle against rolling away.

If DISTRONIC PLUS detects that the vehicle in front is stopping, it brakes your vehicle until it is stationary.

Once your vehicle is stationary, it remains stationary and you do not need to depress the brake.

Depending on the specified minimum distance, your vehicle will come to a standstill at a sufficient distance behind the vehicle in front. The specified minimum distance is set using the control on the cruise control lever.

When DISTRONIC PLUS is activated, the transmission is shifted automatically to position P if:

- the driver's door is open and the driver's seat belt is unfastened.
- the engine is switched off.
- the hood is opened.
- a system malfunction occurs.
- the power supply is not sufficient.

#### Setting a speed



# **↑** WARNING

Keep in mind that it may take a brief moment until the vehicle has made the necessary adjustments.

Increase or decrease the set vehicle speed to a value that the prevailing road conditions and legal speed limits permit. Otherwise, sudden and unexpected acceleration or deceleration of the vehicle could cause an accident and/ or serious injury to you and others.

- ▶ Press the cruise control lever up (1) for a higher speed or down (2) for a lower speed.
- ► To adjust the speed in 1 mph increments (1 km/h increments): briefly press the cruise control lever up (1) or down (2) to the pressure point. The last speed stored is increased or decreased every time the cruise control lever is pushed up (1) or down (2).
- ▶ To adjust the speed in 5 mph increments (10 km/h increments): briefly press the cruise control lever up (1) or down (2) beyond the pressure point.

The last speed stored is increased or decreased every time the cruise control lever is pushed up (1) or down (2).

 DISTRONIC PLUS is not deactivated if you depress the accelerator pedal. If you accelerate to overtake, DISTRONIC PLUS adjusts the vehicle's speed to the last speed stored after you have finished overtaking.

# Storing the current speed or calling up a stored speed

# **⚠** WARNING

The set speed stored in memory should only be set again if prevailing road conditions and legal speed limits permit. Possible acceleration or deceleration differences arising from returning to the preset speed could cause an accident and/or serious injury to you and others.

- ▶ Briefly pull the cruise control lever towards you (4).
- ► Remove your foot from the accelerator pedal.

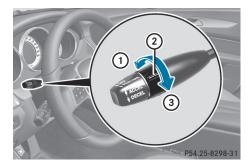
DISTRONIC PLUS is activated. The first time it is activated, the current speed is stored. Otherwise, it sets the vehicle cruise speed to the previously stored value.

# Setting the specified minimum distance

You can set the specified minimum distance for DISTRONIC PLUS by varying the time span between one and two seconds. With this function, you can set the minimum distance that DISTRONIC PLUS keeps to the vehicle in front, dependent on vehicle speed. You can see this distance in the multifunction display (⊳ page 167).

# / WARNING

It is up to the driver to exercise discretion to select the appropriate setting given road conditions, traffic, driver's preferred driving style and applicable laws and driving recommendations for safe following distance.



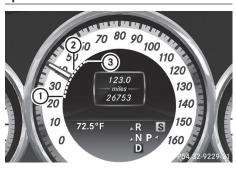
► To increase: turn control ② in direction ③.

DISTRONIC PLUS then maintains a greater distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front.

- ► To decrease: turn control ② in direction ①.

  DISTRONIC PLUS then maintains a shorter distance between your vehicle and the vehicle in front.
- Make sure that you maintain a sufficiently safe distance from the vehicle in front. Adjust the distance to the vehicle in front if necessary.

# DISTRONIC PLUS displays in the speedometer



When DISTRONIC PLUS is activated, one or two segments ② in the set speed range light up.

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If DISTRONIC PLUS detects a vehicle in front, segments ② between speed of the vehicle in front (1) and stored speed ③ light up.

# DISTRONIC PLUS displays in the multifunction display

#### General notes

You can select the distance display in the Assistance menu (▷ page 210) of the onboard computer.

# Display when DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated

► Select the Distance Display function using the on-board computer (> page 210).

When DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated, you will see the following in the multifunction display:



- ① Symbol for activated PRE-SAFE® Brake
- 2 Vehicle in front, if detected
- ③ Distance indicator, current distance to the vehicle in front
- 4 Specified minimum distance to the vehicle in front; adjustable
- (5) Own vehicle

# Display when DISTRONIC PLUS is activated

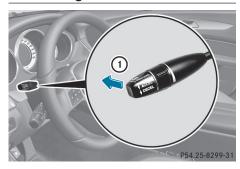
➤ Select the Distance display function using the on-board computer (> page 210).

You will see the stored speed for about five seconds when you activate DISTRONIC PLUS. After this time, you will see the following in the multifunction display while DISTRONIC PLUS is activated:



- ① DISTRONIC PLUS activated
- ② Own vehicle
- (3) Specified minimum distance to the vehicle in front; adjustable
- (4) Vehicle in front, if detected

### **Deactivating DISTRONIC PLUS**



There are several ways to deactivate DISTRONIC PLUS:

► Briefly press the cruise control lever forwards (1).

or

▶ Brake, unless the vehicle is stationary.

When you deactivate DISTRONIC PLUS, the DISTRONIC PLUS Off message is shown in the multifunction display for approximately

1 The last speed stored remains stored until you switch off the engine.

DISTRONIC PLUS is automatically deactivated if:

- you engage the parking brake.
- you are driving slower than 15 mph (25km/h) and there is no vehicle in front, or if the vehicle in front is no longer detected.
- ESP® intervenes or you deactivate ESP®.
- the transmission is in the P, R or N position.
- · you switch off the radar sensor system (⊳ page 215).
- you pull the cruise control lever towards you in order to pull away and the frontpassenger door or one of the rear doors is open.
- the vehicle has skidded.

If DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated, you will hear a warning tone. The DISTRONIC PLUS Off message is shown in the multifunction display for approximately five seconds.

# **↑** WARNING

DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated and releases the brakes if the vehicle is slowed down to a speed below 20 mph (30km/h) by the system, provided that DISTRONIC PLUS does not detect a vehicle directly in front. At this point, the driver must apply the brakes in order to slow down further and bring the vehicle to a standstill.

# Tips for driving with DISTRONIC PLUS

#### Important safety notes

The following contains descriptions of certain road and traffic conditions in which you must be particularly attentive. In such situations, brake if necessary. DISTRONIC PLUS is then deactivated.

# **↑** WARNING

The DISTRONIC PLUS works to maintain the speed selected by the driver unless a moving obstacle proceeding directly ahead of it in the same travel direction is detected (e.g.

following another vehicle ahead of you at your set distance).

This means that:

- Your vehicle can pass another vehicle after you have changed lanes.
- While in a sharp turn or if the preceding vehicle is in a sharp turn, the DISTRONIC PLUS could lose sight of the preceding vehicle. Your vehicle could then accelerate to the previously selected speed.

The DISTRONIC PLUS regulates only the distance between your vehicle and those directly ahead of it. It may not register stationary objects in the road, e.g.:

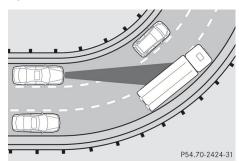
- a stopped vehicle in a traffic jam
- · a disabled vehicle
- an oncoming vehicle

The driver must always be alert, observe all traffic and intercede as required by means of steering or braking the vehicle.

# **⚠** WARNING

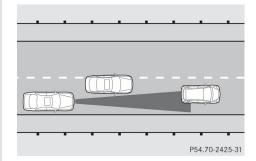
The DISTRONIC PLUS should not be used in snowy or icy road conditions.

# Cornering, going into and coming out of a bend



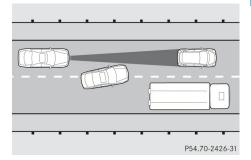
The ability of DISTRONIC PLUS to detect vehicles when cornering is limited. Your vehicle may brake unexpectedly or late.

#### Vehicles traveling on a different line



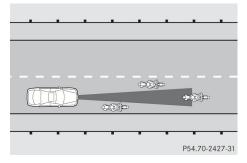
DISTRONIC PLUS may not detect vehicles traveling on a different line. The distance to the vehicle in front will be too short.

#### Other vehicles changing lane



DISTRONIC PLUS has not detected the vehicle cutting in yet. The distance to this vehicle will be too short.

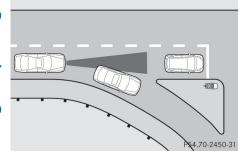
### Narrow vehicles



DISTRONIC PLUS has not yet detected the vehicle in front on the edge of the road,

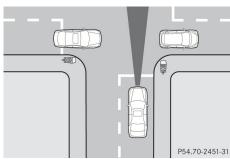
because of its narrow width. The distance to the vehicle in front will be too short.

#### Obstructions and stationary vehicles



DISTRONIC PLUS does not brake for obstacles or stationary vehicles. If, for example, the detected vehicle turns a corner and reveals an obstacle or stationary vehicle, DISTRONIC PLUS will not brake for these.

# **Crossing vehicles**



DISTRONIC PLUS may mistakenly detect vehicles that are crossing your lane. Activating DISTRONIC PLUS at traffic lights with crossing traffic, for example, could cause your vehicle to pull away unintentionally.

#### **HOLD function**

#### General notes

The HOLD function can assist the driver in the following situations:

- when pulling away, especially on steep
- when maneuvering on steep slopes
- · when waiting in traffic

The vehicle is kept stationary without the driver having to depress the brake pedal. The braking effect is canceled and the HOLD function deactivated when you depress the accelerator pedal to pull away.

#### **Activation conditions**

You can activate the HOLD function if:

- the vehicle is stationary.
- the engine is running.
- the driver's door is closed or your seat belt is fastened.
- the parking brake is released.
- the hood is closed.
- the transmission is in position **D**, **R** or **N**.
- DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated.

#### **Activating the HOLD function**

- ▶ Make sure that the activation conditions are met.
- ▶ Depress the brake pedal.
- ► Quickly depress the brake pedal further until HOLD appears in the multifunction display.

The HOLD function is activated. You can release the brake pedal.

1 If depressing the brake pedal the first time does not activate the HOLD function, wait briefly and then try again.



# **⚠ WARNING**

The vehicle's brakes are applied when the HOLD function is activated. For this reason. deactivate the HOLD function if the vehicle is to be set in motion by other means (e.g. in a car wash or by towing).

# **Deactivating the HOLD function**

The HOLD function is deactivated automatically if:

- you accelerate and the transmission is in position **D** or **R**.
- you shift the transmission to position **P**.
- you depress the brake pedal again with a certain amount of pressure until Hold disappears from the multifunction display.
- you activate DISTRONIC PLUS.

# **↑** WARNING

Never get out of the vehicle when the HOLD function is activated.

The HOLD function must never be operated or deactivated by a passenger or from outside the vehicle.

The HOLD function does not replace the parking brake and must not be used for parking.

The braking effect of the HOLD function is canceled and the vehicle could roll away if:

- the HOLD function is deactivated by depressing the accelerator pedal or the brake pedal.
- there is a malfunction in the system or an interruption in the power supply, e.g. battery failure.
- the electrical system in the engine compartment, the battery or the fuses are tampered with.
- the battery is disconnected.

If you leave the vehicle or park it, deactivate the HOLD function and secure the vehicle against rolling away. When the HOLD function is activated, the transmission is shifted automatically to position **P** if:

- the driver's door is open and the driver's seat belt is unfastened.
- the engine is switched off.
- the hood is opened.
- a system malfunction occurs.
- the power supply is not sufficient.

#### **RACE START**

### Important safety notes

RACE START is only available in AMG vehicles.

RACE START enables optimal acceleration from a standing start. The precondition for this is a suitable high-grip road surface.

# **↑** WARNING

RACE START is only available when SPORT handling mode is activated. SPORT handling mode only stabilizes the vehicle to a limited extent in the event of swerving or wheelspin. RACE START should only be used on specially designated roads. Always adapt your speed and driving style to the prevailing road and weather conditions.

#### Conditions for activation

RACE START can be activated when:

- the doors are closed.
- the engine is running and it has reached an operating temperature of approximately 176 °F (80 °C). This is the case when the engine oil temperature in the multifunction display stops flashing.
- SPORT handling mode is activated.
   (▷ page 67)
- the steering wheel is in the straight-ahead position.

- the vehicle is stationary and the brake pedal is depressed (left foot).
- the transmission is in position **D**.

# **Activating RACE START**

- ► Depress the brake pedal with your left foot, and keep it depressed.
- ➤ Turn the drive program selector clockwise (> page 145) until the **RS** lamp lights up. The multifunction display shows the RACE START Confirm: Paddle UP Cancel: Paddle DOWN message.
- If the activation conditions are no longer fulfilled, RACE START is canceled. The multifunction display shows the RACE START Canceled message.
- ➤ To cancel: pull the left steering wheel shift paddle (▷ page 146).

or

- ► To confirm: pull the right steering wheel shift paddle (> page 146). The multifunction display shows the RACE START Available Depress gas pedal message.
- If you do not depress the accelerator pedal fully within two seconds, RACE START is canceled. The multifunction display shows the RACE START Not Possible See Operator's Manual message.
- Depress the accelerator pedal fully.
   The engine speed increases to approximately 3500 rpm.
   The multifunction display shows the RACE

The multifunction display shows the RAC START Release brake to start message.

- i If you do not release the brake pedal within five seconds, RACE START is canceled. The multifunction display shows the RACE START Canceled message.
- ► Take your foot off the brake, but keep the accelerator pedal depressed.

  The vehicle pulls away at maximum acceleration.

The multifunction display shows the RACE START Active message.

RACE START is deactivated when the vehicle reaches a speed of approximately 30 mph (Canada: 50 km/h). Drive program **S+** is activated. SPORT handling mode remains activated.

RACE START is deactivated immediately if you release the accelerator pedal during RACE START or if any of the activation conditions are no longer fulfilled. The multifunction display shows the RACE START Not Possible See Operator's Manual message.

If RACE START is used repeatedly within a short period of time, it is only available again after the vehicle has been driven a certain distance.

#### **AIRMATIC**

#### Vehicle level

#### Important safety notes

Your vehicle regulates its height automatically. All-round level control ensures the best possible suspension and constant ground clearance, even with a laden vehicle. When you drive fast, the vehicle is lowered automatically to improve driving safety and to reduce fuel consumption.

The following vehicle levels are possible:

- Normal
- raised: the vehicle is raised by about 0.80 in (20 mm) when compared with the normal level
- lowered: the vehicle is lowered by about 0.40 in (10 mm) when compared with the normal level
- 1 These changes in level are so slight that you are hardly aware of them.

The "Normal" and "Raised" vehicle levels can be set manually.

The "Lowered" vehicle level is set automatically:

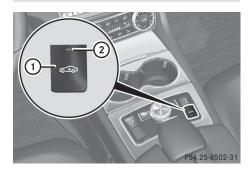
- at speeds above 70 mph (113 km/h)
- if you have selected "Sports tuning" (> page 173)

#### Setting the vehicle level

Select the "Normal" setting for normal road surfaces and "Raised" for driving with snow chains or on particularly poor road surfaces. Your selection remains stored even if you remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.

# **⚠ WARNING**

To help avoid personal injury, keep hands and feet away from wheel housing area, and stay away from under the vehicle when lowering the vehicle chassis.



#### Setting raised level

▶ Start the engine.

If indicator lamp (2) is not lit:

▶ Press button ①.

Indicator lamp ② lights up. The vehicle height is adjusted to raised level.

The Vehicle Rising message appears in the display.

The "Raised level" setting is canceled if you:

- drive at speeds above 75 mph (120 km/h)
- drive for about three minutes at speeds above 50 mph (80 km/h).

The "Raised level" remains active when you are not driving within these speed ranges.

# Setting the normal level

► Start the engine.

If indicator lamp (2) is lit:

▶ Press button ①. Indicator lamp ② goes out. The vehicle is adjusted to normal level.

## Suspension tuning

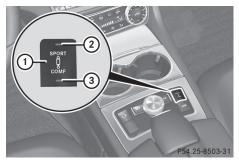
#### **General notes**

The electronically controlled damping system works continuously. This improves driving safety and ride comfort.

The damping is tuned individually to each wheel and depends on:

- your driving style, e.g. sporty
- the road surface condition, e.g. bumps
- your individual selection, i.e. sports or comfort

Your selection remains stored even if you remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.



#### Sports tuning

The firmer suspension tuning in Sport mode ensures even better contact with the road. Select this mode when employing a sporty driving style, e.g. on winding country roads.

Press button ①. Indicator lamp ② lights up. Sports suspension tuning is selected.

The AIRMATIC SPORT message appears in the multifunction display.

#### Comfort tuning

In Comfort mode, the driving characteristics of your vehicle are more comfortable. Therefore, select this mode if you favor a more comfortable driving style. Select comfort mode also when driving fast on straight roads, e.g. on straight stretches of freeway.

► Press button ①. Indicator lamp ③ lights up. Comfort tuning is selected.

The AIRMATIC COMFORT message appears in the multifunction display.

# AMG adaptive sport suspension system

#### General notes

 AMG adaptive sport suspension system is available for the CLS 63 AMG model.

#### Rear axle level control

The vehicle automatically sets the vehicle level at the rear axle. Rear axle level control ensures the best possible suspension and that the ground clearance remains constant even when the vehicle is loaded. This improves driving safety and fuel consumption.

# Suspension tuning

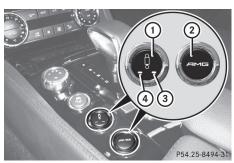
#### General notes

The electronically controlled damping system works continuously. This improves driving safety and ride comfort.

The damping is tuned individually to each wheel and depends on:

- your driving style, e.g. sporty
- the road surface condition, e.g. bumps
- your individual selection of Sport, Sport + or Comfort

If you select Sport or Sport + mode and restart the engine, the suspension setting reverts to Comfort mode.



#### Sport mode

The firmer suspension tuning in Sport mode ensures even better contact with the road. Select this mode when employing a sporty driving style, e.g. on winding country roads.

▶ Press button ① once. Indicator lamp ④ lights up. You have selected Sport mode.

The AMG Suspension System SPORT message appears in the multifunction display.

#### Sport + mode

The very firm setting of the suspension tuning in Sport + mode ensures the best possible contact with the road. Select this mode only when driving on race circuits.

If indicator lamps (3) and (4) are off:

► Press button ① twice. Indicator lamps ③ and ④ light up. You have selected Sport + mode.

The AMG Suspension System SPORT + message appears in the multifunction display.

If indicator lamp (4) lights up:

▶ Press button ① once. The second indicator lamp ③ lights up. You have selected Sport + mode. The AMG Suspension System SPORT + message appears in the multifunction display.

#### Comfort mode

In Comfort mode, the driving characteristics of your vehicle are more comfortable. Therefore, select this mode if you favor a more comfortable driving style. Select comfort mode also when driving fast on straight roads, e.g. on straight stretches of freeway.

▶ Press button (1) repeatedly until indicator lamps (3) and (4) go out. You have selected Comfort mode. The AMG Suspension System COMFORT message appears in the multifunction display.

# Storing and calling up settings

Once the suspension tuning and drive program have been selected, you can store and call up your settings using AMG button (2).

- ▶ To store: press AMG button ② until you hear a tone.
- ▶ To call up: press AMG button ②. The stored suspension tuning and drive program are selected.
- ▶ To display: briefly press AMG button ②. Your selection appears in the multifunction display.

### 4MATIC (permanent four-wheel drive)

4MATIC ensures that all four wheels are permanently driven. Together with ESP®, it improves the traction of your vehicle whenever a drive wheel spins due to insufficient grip.

#### **↑** WARNING

If a drive wheel is spinning due to insufficient traction:

- While driving off, apply as little throttle as possible.
- While driving, ease up on the accelerator pedal.
- Adapt your speed and driving style to the prevailing road conditions.

Failure to observe these guidelines could cause the vehicle to skid.

4MATIC cannot prevent accidents resulting from excessive speed.

- Never tow the vehicle with one axle raised. This may damage the transfer case. Damage of this sort is not covered by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty. All wheels must remain either on the ground or be fully raised. Observe the instructions for towing the vehicle with all wheels in full contact with the ground.
- 1 In wintry driving conditions, the maximum effect of 4MATIC can only be achieved if you use winter tires (M+S tires), with snow chains if necessary.

#### **PARKTRONIC**

#### Important safety notes



# **↑** WARNING

The PARKTRONIC is a supplemental system. It is not intended to, nor does it replace, the need for extreme care. The responsibility during parking and other critical maneuvers always remains with the driver.



# **↑** WARNING

Make sure no persons or animals are in or near the area in which you are parking/ maneuvering. Otherwise, they could be injured.

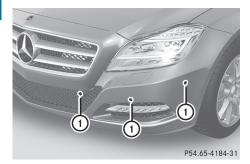
PARKTRONIC is an electronic parking aid with ultrasonic sensors. It indicates visually and audibly the distance between your vehicle and an object.

PARKTRONIC is activated automatically when you:

- · switch on the ignition
- $\bullet$  shift the transmission to position  $\textbf{D},\,\textbf{R}$  or N
- release the parking brake

PARKTRONIC is deactivated at speeds above 11 mph (18km/h). It is reactivated at lower speeds.

PARKTRONIC monitors the area around your vehicle using six sensors in the front and four sensors in the rear.

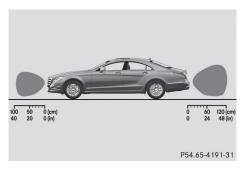


① Example: sensors in the front bumper, left-hand side

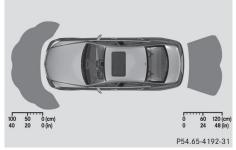
# Range of the sensors

#### **General notes**

The sensors must be free of dirt, ice and slush. Otherwise, they may not function correctly. Clean the sensors regularly, taking care not to scratch or damage them (> page 295).



Side view



Top view

#### Front sensors

Center	approximately 40in (approximately 100cm)
Corners	approximately 24in (approximately 60cm)

#### Rear sensors

Center	approximately 48in (approximately 120cm)
Corners	approximately 32in (approximately 80cm)

When parking, pay particular attention to objects above or below the sensors, such as flower pots or trailer drawbars.

PARKTRONIC does not detect such objects when they are in the immediate vicinity of the vehicle. You could damage the vehicle or the objects.

The sensors may not detect snow and other objects that absorb ultrasonic waves.

Ultrasonic sources such as an automatic car wash, the compressed-air brakes on a truck or a pneumatic drill could cause PARKTRONIC to malfunction.

PARKTRONIC may not function correctly on uneven terrain.

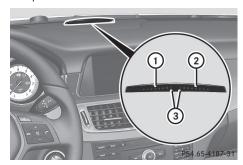
#### Minimum distance

Center	approximately 8in (approximately 20cm)
Corners	approximately 6in (approximately 15cm)

If there is an obstacle within this range, the relevant warning displays light up and a warning tone sounds. If the distance falls below the minimum, the distance may no longer be shown.

# Warning displays

The warning displays show the distance between the sensors and the obstacle. The warning display for the front area is located on the dashboard above the center air vents. The warning display for the rear area is located on the headliner in the rear compartment.



Warning display for the front area

- ① Segments on the left-hand side of the vehicle
- ② Segments on the right-hand side of the vehicle
- (3) Segments showing operational readiness

The warning display for each side of the vehicle is divided into five yellow and two red segments. PARKTRONIC is operational if yellow segments showing operational readiness (3) light up.

The selected transmission position and the direction in which the vehicle is rolling determine which warning display is active when the engine is running.

Transmission position	Warning display
D	Front area activated
<b>R</b> , <b>N</b> or the vehicle is rolling backwards	Rear and front areas activated
P	No areas activated

One or more segments light up as the vehicle approaches an obstacle, depending on the vehicle's distance from the obstacle.

#### From the:

- sixth segment onwards, you will hear an intermittent warning tone for approximately two seconds.
- seventh segment onwards, you will hear a warning tone for approximately two seconds. This indicates that you have now reached the minimum distance.

# Deactivating/activating PARKTRONIC



- 1 Indicator lamp
- ② To deactivate/activate PARKTRONIC

If indicator lamp ① lights up, PARKTRONIC is deactivated. Active Park Assist is then also deactivated.

1 PARKTRONIC is automatically activated when you turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.

### Problems with PARKTRONIC

### **Problem**

# Only the red segments in the PARKTRONIC warning displays are lit. You also hear a warning tone for approximately two seconds.

PARKTRONIC is deactivated after approximately 20 seconds, and the indicator lamp in the PARKTRONIC button lights up.

### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

PARKTRONIC has malfunctioned and has switched off.

► If problems persist, have PARKTRONIC checked at a qualified specialist workshop.

Only the red segments in the PARKTRONIC warning displays are lit. PARKTRONIC is deactivated after approximately 20 seconds.

The PARKTRONIC sensors are dirty or there is interference.

- ► Clean the PARKTRONIC sensors (> page 295).
- ► Switch the ignition back on.

The problem may be caused by an external source of radio or ultrasound waves.

▶ See if PARKTRONIC functions in a different location.

### **Active Parking Assist**

### Important safety notes

Active Parking Assist is an electronic parking aid with ultrasound. Ultrasound is used to measure the road on both sides of the vehicle. A suitable parking space is indicated by the parking symbol. Active steering intervention can assist you during parking. You may also use PARKTRONIC (▷ page 175). When PARKTRONIC is switched off, Active Parking Assist is also unavailable.

### **↑** WARNING

Active Parking Assist is merely an aid and may sometimes recommend parking spaces that are not suitable for parking. For example, these might be spaces where parking is prohibited, driveways, unsuitable surfaces, etc.

Active Parking Assist measures the parking space as you drive past it. Any later changes to the parking space are not taken into account. For instance, this may be the case when the vehicle parked in front of or behind the space changes its position or when an obstacle is moved into the parking space. Active Parking Assist does not relieve you of the responsibility of paying attention. If you rely solely on Active Parking Assist, you could cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

You are always responsible for safety and must continue to pay attention to your immediate surroundings when parking and maneuvering.

### **↑** WARNING

Objects located above the height range of Active Parking Assist will not be detected when the parking space is measured. These are not taken into account when the parking procedure is calculated, e.g. overhanging loads, tail sections or loading ramps of goods vehicles. In some circumstances, Active Parking Assist may therefore guide you into the parking space too early. This may lead to a collision. For this reason, you should avoid using Active Parking Assist in such situations.

### **↑** WARNING

The front of the vehicle will veer out in the direction of the oncoming traffic during the parking operation. In some cases, the vehicle will also take you onto sections of the oncoming lane during the parking procedure. You are responsible for safety at all times and must pay attention to any road users

must pay attention to any road users approaching or passing. Stop the vehicle if necessary or cancel the Active Parking Assist parking procedure.

### **↑** WARNING

Make sure no persons or animals are in or near the area in which you are parking/maneuvering. Otherwise, they could be injured.

Use Active Parking Assist for parking spaces:

- that are parallel to the direction of travel
- · that are on straight roads, not bends
- that are on the same level as the road, e.g. not on the pavement

### Parking tips:

- on narrow roads, drive past the parking space as close as possible.
- parking spaces that are littered, overgrown or partially occupied by trailer drawbars might be identified incorrectly or not at all.
- snowfall or heavy rain may lead to a parking space being measured inaccurately.

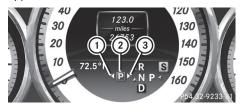
- pay attention to the PARKTRONIC
   (▷ page 177) warning messages during the parking procedure.
- you can intervene in the steering procedure to correct it at any time. Active Parking Assist will then be canceled.
- when transporting a load which protrudes from your vehicle, you should not use Active Parking Assist.
- when snow chains or an emergency spare wheel are installed, you should not use Active Parking Assist here either.
- make sure that the tire pressures are always correct. This has a direct influence on the parking characteristics of the vehicle.
- the way your vehicle is positioned in the parking space after parking is dependent on various factors. These include the position and shape of the vehicles parked in front and behind it and the conditions of the location. It may be the case that Active Parking Assist guides you too far into a parking space, or not far enough into it. In some cases, it may also lead you across or onto the curb. If necessary, you should abort the parking procedure with Active Parking Assist.
- you can also engage forward gear prematurely. The vehicle redirects and does not drive as far into the parking space. Should the gear change occur too soon to achieve a sensible parking position, the parking procedure will be aborted.
- If unavoidable, you should drive over obstacles such as curbs slowly and not at a sharp angle. Otherwise, you may damage the wheels or tires.

### Detecting a parking space

Active Parking Assist is switched on automatically when driving forwards. The system is operational at speeds of up to approximately 22 mph (35 km/h). While in operation, the system independently locates

and measures parking spaces on both sides of the vehicle. When driving at speeds below 19 mph (30 km/h), you will see the parking symbol as a status indicator in the instrument cluster. By default, Active Parking Assist only displays parking spaces on the front-passenger side. Parking spaces on the driver's side are displayed as soon as the turn signal on the driver's side is activated. To park on the driver's side, you must leave the driver's side turn signal switched on. This must remain switched on until you acknowledge the use of Active Parking Assist by pressing the OK button on the multifunction steering wheel.

When a parking space has been detected, an arrow towards the right or the left also appears.



Example: detected parking space

- 1) Detected parking space on the left
- ② Parking symbol
- 3 Detected parking space on the right

Active Parking Assist will only detect parking spaces:

- that are parallel to the direction of travel
- that are at least 59 in (1.5 m) wide
- that are at least 51 in (1.3 m) longer than your vehicle

A parking space is displayed while you are driving past it, and until you are approximately 50 ft (15 m) away from it.

### **Parking**

### **↑** WARNING

PARKTRONIC and Active Parking Assist are merely parking aids and may not detect all

obstacles. They do not relieve you of the responsibility of paying attention.

You are always responsible for safety and must continue to pay attention to your immediate surroundings when parking and maneuvering. You could otherwise endanger yourself and others.

- Stop the vehicle when the parking space symbol shows the desired parking space in the instrument cluster.
- ➤ Shift the transmission to position **R**.

  The Start Park Assist? Yes: OK No:

  message appears in the multifunction display.
- ➤ To cancel the procedure: press the

  button on the multifunction steering
  wheel or pull away.

or

► To park using Active Parking Assist: press the OK button on the multifunction steering wheel.

The Park Assist Active Accelerate and Brake Observe Surroundings message appears in the multifunction display.

### **↑** WARNING

When parking, you need to make sure that no obstacles are located in the vicinity of the vehicle during the entire operation. Active Parking Assist does not relieve you of the responsibility of paying attention. It merely aids you by intervening actively in the steering.

To stop the vehicle or avoid an accident you need to apply the brakes yourself.

- ▶ Let go of the multifunction steering wheel.
- ▶ Back up the vehicle, being ready to brake at all times. Drive at a speed of approximately 6 mph (10 km/h) or slower when backing up. Otherwise, Active Parking Assist will be deactivated.
- 1 In tight parking spaces, you will achieve the best parking results by backing up as

- far as possible. When doing so, also observe the PARKTRONIC messages.
- ▶ Stop as soon as PARKTRONIC sounds the continuous warning tone, if not before. Maneuvering may be required in tight parking spaces.

The Park Assist Active Select D Observe Surroundings message appears in the multifunction display.

▶ Shift the transmission to position **D** while the vehicle is stationary. Active Parking Assist immediately steers in the other direction.

The Park Assist Active Accelerate and Brake Observe Surroundings message appears in the multifunction display.

- 1 You will achieve the best results by waiting for the steering procedure to complete before pulling away.
- ▶ Drive forwards and be ready to brake at all times.
- ▶ Stop as soon as PARKTRONIC sounds the continuous warning tone, if not before.

The Park Assist active Select R Observe Surroundings message appears in the multifunction display.

► Further transmission shifts may be necessary.

As soon as the parking procedure is complete, the Park Assist Disabled message appears in the multifunction display. PARKTRONIC continues to be available.

- ► Maneuver if necessary.
- ► Always observe the warning messages displayed by PARKTRONIC (▷ page 177).

### **Canceling Active Parking Assist**

You can cancel Active Parking Assist at any time.

▶ Stop the movement of the multifunction steering wheel or steer yourself. Active Parking Assist will be canceled at once. The Park Assist Canceled message appears in the multifunction display.

or

▶ Press the PARKTRONIC button on the center console (⊳ page 177). PARKTRONIC is switched off and Active Parking Assist is immediately canceled. The Park Assist Canceled message appears in the multifunction display.

Active Parking Assist is canceled automatically if:

- the transmission is shifted too early.
- parking using Active Parking Assist is no longer possible.
- · you are driving faster than 6mph (10 km/h).
- a wheel spins, ESP® intervenes or fails. The warning lamp lights up in the instrument cluster.

A warning tone sounds. The parking space symbol disappears and the Park Assist Canceled message appears in the multifunction display.

When Active Parking Assist is canceled, you must steer again yourself.

### Rear view camera

### Important safety notes

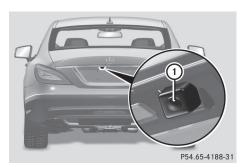
The rear view camera is an optical parking aid. It shows the area behind your vehicle in the COMAND display.



### ★ WARNING

Make sure that no persons or animals are in the maneuvering range. Otherwise, they could be injured.

The rear view camera is located in the handle strip of the trunk lid.



(1) Rear view camera

### View through the camera

The area behind the vehicle is displayed as a mirror image, as in the rear view mirror.

### **↑** WARNING

The rear view camera is only an aid and may display obstacles

- from a distorted perspective
- inaccurately
- may not display obstacles at all

The rear view camera does not relieve you of the responsibility to be cautious. Take care and pay careful attention. The rear view camera may not show objects which are

- very close to the rear bumper
- under the rear bumper
- · above the trunk handle

You are responsible for safety at all times and must continue to pay attention to the immediate surroundings when parking and maneuvering. This includes the area behind, in front of, and beside the vehicle. Otherwise you could endanger yourself and/or others.

### **MARNING**

The rear view camera will not function or will not fully function if:

- the trunk lid is open
- it is raining or snowing strongly or if it is foggy

- it is night or if you are parking/ maneuvering your vehicle in a very dark area
- a very bright white light is affecting the camera
- the immediate vicinity is illuminated with fluorescent light (the display of the COMAND system can flicker)
- temperature changes abruptly, for example if you drive out of the cold into a heated garage (condensation on the lens)
- the camera lens is dirty or covered
- the rear of your vehicle is damaged
   In this case, have the position and the
   setting of the camera checked at a
   specialist workshop. Mercedes-Benz
   recommends that you consult a Mercedes Benz Center for this purpose.

Do not use the rear view camera in these situations. You could otherwise injure yourself and other people and/or cause damage - including damage to your vehicle - while parking/maneuvering.

### Activating the rear view camera

- Make sure that the SmartKey is in position2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Make sure that the rear view camera function is selected in COMAND (see the separate operating instructions for COMAND).
- ► Engage reverse gear.

  The area behind the vehicle is shown in the COMAND display.

### **ATTENTION ASSIST**

### Important safety notes

ATTENTION ASSIST helps you during long, monotonous journeys such as on freeways and interstate highways. It is active in the range between 50 mph (80 km/h) and 112 mph (180 km/h).

If ATTENTION ASSIST detects typical indicators of fatigue or increasing lapses in concentration on the part of the driver, it suggests you take a break.

### **↑** WARNING

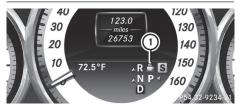
ATTENTION ASSIST is only an aid and may detect your tiredness or lapses in concentration too late or not at all. It is not a substitute for a well-rested and attentive driver.

Fatigue may cause you to recognize hazardous situations too late, misjudge a situation or react more slowly. For this reason, make sure you feel rested before you begin driving and during your journey. Make sure that you take regular breaks in time, particularly on long journeys. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

ATTENTION ASSIST assesses your level of fatigue or lapses in concentration by taking the following criteria into account:

- your personal driving style, e.g. steering characteristics
- · driving conditions, e.g. time, driving time The functionality of ATTENTION ASSIST is restricted and warnings may be delayed or not occur at all:
- if the road condition is poor, e.g. if the surface is uneven or if there are potholes
- if there is a strong side wind
- if you have adopted a sporty driving style with high cornering speeds or high rates of acceleration
- if you are predominantly driving slower than 50 mph (80 km/h) or faster than 112 mph (180 km/h)
- if you are currently using COMAND or making a telephone call with it
- if the time has been set incorrectly
- in active driving situations, such as when you change lanes or change your speed

### Warning and display messages in the multifunction display



► Activate ATTENTION ASSIST using the onboard computer (⊳ page 211). Symbol (1) appears in the multifunction display.

If ATTENTION ASSIST is active, you will be warned no sooner than 20 minutes after your journey has begun. You will then hear an intermittent warning tone twice, and the Attention Assist: Drowsiness Detected message appears in the multifunction display.

- ▶ If necessary, take a break.
- ▶ Press OK to confirm the message.

On long journeys, take regular breaks in good time to allow yourself to rest properly. If you do not take a break, you will be warned again after 15 minutes at the earliest. The precondition for this is that ATTENTION ASSIST still detects typical indicators of fatigue or increasing lapses in concentration.

ATTENTION ASSIST is reset when you continue your journey and starts assessing your tiredness again if:

- you switch off the engine.
- you take off your seat belt and open the driver's door, e.g. for a change of drivers or to take a break.

### **Night View Assist Plus**

### Important safety notes

In addition to the illumination provided by the normal headlamps, Night View Assist Plus uses infrared light to illuminate the road. The

Night View Assist Plus camera picks up the infrared light and displays a grayscale image in COMAND. The image displayed in COMAND corresponds to a road lit up by highbeam headlamps. This enables you to see the road's course and any obstacles in good time. If pedestrian recognition is activated, pedestrians recognized by the system are highlighted in the Night View Assist Plus display.

### **↑** WARNING

Night View Assist Plus is only an aid designed to assist driving. It is not a substitute for attentive driving. Do not rely solely on the Night View Assist Plus display. Continue to look through the windshield. You are responsible for safety and must drive in accordance with traffic conditions. You could otherwise put yourself and others in danger.

The system may be impaired or unavailable if:

- there is poor visibility, e.g. due to snow, rain, fog or heavy spray.
- the windshield is dirty, fogged up or covered, for instance by a sticker, in the vicinity of the camera.
- you are driving on bends, uphill gradients or downhill gradients.

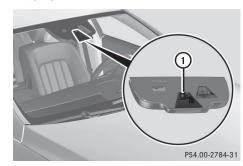
Light from the headlamps of oncoming vehicles does not affect the Night View Assist Plus display in the multifunction display. This is also the case if you cant switch on the highbeam headlamps due to oncoming traffic.

### **⚠ WARNING**

The Night View Assist Plus cannot record objects immediately in front of or next to the vehicle. When maneuvering, continue to look through the windshield. Make sure no persons or animals are in the area in which you are maneuvering. You could otherwise injure them.

1 Infrared light is not visible to the human eye and therefore does not glare. Night View Assist Plus can therefore remain

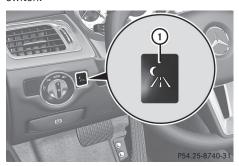
switched on even if there is oncoming traffic.



(1) Night View Assist Plus camera

### Switching on Night View Assist Plus

Depending on your vehicle's date of manufacture, the **A** or **AUTO** symbol for the "Automatic driving lights/daytime running lamps" position is located on the light switch.



You can only activate Night View Assist Plus

- the SmartKey is in position 2 in the ignition lock.
- it is dark.
- the light switch is set to either A, AUTO Or D.
- reverse gear has not been engaged.
- ▶ Make sure that COMAND is switched on.
- ▶ Press button ①.

The Night View Assist Plus display appears in the COMAND display.



- (1) Night View Assist Plus display
- ② Pedestrian recognized
- (3) Framing
- (4) Symbol for active pedestrian recognition

You can read about how to adjust the brightness of the COMAND display in the COMAND operating instructions.

1 The infrared lamps switch on automatically from a speed of about 6 mph (10 km/h). This means that you do not have the full visual range while the vehicle is stationary and cant check whether Night View Assist Plus is working.

### Pedestrian recognition

### **↑** WARNING

Pedestrian recognition may be impaired or inoperative if:

- pedestrians are partially or entirely obscured by objects, e.g. parked vehicles.
- the silhouette of the pedestrian in the Night View Assist Plus display is incomplete or interrupted, e.g. by powerful light reflections.
- pedestrians do not contrast with the surroundings.
- pedestrians are not standing upright, for example, if they are sitting, crouching or lying down.
- 1 Animals are not recognized by pedestrian recognition.

Night View Assist Plus is able to recognize pedestrians by typical characteristics, e.g. a silhouette in the shape of a person.

Pedestrian recognition is then switched on automatically if:

- · Night View Assist Plus is activated.
- you are driving faster than 6 mph (10 km/h).
- the surroundings are dark, e.g. when driving outside built-up areas without street lighting.

If pedestrian recognition is active, symbol 4 appears. If pedestrians are recognized, they are framed (3) and thereby highlighted. If the pedestrian recognition system has brought a pedestrian to your attention, look through the windshield to evaluate the situation. The actual distance to objects and pedestrians cant be gauged accurately by looking at a screen. It may be the case that objects are highlighted

### Fogged up or dirty windshield

If the windshield in front of the camera is fogged up or dirty on the inside or outside, the Night View Assist Plus display is affected.

### **↑** WARNING

as well as pedestrians.

Always remember that you must concentrate primarily on driving the vehicle. A driver's attention to the road must always be his/her primary focus when driving. For your safety and the safety of others: stop the vehicle before attempting to clean fogged up windows or the windshield area in front of the Night View Assist Plus camera.

Please remember that when your vehicle is traveling at a speed of only 30 mph (approximately 50 km/h) it covers a distance of 44 ft (approximately 14 m) per second.

- ➤ To defrost: check the automatic air conditioning settings (▷ page 128) and fold down the camera cover (▷ page 296).
- ► To defrost the inside of the windshield: fold down the camera cover (> page 296) and clean the windshield (> page 294).

### **Problems with Night View Assist Plus**

Problem	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
The picture quality of Night View Assist Plus has deteriorated.	The windshield wipers are smearing the windshield.  ▶ Replace the wiper blades (▷ page 116).
	The windshield is smeared after the vehicle has been cleaned in a car wash.  ▶ Clean the windshield (▷ page 294).
	There is windshield chip damage in the camera's field of vision.  ▶ Replace the windshield.
	The windshield is fogged up on the inside.  ▶ Defrost the windshield (▷ page 128).
	The windshield is iced up.  ▶ De-ice the windshield (▷ page 127).
	There is dirt on the inside of the windshield.  ▶ Clean the inside of the windshield (▷ page 294).

### Lane Tracking package

### General notes

The Lane Tracking package consists of Blind Spot Assist (⊳ page 188) and Lane Keeping Assist (⊳ page 190).

### **Blind Spot Assist**

### Important safety notes

Blind Spot Assist uses a radar sensor system to monitor the areas on both sides of your vehicle. It supports you from speeds of approximately 20 mph (30 km/h). A warning display in the exterior mirrors draws your attention to vehicles detected in the monitored area. If you then switch on the corresponding turn signal to change lane, you will also receive an optical and audible collision warning. Blind Spot Assist uses sensors in the rear bumper for monitoring purposes.

### **↑** WARNING

Blind Spot Assist is only an aid designed to assist driving. It may fail to detect some vehicles and is no substitute for attentive driving.

Blind Spot Assist cannot detect road and traffic conditions. It may fail to detect narrow vehicles, such as motorcycles or bicycles, or may only detect them too late.

Monitoring may be affected by dirty sensors, strong spray or poor visibility caused by snow, rain or mist, for example. In this case, vehicles are detected late or not at all.

Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.



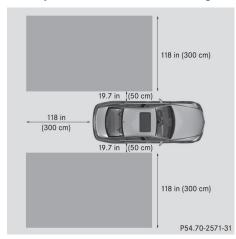
This device has been approved by the FCC as a "Vehicular Radar System". The radar sensor is intended for use in an automotive radar system only. Removal, tampering, or altering of the device will void any warranties, and is not permitted by the FCC. Do not tamper with, alter, or use in any non-approved way.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

For Blind Spot Assist to assist you when driving, the radar sensor system must be activated (> page 215) and operational.

### Monitoring range of the sensors

Active Blind Spot Assist monitors the area up to 10 ft (3 m) behind your vehicle and directly next to your vehicle, as shown in the diagram.



### **↑** WARNING

Blind Spot Assist monitors certain areas in the immediate vicinity of your vehicle. Vehicles that approach and drive past at high speeds are not detected. There is no display and no warning.

If the lanes are very wide, it may not be possible to monitor the complete width of the neighboring lane. For this reason, vehicles in the next lane may not be detected, especially if they are driving in a staggered formation. This may be the case if vehicles are driving at that edge of their lane which is furthest away from your vehicle.

Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

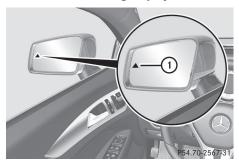
If the lanes are narrow, vehicles driving in the lane beyond the lane next to your vehicle may be indicated, especially if the vehicles are not driving in the middle of their lane. This may be the case if there are vehicles driving at the inner edge of their lanes.

Due to the nature of the system:

- warnings may be issued in error when driving close to crash barriers or similar solid lane borders.
- warnings may be interrupted when driving alongside long vehicles, for example trucks, for a prolonged time.

The two radar sensors for Blind Spot Assist are integrated into the sides of the rear bumper. Make sure that the bumper is free from dirt, ice or slush around the sensors. The sensors must not be covered, for example by cycle racks or overhanging loads. Following a severe impact or in the event of damage to the bumpers, have the function of the sensors checked at a qualified specialist workshop. Blind Spot Assist may otherwise not work properly.

### Indicator and warning display



① Yellow indicator lamp/red warning lamp

When Blind Spot Assist is activated, indicator lamp ① in the exterior mirrors lights up yellow at speeds of up to 20 mph(30 km/h). At speeds above 20 mph (30 km/h), the

indicator lamp goes out and Blind Spot Assist is operational.

If a vehicle is detected within the monitoring range of Blind Spot Assist at speeds above 20 mph (30km/h), warning lamp (1) on the corresponding side lights up red. This warning is always emitted when a vehicle enters the blind spot monitoring range from behind or from the side. When you overtake a vehicle, the warning only occurs if the difference in speed is less than 7 mph (12km/h).

The yellow indicator lamp goes out if reverse gear is engaged. In this event, Blind Spot Assist is no longer active.

The brightness of the indicator/warning lamps is adjusted automatically according to the ambient light.

### **↑** WARNING

Blind Spot Assist is not active at speeds below approximately 20 mph (30 km/h). The indicator lamps in the exterior mirrors are yellow. Vehicles in the monitoring range are then not indicated.

Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

### Collision warning

If a vehicle is detected in the monitoring range of Blind Spot Assist and you switch on the corresponding turn signal, a double warning tone sounds. Red warning lamp (1) flashes. If the turn signal remains on, detected vehicles are indicated by the flashing of red warning lamp 1. There are no further warning tones.

### **Switching on Blind Spot Assist**

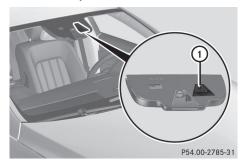
▶ Make sure that the radar sensor system (▷ page 215) and Blind Spot Assist

- (▷ page 211) are activated in the on-board computer.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock. Warning lamps (1) light up red in the exterior mirrors for approximately 1.5 seconds and then turn yellow.

### Lane Keeping Assist

### Important safety notes

Lane Keeping Assist monitors the area in front of your vehicle by means of a camera at the top of the windshield. Lane Keeping Assist detects lane markings on the road and warns you before you leave your lane unintentionally.



(1) Lane Keeping Assist camera

If you have chosen the Display unit Speed-/odometer(⊳ page 212) function in the on-board computer and select km as the unit of measurement, Lane Keeping Assist is active from speeds of 60 km/h. If the miles display unit is selected, the assistance range begins at 40 mph.

### **⚠** WARNING

Lane Keeping Assist does not keep your vehicle in its lane. It is only an aid and may detect the lane markings on the road incorrectly or not at all.

The system may be impaired or may not function if:

- there is poor visibility, e.g. due to insufficient illumination of the road, or due to snow, rain, fog or spray.
- there is glare, e.g. from oncoming traffic, the sun, or reflection from other vehicles.
- the windshield is dirty, fogged up or covered, for instance by a sticker, in the vicinity of the camera.
- several or no lane markings for a single lane are present.
- the lane markings are worn away, dark or covered up, e.g. by dirt or snow.
- the distance to the vehicle in front is too small and the lane markings thus cannot be detected.
- the lane markings on the road are unclear, e.g. near roadworks.
- the lane markings change quickly, e.g. lanes branch off, cross one another or merge.
- the road is narrow and winding.

Lane Keeping Assist cannot detect road and traffic conditions. It is not a substitute for attentive driving. You are responsible for the vehicle's speed, braking in good time, and steering correctly. Always adapt your driving style to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions. Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

A warning may be given if a front wheel passes over a lane marking. It will warn you by means of intermittent vibration in the steering wheel for up to 1.5 seconds.

In order that you are warned only when necessary and in good time if you cross the lane marking, the system recognizes certain conditions and warns you accordingly.

The warning vibration occurs earlier if:

- you approach the outer lane marking on a bend.
- the road has very wide lanes, e.g. a freeway.
- the system recognizes solid lane markings.
   The warning vibration occurs later if:
- the road has narrow lanes.
- you cut the corner on a bend.

No warning vibration occurs if:

- you clearly and actively steer, brake or accelerate.
- you cut the corner on a sharp bend.
- a driving safety system intervenes, e.g. ABS, BAS or ESP<sup>®</sup>.
- you switch on the turn signals. In this event, the warnings are suppressed for a certain period of time.

### Switching on Lane Keeping Assist



► Activate Lane Keeping Assist using the onboard computer (> page 211). Symbol ① appears in the multifunction display.

If your speed exceeds 40 mph (60 km/h) and lane markings are detected, symbol ① is highlighted in green. Lane Keeping Assist is ready for use.

### **Active Driving Assistance package**

### General notes

The Active Driving Assistance package consists of DISTRONIC PLUS (▷ page 160), Active Blind Spot Assist (▷ page 192) and Active Lane Keeping Assist (▷ page 194).

### **Active Blind Spot Assist**

### Important safety notes

Active Blind Spot Assist uses a radar sensor system to monitor the side areas of your vehicle which are in back of the driver. A warning display in the exterior mirrors draws your attention to vehicles detected in the monitored area. If you then switch on the corresponding turn signal to change lane, you will also receive an optical and audible collision warning. If a risk of lateral collision is detected, corrective braking may help you avoid a collision. To support the coursecorrecting brake application, Active Blind Spot Assist also uses the forward-facing radar sensor system. Active Blind Spot Assist supports you from a speed of approximately 20 mph (30 km/h).

### **↑** WARNING

Active Blind Spot Assist is only an aid, and may detect vehicles/obstacles incorrectly or not at all.

The system may be impaired or may not function if:

- there is poor visibility, e.g. due to snow, rain, fog or spray.
- the rear and/or front sensors are dirty.

Active Blind Spot Assist may not detect narrow vehicles, such as motorcycles or bicycles, or may only detect them too late. It cannot detect vehicles that are overtaken at a small distance and then enter the blind spot area.

Active Blind Spot Assist cannot detect road and traffic conditions. It is not a substitute for attentive driving. You are responsible for the vehicle's speed, braking in good time, and steering correctly. Always adapt your driving style to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions. Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

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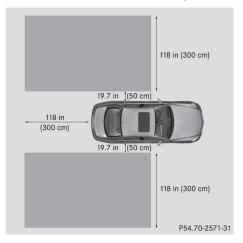
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Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

For Active Blind Spot Assist to assist you when driving, the radar sensor system must be activated (▷ page 215) and operational.

### Monitoring area

Active Blind Spot Assist monitors the area up to 10 ft (3 m) behind your vehicle and directly next to your vehicle, as shown in the diagram. For this purpose, Active Blind Spot Assist uses radar sensors in the rear bumper.



### **↑** WARNING

Active Blind Spot Assist monitors certain areas in the immediate vicinity of your vehicle. Vehicles that approach and drive past at high speeds are not detected. No visual nor audible warnings are emitted and the system does not brake the vehicle to correct your course.

If the lanes are very wide, it may not be possible to monitor the complete width of the neighboring lane. For this reason, vehicles in the next lane may not be detected, especially if they are driving in a staggered formation. This may be the case if vehicles are driving at that edge of their lane which is furthest away from your vehicle.

Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

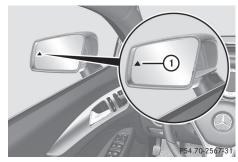
If the lanes are narrow, vehicles driving in the lane beyond the lane next to your vehicle may be indicated, especially if the vehicles are not driving in the middle of their lane. This may be the case if there are vehicles driving at the inner edge of their lanes.

Due to the nature of the system:

- warnings may be issued in error when driving close to crash barriers or similar solid lane borders.
- warnings may be interrupted when driving alongside long vehicles, for example trucks, for a prolonged time.

Two Active Blind Spot Assist radar sensors are integrated into the front and rear bumpers respectively. An additional radar sensor is located behind the cover in the radiator grill. Make sure that the sensors and areas around them are free of dirt, ice or slush. The rear sensors must not be covered, for example by cycle racks or overhanging cargo. Following a severe impact or in the event of damage to the bumpers, have the function of the sensors checked at a qualified specialist workshop. Blind Spot Assist may otherwise not work properly.

### Indicator and warning display



(1) Yellow indicator lamp/red warning lamp

When Active Blind Spot Assist is activated, indicator lamp (1) in the exterior mirrors lights up yellow at speeds of up to

20 mph(30 km/h). At speeds above 20 mph (30km/h), the indicator lamp goes out and Active Blind Spot Assist is operational.

If a vehicle is detected within the monitoring range of Blind Spot Assist at speeds above 20 mph (30km/h), warning lamp (1) on the corresponding side lights up red. This warning is always emitted when a vehicle enters the blind spot monitoring range from behind or from the side. When you overtake a vehicle, the warning only occurs if the difference in speed is less than 7 mph (12km/h).

The yellow indicator lamp goes out if reverse gear is engaged. In this event, Active Blind Spot Assist is no longer active.

The brightness of the indicator/warning lamps is adjusted automatically according to the ambient light.

### **↑** WARNING

Active Blind Spot Assist is not active at speeds below 20 mph (30km/h). The indicator lamps in the exterior mirrors are yellow. Vehicles in the monitoring range are then not indicated.

Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

### Visual and audible collision warnings

If a vehicle is detected in the side monitoring range and you switch on the respective turn signals, you will receive a collision warning. You will hear a double warning tone and red warning lamp ① flashes. If the turn signal remains on, vehicles detected are indicated by the flashing of red warning lamp ①. There are no further warning tones.

### Course-correcting brake application

If Active Blind Spot Assist detects a risk of a lateral collision in the monitoring range, a course-correcting brake application is carried out. This is meant to assist you in avoiding a collision.

The course-correcting brake application is available in the speed range between 20 mph (30 km/h) and 120 mph (200km/h).

If a course-correcting brake application occurs, red warning lamp ① flashes in the exterior mirror and the following is shown in the multifunction display, for example:



### **↑** WARNING

Active Blind Spot Assist is only an aid designed to assist driving. It is not a substitute for attentive driving. In some cases, the course-correcting brake application is not sufficient to avoid a collision. In such a case, you must steer, brake or accelerate.

In very rare cases, the system may erroneously detect a danger of collision in the area of crash barriers or similar lane borders and apply the brakes. Active Blind Spot Assist does not detect all traffic situations and road users. Always make sure that there is sufficient distance on the side for other traffic or obstacles. An inappropriate brake application may be interrupted at any time if

you steer slightly in the opposite direction or accelerate.

You are responsible for driving at appropriate speeds, braking in good time, and steering correctly. Always adapt your driving style to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions. Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

There will be either no or only a weak coursecorrecting brake application if:

- there are vehicles or obstacles, e.g. crash barriers, located on both sides of your vehicle.
- a vehicle approaches you too closely at the side.
- you have adopted a sporty driving style with high cornering speeds.
- you clearly brake or accelerate.
- a driving safety system intervenes, e.g. ESP® or PRE-SAFE® Brake.
- ESP<sup>®</sup> is switched off.
- a loss of tire pressure or a defective tire is detected.

### **Switching on Active Blind Spot Assist**

- ► Make sure that the radar sensor system (> page 215) and Active Blind Spot Assist (> page 211) are activated in the on-board computer.
- ➤ Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.

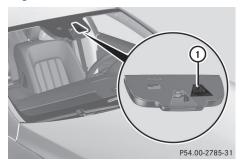
  Warning lamps ① light up red in the exterior mirrors for approximately

  1.5 seconds and then turn yellow.

### **Active Lane Keeping Assist**

### Important safety notes

Active Lane Keeping Assist monitors the area in front of your vehicle by means of a camera behind the top of the windshield. Active Lane Keeping Assist detects lane markings on the road and warns you before you leave your lane unintentionally. If you do not react to the warning, a lane-correcting application of the brakes can bring the vehicle back into the original lane.



1) Active Lane Keeping Assist camera

If you have selected the Display Unit Speed-/Odometer: (▷ page 212) function in the on-board computer and select km as the unit of measurement, Active Lane Keeping Assist is active from speeds of 60 km/h. If the miles display unit is selected, the assistance range begins at 40 mph.

### **↑** WARNING

Active Lane Keeping Assist does not keep your vehicle in its lane. It is only an aid and may detect the lane markings on the road incorrectly or not at all.

The system may be impaired or may not function if:

- several or no lane markings for a single lane are present.
- there is poor visibility, e.g. due to insufficient illumination of the road, or due to snow, rain, fog or spray.
- there is glare, e.g. from oncoming traffic, the sun, or reflection from other vehicles.
- the windshield is dirty, fogged up or covered, for instance by a sticker, in the vicinity of the camera.
- the lane markings are worn away, dark or covered up, e.g. by dirt or snow.

- the distance to the vehicle in front is too small and the lane markings thus cannot be detected.
- the lane markings on the road are unclear, e.g. near roadworks.
- the lane markings change quickly, e.g. lanes branch off, cross one another or merge.
- the road is narrow and winding.

Active Lane Keeping Assist cannot detect road and traffic conditions. It is not a substitute for attentive driving. You are responsible for the vehicle's speed, braking in good time, and steering correctly. Always adapt your driving style to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions. Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

### Warning vibration in the steering wheel

A warning may be given if a front wheel passes over a lane marking. It will warn you by means of intermittent vibration in the steering wheel for up to 1.5 seconds.

In order that you are warned only when necessary and in good time if you cross the lane marking, the system recognizes certain conditions and warns you accordingly.

The warning vibration occurs earlier if:

- you approach the outer lane marking on a bend.
- the road has very wide lanes, e.g. a freeway.
- the system recognizes solid lane markings.

The warning vibration occurs later if:

- · the road has narrow lanes.
- you cut the corner on a bend.

No warning vibration occurs if:

- you clearly and actively steer, brake or accelerate.
- you cut the corner on a sharp bend.

- a driving safety system intervenes, e.g. ABS, BAS or ESP<sup>®</sup>.
- you switch on the turn signals. In this event, the warnings are suppressed for a certain period of time.

### Lane-correcting brake application

If you leave your lane under certain circumstances the vehicle will brake briefly on one side. This is meant to assist you in bringing the vehicle back to the original lane.

This function is available in the range between

This function is available in the range betweer 40 mph and 120 mph (60 km/h and 200 km/h).

A lane-correcting brake application can only be made after driving over a solid, recognizable lane marking. Before this, a warning must be given by means of intermittent vibration in the steering wheel. In addition, a lane with lane markings on both sides must be recognized. The brake application also slightly reduces vehicle speed.

If a lane-correcting brake application occurs, the following, for example, appears in the multifunction display:



 A further lane-correcting brake application can only occur after your vehicle has returned to the original lane.

### **↑** WARNING

Active Lane Keeping Assist does not keep your vehicle in its lane. It is only an aid designed to assist driving. It is not a substitute for attentive driving. In some cases, the lane-correcting brake application is not sufficient to bring your vehicle back to the original lane. In such cases, you must steer the vehicle

yourself to ensure that it does not leave the lane.

Active Lane Keeping Assist does not detect road and traffic conditions. Always make sure that there is sufficient distance to the side for other traffic or obstacles. In rare cases, unclear markings or particular structures on the roadway can be recognized as solid lane markings. An inappropriate brake application, e.g. after intentionally driving over a solid lane marking, may be interrupted at any time by steering slightly in the opposite direction.

Active Lane Keeping Assist cannot take weather conditions into account.

You are responsible for the driving at appropriate speeds, braking in good time, and steering correctly. Always adapt your driving style to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions. Always pay attention to traffic conditions and your surroundings. Otherwise, you may fail to recognize dangers in time, cause an accident and injure yourself and others.

No lane-correcting brake application occurs if:

- you clearly and actively steer, brake or accelerate.
- you cut the corner on a sharp bend.
- · you switch on the turn signals.
- a driving safety system intervenes, e.g. ESP<sup>®</sup>, PRE-SAFE<sup>®</sup> Brake or Active Blind Spot Assist.
- you have adopted a sporty driving style with high cornering speeds or high rates of acceleration.
- ESP® is switched off.
- the transmission is not in position **D**.
- a loss of tire pressure or a defective tire has been detected and displayed.

Active Lane Keeping Assist does not detect traffic situations or road users. An inappropriate brake application may be interrupted at any time if you:

- steer slightly in the opposite direction.
- use a turn signal.
- clearly brake or accelerate.

A lane-correcting brake application is interrupted automatically if:

- a driving safety system intervenes, e.g. ESP<sup>®</sup>, PRE-SAFE<sup>®</sup> Brake or Active Blind Spot Assist.
- lane markings can no longer be recognized.

### **Switching on Active Lane Keeping Assist**



► Switch on Active Lane Keeping Assist using the on-board computer (> page 211). Symbol ① appears in the multifunction display.

If your speed exceeds 40 mph (60 km/h) and lane markings are detected, symbol ① is highlighted in green. Active Lane Keeping Assist is ready for use.

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### **Useful information**

- 1 This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

### Important safety notes

You will find an illustration of the instrument cluster in the "At a glance" section (⊳ page 29).

### **↑** WARNING

The driver's concentration must always be directed primarily at road traffic.

For your safety and the safety of others, selecting features through the multifunction steering wheel should only be done by the driver when traffic and road conditions permit it to be done safely.

Bear in mind that at a speed of only 30 mph (approximately 50 km/h), the vehicle covers a distance of 44 feet (approximately 14 m) per second.

### WARNING

No messages will be displayed if either the instrument cluster or the multifunction display is inoperative.

As a result, you will not be able to see information about your driving conditions, such as

- speed
- · outside temperature
- warning/indicator lamps

- malfunction/warning messages
- · failure of any systems

Driving characteristics may be impaired.

If you must continue to drive, do so with added caution. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center as soon as possible.

### **↑** WARNING

Malfunction and warning messages are only indicated for certain systems and are intentionally not very detailed. The malfunction and warning messages are simply a reminder with respect to the operation of certain systems. They do not replace the owner's and/or driver's responsibility to maintain the vehicle's operating safety. Have all required maintenance and safety checks performed on the vehicle. Bring the vehicle to an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center to address the malfunction and warning messages.

### Displays and operation

### coolant temperature display

### **⚠** WARNING

Driving when your engine is overheated can cause some fluids which may have leaked into the engine compartment to catch fire. You could be seriously burned.

Steam from an overheated engine can cause serious burns which can occur just by opening the engine hood. Stay away from the engine if you see or hear steam coming from it.

Stop the vehicle in a safe location away from other traffic. Turn off the engine, get out of the vehicle and do not stand near the vehicle until the engine has cooled down.

The coolant temperature gauge is in the instrument cluster on the left-hand side.

Under normal operating conditions and with the specified coolant level, the coolant temperature may rise to 248 °F (120 °C).

A display message is shown if the coolant temperature is too high.

If the coolant temperature is over 248 °F(120 °C), do not continue driving. The engine will otherwise be damaged.

### **Tachometer**

The red band in the tachometer indicates the engine's overrevving range.

Do not drive in the overrevving range, as this could damage the engine.

The fuel supply is interrupted to protect the engine when the red band is reached.

### Outside temperature display

The outside temperature display is in the multifunction display (⊳ page 202).

### **↑** WARNING

The outside temperature indicator is not designed to serve as an ice-warning device and is therefore unsuitable for that purpose. Indicated temperatures just above the freezing point do not guarantee that the road surface is free of ice. The road may still be icy, especially in wooded areas or on bridges.

Changes in the outside temperature are displayed after a short delay.

### Speedometer with segments

The segments in the speedometer indicate which speed range is available.

Cruise control (⊳ page 159) activated:

The segments light up from the stored speed to the maximum speed.

DISTRONIC PLUS (⊳ page 160) activated:

One or two segments in the set speed range light up.

DISTRONIC PLUS detects a vehicle in front:

The segments between the speed of the vehicle in front and the stored speed light up.

### Operating the on-board computer

### Overview

The on-board computer is activated as soon as you turn the SmartKey to position 1 in the ignition lock.

You can control the multifunction display and the settings in the on-board computer using the buttons on the multifunction steering wheel.



- (1) Multifunction display
- ② Right control panel
- (3) Switches on the Voice Control System; see the separate operating instructions
- (4) Back button
- (5) Left control panel

### Left control panel



• Calls up the menu and menu bar



### Press briefly:

- · Scrolls in lists
- Selects a submenu or function
- In the Audio menu: selects a stored station, an audio track or a video scene
- In the Te1 (telephone) menu: switches to the phone book and selects a name or telephone number



### Press and hold:



- In the Audio menu: selects the previous/next station or selects an audio track or a video scene using rapid scrolling
- In the Te1 (telephone) menu: starts rapid scrolling through the phone book



- Confirms a selection/display message
- In the Te1 (telephone) menu: switches to the telephone book and starts dialing the selected
- In the Audio menu: stops the station search function at the desired station

### Right control panel



- Rejects or ends a call
- Exits phone book/redial memory



- Makes or accepts a call
- Switches to the redial memory

• Adjusts the volume
• Mute

### **Back button**

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### Press briefly:

- Back
- Switches off the Voice Control System; see the separate operating instructions
- Hides display messages or calls up the last Trip menu function used
- Exits the telephone book/redial memory

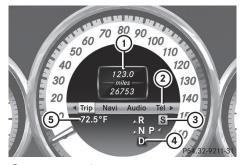


### Press and hold:

 Calls up the standard display in the Trip menu

### **Multifunction display**

Values and settings as well as display messages are shown in the multifunction display.



- 1 Description field
- (2) Menu bar
- 3 Drive program
- (4) Transmission position
- ⑤ Outside temperature or speed(▷ page 212)

► To show menu bar ②: press the or button on the steering wheel.

Further information on displaying the transmission position (⊳ page 142).

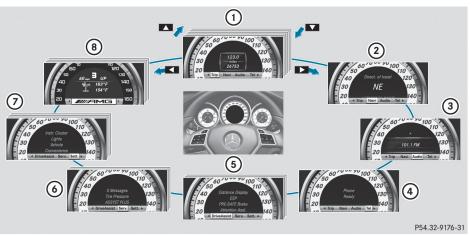
The following messages may appear in the multifunction display:

- ← P → Active Parking Assist (> page 179)
- Adaptive Highbeam Assist (▷ page 112)
- ATTENTION ASSIST (▷ page 183)
- Lane Keeping Assist (▷ page 190) or Active Lane Keeping Assist (▷ page 194)
- **HOLD** HOLD function (⊳ page 170)
- তা্র PRE-SAFE® Brake (⊳ page 69)

### Menus and submenus

### Menu overview

The number of menus shown depends on the optional equipment in the vehicle.



	Function
1	Trip menu (⊳ page 205)
2	Navi menu (navigation instructions) (⊳ page 206)
3	Audio menu (⊳ page 207)
4	Te1 menu (telephone) (⊳ page 208)
5	DriveAssist. menu (assistance) (> page 210)
6	<ul> <li>Serv. menu (▷ page 212)</li> <li>calls up display messages (▷ page 220)</li> <li>tire pressure loss warning system (Canada only) (▷ page 327)</li> <li>tire pressure monitor (▷ page 328)</li> <li>ASSYST PLUS service interval display (▷ page 290)</li> </ul>
7	Sett. menu (⊳ page 212)
8	AMG menu in AMG vehicles (⊳ page 216)

### Trip menu

### Standard display



▶ Press and hold the 뉰 button on the steering wheel until the ① menu with trip odometer 1 and odometer 2 is shown. ②

# Trip computer "From start" or "From reset"

The values in the From Start submenu are calculated from the start of a journey, while the values in the From Reset submenu are calculated from the last time the submenu was reset (> page 206).

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Trip menu.
- ► Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select From start or From reset.



Example: trip computer "From start"

- ① Distance
- ② Time
- 3 Average speed
- 4 Average fuel consumption

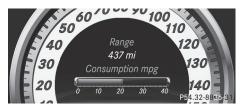
The From Start trip computer is reset automatically when:

- the ignition has been switched off for more than four hours.
- 999 hours have been exceeded.
- 9999 miles have been exceeded.

When 9,999 hours or 99,999 miles have been exceeded, the trip computer is automatically reset From Reset.

# Displaying the range and current fuel consumption

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Trip menu.
- ▶ Press the or button to select the current fuel consumption and the approximate range (except for AMG vehicles).



The approximate range that can be covered depends on the fuel level and your current driving style. If there is only a small amount of fuel left in the fuel tank, the display shows a vehicle being refueled instead of the range.

### Digital speedometer

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Trip menu.
- ▶ Press or to select the digital speedometer.



Digital speedometer

### Resetting values

You can reset the values of the following functions:

- · trip odometer
- trip computer "From start"
- trip computer "From reset"
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Trip menu.
- ► Press the or button to select the function that you wish to reset.
- ▶ Press OK .



Resetting the trip computer "From start" (example)

▶ Press ▼ to select Yes and press OK to confirm.

### Navigation system menu

### Displaying navigation instructions

In the Navi menu, the multifunction display shows navigation instructions. For more information, see the separate operating instructions.

- ➤ Switch on COMAND (see the separate operating instructions).
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Navi menu.

### Route guidance not active



- (1) Direction of travel
- ② Current street

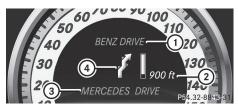
### Route guidance active

### No change of direction announced



- ① Distance to the destination
- 2 Distance to the next change of direction
- ③ Current street
- 4 Symbol "follow the road's course"

# Change of direction announced without a lane recommendation



- Road into which the change of direction leads
- ② Distance to change of direction and visual distance display
- ③ Current street
- 4 Symbol for change of direction

When a change of direction has been announced, you will see visual distance display (2) next to the symbol for change of

direction 4. This decreases in size as you approach the announced change of direction.

# Change of direction announced with a lane recommendation

Lane recommendations are only displayed if the relevant data is available on the digital map.



- Road into which the change of direction leads
- ② Distance to change of direction and visual distance display
- (3) Lane recommendation
- Symbol for change of direction

On multilane roads, lane recommendation

3 may be shown for the next change of direction. During the change of direction, additional lanes may be displayed.



Lane recommendation display (example)

- ① Uninterrupted lane
- 2 New lane during a change of direction

# Other status indicators of the navigation system

- 🏻 : you have reached the destination or an intermediate destination.
- New Route... or Calculating Route: a new route is being calculated.

- Off Map or Off Mapped Road: the vehicle position is outside the area of the digital map (off-map position).
- No Route: no route could be calculated to the selected destination.

### Audio menu

### Selecting a radio station

 SIRIUS XM satellite radio functions like a normal radio.

For more information on satellite radio operation, see the separate operating instructions.

- Switch on COMAND and select Radio (see the separate operating instructions).
- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Audio menu.



- ① Waveband
- ② Station<sup>16</sup>
- ► To select a stored station: briefly press the 🛕 or 🔻 button.
- ► To select a station from the station list: press and briefly hold the 
  or 
   button.
- ► To select a station using station search<sup>17</sup>: press and briefly hold the or ▼ button.

### Operating audio player or audio media

Audio data from various audio devices or media can be played, depending on the equipment installed in the vehicle.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> If the station has been stored, the memory position will also be displayed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Only if no station list is received.

- ► Switch on COMAND and select the audio device or medium (see the separate operating instructions).
- ► Press the or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Audio menu.



CD changer display (example)

- 1) Current title
- ► To select the next/previous track: briefly press the a or button.

If you press and hold the ▲ or ▼ button, the rapid scrolling speed is increased. Not all audio drives or data carriers support this function.

If track information is stored on the audio device or medium, the multifunction display will show the number and name of the track. The current track does not appear in audio AUX mode (**Aux**iliary audio mode: external audio source connected).

### Video DVD operation

- ► Switch on COMAND and select video DVD (see the separate operating instructions).
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Audio menu.



DVD changer display (example)

- ① Current scene
- ► To select the next or previous scene: briefly press the or button.

### Telephone menu

### Introduction

You can establish a Bluetooth® connection to COMAND (see the separate operating instructions).

### **↑** WARNING

The driver's attention to the road must always be his/her primary focus when driving. For your safety and the safety of others, we recommend that you pull over to a safe location and stop before placing or taking a telephone call. If you choose to use the telephone while driving, please use the handsfree device and only use the telephone when road, weather and traffic conditions permit. Some jurisdictions prohibit the driver from using a mobile phone while driving a vehicle. Bear in mind that at a speed of just 30 mph (approximately 50 km/h), your vehicle covers a distance of 44 feet (approximately 14 m) every second.

- ► Switch on the mobile phone and COMAND (see the separate operating instructions).
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Tel menu.

You will see one of the following display messages in the multifunction display:

- Telephone ready or the name of the network provider: the mobile phone has found a network and is ready to receive.
- Telephone No Service: no network is available, or the mobile phone is searching for a network.

### Accepting a call

If someone calls you when you are in the Tel menu, a display message appears in the multifunction display, for example:



► Press the button on the steering wheel to accept an incoming call.

If you are not in the Tel menu, you can still accept a call.

### Rejecting or ending a call

► Press the button on the steering wheel.

If you are not in the Te1 menu, you can still reject or end a call.

### Dialing a number from the phone book

If your mobile phone is able to receive calls, you can search for and dial a number from the phone book in COMAND.

- ► Copy the telephone book of the mobile phone to COMAND (see the separate operating instructions).
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Te1 menu.
- ► Press the ▲, ▼ or OK button to call up the phone book.

▶ Press the or button to select the desired name.

To start scrolling rapidly, press and hold the

▲ or ▼ button for longer than one second. After a short time, the rapid scroll speeds up.

Rapid scrolling stops when you release the button or reach the end of the list.

► If only one telephone number is stored for a name: press the or OK button to start dialing.

or

- ▶ If there is more than one number for a particular name: press the or OK button to display the numbers.
- ▶ Press the or button to select the number you want to dial.
- ► Press the or OK button to start dialing.

or

▶ If you do not want to make a call: press the or button.

### Redialing

The on-board computer saves the last names or numbers dialed in the redial memory.

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Tel menu.
- ► Press the button to switch to the redial memory.
- ▶ Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select the desired name or number.
- ► Press the or OK button to start dialing.

or

▶ If you do not want to make a call: press the or button.

### Assistance menu

### Introduction



In the DriveAssist menu, you have the following options:

- · showing the distance display
- activating/deactivating ESP<sup>®</sup>
- activating/deactivating PRE-SAFE<sup>®</sup> Brake
- activating/deactivating ATTENTION **ASSIST**
- activating/deactivating Blind Spot Assist or Active Blind Spot Assist
- activating/deactivating Lane Keeping Assist or Active Lane Keeping Assist

### Showing the distance display

This function is only available with DISTRONIC PLUS.

- ▶ Press the ◀ or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the DriveAssist menu.
- ▶ Press the 🛕 or 🔻 button to select Distance Display.
- ▶ Press OK .

The DISTRONIC PLUS distance display (⊳ page 167) appears in the multifunction display.

### Deactivating/activating ESP®

### **WARNING**

Under no circumstances should you deactivate ESP® when the [ ESP® warning lamp in the instrument cluster flashes. Proceed as follows:

- when driving off, apply as little throttle as possible.
- while driving, ease up on the accelerator pedal.
- · adapt your speed to suit the prevailing road and weather conditions.

Failure to observe these guidelines could cause the vehicle to skid. ESP® cannot prevent accidents resulting from excessive speed.

Activating/deactivating ESP® on AMG vehicles (⊳ page 67).

For further information about ESP®, see (⊳ page 65).

- ▶ Start the engine.
- ▶ Press or ▶ on the steering wheel to select the DriveAssist menu.
- ▶ Press the 🛕 or 🔻 button to select ESP.
- ► Press the OK button.
- ► To deactivate: press OK again. The swarning lamp in the instrument cluster comes on.

### ♠ WARNING

When the ESP® OFF warning lamp is lit, ESP® is deactivated.

If the ESP® warning lamp and the ESP® OFF warning lamp remain lit, ESP® is not available due to a malfunction.

When ESP® is deactivated or not operational, vehicle stability in standard driving maneuvers is reduced.

Adapt your speed and driving to the prevailing road conditions and to the non-operating status of the ESP®.

► To activate: press OK again.

The 🐉 warning lamp in the instrument cluster goes out.

# Activating/deactivating PRE-SAFE® Brake

PRE-SAFE® Brake is only available in vehicles with DISTRONIC PLUS.

- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the DriveAssist menu.
- ► Press ▲ or ▼ to select PRE-SAFE Brake.
- ▶ Press OK.
  The current selection is displayed.
- ► To activate/deactivate: press OK again.

When PRE-SAFE® Brake (▷ page 69) is activated, the multifunction display shows the □le symbol as long as the HOLD function is not activated (▷ page 170).

Vehicles with Active Parking Assist: if PARKTRONIC is activated and you are driving at a speed under 22 mph (35 km/h), the PActive Parking Assist symbol is shown instead of the step symbol.

# Activating/deactivating ATTENTION ASSIST

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the DriveAssist menu.
- ► Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select Attention Asst..
- ► Press OK.

  The current selection is displayed.
- ► To activate/deactivate: press OK again.

When ATTENTION ASSIST (▷ page 183) is activated, the ➡ symbol appears in the multifunction display when the ignition is on.

# activating/deactivating Blind Spot Assist

You can use the Blind Spot Asst. function to activate or deactivate Blind Spot Assist (▷ page 188) or Active Blind Spot Assist (▷ page 192).

- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the DriveAssist menu.
- ► Press or to select Blind Spot Asst..
- ► Press the OK button.
  The current selection is displayed.
- ► To activate/deactivate: press the OK button again.

# activating/deactivating Lane Keeping Assist

You can use the Lane Keep. Asst. function to activate/deactivate Lane Keeping Assist (▷ page 190) or Active Lane Keeping Assist (▷ page 194).

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the DriveAssist menu.
- ► Press or to select Lane Keep.
  Asst..
- ► Press the OK button.

  If the function is activated, the road markings are shown in red in the multifunction display.
- ► To activate/deactivate: press the OK button again.

When Lane Keeping Assist or Active Lane Keeping Assist is activated, the Asymbol appears in the multifunction display when the ignition is on.

### Service menu



In the Service menu, you have the following options:

- call up display messages (> page 220)
- restart the tire pressure loss warning system (Canada only) (> page 327)
- check the tire pressure electronically (> page 328)
- call up the service due date (▷ page 290)

### Settings menu

### Introduction



The Sett. menu can be used for:

- · changing the instrument cluster settings
- changing the light settings
- changing the vehicle settings
- changing the convenience settings
- restoring the factory settings

### Instrument cluster

# Selecting the unit of measurement for distance

The Display Unit Speed-/Odometer: function allows you to choose whether certain displays appear in kilometers or miles.

The selected unit of measurement for distance applies to:

- digital speedometers in the Trip menu
- odometer and the trip odometer
- Trip computer
- · current consumption and the range
- navigation instructions in the Navi menu
- DISTRONIC PLUS
- ASSYST PLUS service interval display
- ▶ Press the ◀ or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Inst. cluster submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Display unit Speed-/odometer function.

You will see the selected setting: km or miles.

▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

### Selecting the permanent display function

The Permanent Display: function allows you to choose whether the multifunction display always shows the outside temperature or the speed in km/h (USA) or mph (Canada).

- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Instr. cluster submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Permanent display function. You will see the selected setting Outside Temperature or Speedometer [km/h]:.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

### Lights

# Setting the brightness of the instrument cluster lighting and switches

- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Lights submenu.
- ► Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Brightness Display/Switches: function.

You will see the selected setting.

- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to adjust the brightness to any level from Level 1 to Level 5 (bright).
- ► Press the OK or 🛨 button to save the setting.

# Switching the daytime running lamps on/ off

This function is not available in Canada. If you have activated the Day Running Lights: function and the light switch is in the A or AUTO position, the daytime running lamps are switched on automatically when the engine is running.

Depending on the ambient light, the following will additionally light up:

- low-beam headlamps
- parking lamps
- tail lamps
- license plate lamp
- side marker lamps
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Light submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.

- Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Daytime running lights function. If the Daytime running lights have been switched on, the cone of light and the ※ symbol in the multifunction display are shown in red.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

### Switching Adaptive Highbeam Assist on/ off

- ▶ Press the ◀ or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Sett. menu.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Lights submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Adapt. Highbeam function.

  If the Adapt. Highbeam function has been switched on, the cone of light and the symbol in the multifunction display are shown in red.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

# Setting the brightness of the ambient lighting

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Lights submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select Amb. light +/-.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to adjust the brightness to any level from Off to Level 5 (bright).
- ► Press the OK or 🛨 button to save the setting.

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### Setting the ambient lighting color

- ► Press the ◀ or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Settings
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Light submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Amb. light col. function.
- ► Press the OK button to confirm.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to set the color to SOLAR, NEUTRAL or POLAR.
- ► Press the OK or 🛨 button to save the setting.

### Activating/deactivating surround lighting and exterior lighting delayed switch-off

If you have activated the Surround
Lighting function and the light switch is in
the A or AUTO position, the following
functions are active when it is dark:

- Surround lighting: the exterior lighting remains lit for 40 seconds after unlocking with the key. The exterior lighting switches off when you open the driver's door.
- Exterior lighting delayed switch-off: the exterior lighting remains lit for 60 seconds after the engine is switched off. If you close all the doors, the exterior lighting goes off after 15 seconds.

If you activate the Surround lighting function, the following light up depending on the vehicle's equipment:

- · parking lamps
- low-beam headlamps
- daytime running lamps
- side marker lamps
- surround lighting in the exterior mirrors
- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Sett. menu.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Lights submenu.

- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Surround Lighting function.

  When the Surround lighting function is activated, the light cone and the area around the vehicle are displayed in red in the multifunction display.
- ► Press the OK button to save the setting.

Deactivating delayed switch-off of the exterior lighting temporarily:

- ► Before leaving the vehicle, turn the SmartKey to position **0** in the ignition lock.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock and back to position 0.

  The exterior lighting delayed switch-off is deactivated.

Delayed switch-off of the exterior lighting is reactivated the next time you start the engine.

# Activating/deactivating the interior lighting delayed switch-off

If you activate the Light. delay function, the interior lighting remains on for 20seconds after you remove the key from the ignition lock.

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Light submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Interior lighting delay sw. off: function.

When the Light. delay function is activated, the vehicle interior is displayed in red in the multifunction display.

▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

#### Vehicle

### Activating/deactivating the automatic door locking mechanism

If you select the Auto. Door Locks function, the vehicle is centrally locked above a speed of around 9 mph (15km/h).

- **1** For further information on the automatic locking feature, see (▷ page 81).
- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Vehicle submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Auto. door lock function. When the Auto. door locks function is activated, the vehicle doors are displayed in red in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

## Activating/deactivating the acoustic locking verification signal

If you activate the Acoustic Lock function, an audible signal sounds depending on the vehicle's date of manufacture:

- when locking
   or
- once when unlocking and three times when locking
- ► Press the o or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Vehicle submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Acoustic Lock function.

  If the Acoustic Lock function is activated, the ⑤ symbol in the multifunction display lights up red.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

### Activating/deactivating the radar sensor system

The following systems are switched off when the radar sensor system is deactivated:

- DISTRONIC PLUS (> page 160)
- BAS PLUS (⊳ page 64)
- PRE-SAFE<sup>®</sup> Brake (⊳ page 69)
- Blind Spot Assist (> page 188)
- Active Blind Spot Assist (> page 192)
- ▶ Press the ◀ or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Sett. menu.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Vehicle submenu.
- ► Press OK to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select Radar Sensor (See Oper. Manual):. You will see the selected setting: Enabled or Disabled.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

#### Convenience

#### Activating/deactivating the EASY-ENTRY/EXIT feature

You can use the Easy Entry/Exit: function to activate or deactivate the EASY ENTRY/EXIT feature (> page 101).

#### **↑** WARNING

You must make sure no one can become trapped or injured by the moving steering wheel when the easy-entry/exit feature is activated.

To stop steering wheel movement, move steering wheel adjustment lever or press one of the memory position buttons.

Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. Children could open the driver's door and unintentionally activate the easy-entry/exit feature, which could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury.

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# ▶ Press the ◀ or ▶ button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.

- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Convenience submenu.
- ► Press the OK button to confirm.
- ▶ Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Easy Entry/Exit function. If the Easy Entry/Exit function is activated, the vehicle steering wheel is displayed in red in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

#### Switching the belt adjustment on/off

For further information on belt adjustment (> page 55).

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Convenience submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Belt Adjustment function.

  When the Belt adjustment function is activated, the vehicle seat belt is displayed in red in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

## Switching the fold-in mirrors when locking feature is on/off

This function is only available in Canada. If you switch on the Auto. Mirror Folding function, the exterior mirrors fold in when you lock the vehicle. If you unlock the vehicle and then open the driver's or front-passenger door, the exterior mirrors fold out again.

If you have switched the function on and you fold the exterior mirrors in using the button on the door (▷ page 103), they will not fold out automatically. The exterior mirrors can then only be folded out using the button on the door.

- Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Settings menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Convenience submenu.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Auto. fold in function.

  If the Auto. fold in function is activated, the vehicle's exterior mirror is displayed in red in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Press the OK button to save the setting.

#### Restoring the factory settings

For safety reasons, the Day Lights function in the Lights submenu is only reset when the vehicle is stationary.

- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Sett. menu.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select the Factory Setting submenu.
- ► Press the OK button to confirm.

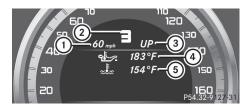
  The Reset All Settings? message appears.
- ► Press the ▼ or ▲ button to select No or Yes.
- ► Press the OK button to confirm the selection.

If you select Yes, the multifunction display shows a confirmation message.

#### AMG menu in AMG vehicles

#### AMG displays

► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the AMG menu.



- ① Digital speedometer
- ② Gear indicator
- ③ Upshift indicator
- 4 Engine oil temperature
- (5) Coolant temperature

Upshift indicator UP ③ indicates that the engine has reached the overrevving range when in the manual gearshift program. Upshift indicator UP ③ fades out other messages until you have shifted up.

When the engine oil temperature is below 80 °C, the oil temperature is shown in blue. Avoid driving at full engine output during this time.

#### **SETUP**

SETUP shows the drive program, the ESP® (Electronic Stability Program) mode and the SPORT handling mode.

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the AMG menu.
- ► Press the button repeatedly until SETUP is displayed.

or

► Briefly press the AMG button on the center console.



- ① Drive program (C/S/S+/M)
- ② ESP® mode (ON/OFF) or SPORT handling mode (SPORT)
- ③ Suspension tuning (COMFORT/SPORT/ SPORT+)

#### RACETIMER

#### Displaying and starting RACETIMER

#### **↑** WARNING

The RACETIMER feature is only for use on roads and in conditions where high speed driving is permitted. Racing on public roads is prohibited under all circumstances. The driver is and must always remain responsible for following posted speed limits.

You can use the RACETIMER to store lap times.

- ► Press or on the steering wheel to select the AMG menu.
- ▶ Press the ▲ button repeatedly until the RACETIMER is shown.
- if RACETIMER is selected, the menu bar cannot be called up with the and buttons.



- ① Lap
- ② RACETIMER

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You can start the RACETIMER when the engine is running or if the SmartKey is in position 2 in the ignition lock.

▶ To start: press the OK button to start the RACETIMER.

#### Displaying the intermediate time



- ▶ Press or to select Interm. Time.
- ▶ Press the OK button to confirm. The intermediate time is displayed for five seconds.

#### Starting a new lap

It is possible to store a maximum of sixteen laps.

► Press OK to confirm New Lap.



- ① RACETIMER
- ② Fastest lap time (best lap)
- 3 Lap

#### Stopping the RACETIMER

▶ Press the 🛨 button on the steering wheel.



► Press OK to confirm YES.

The RACETIMER interrupts timing when you stop the vehicle and turn the SmartKey to position 1 in the ignition lock. When you turn the SmartKey to position 2 or 3 and then press the OK to confirm Start, timing is continued.

#### Resetting the current lap

- ► Stop the RACETIMER.
- ▶ Press or to select Reset Lap.
- ▶ Press OK to reset the lap time to "0".

#### Deleting all laps

If you switch off the engine, the RACETIMER is reset to "0" after 30 seconds. All laps are deleted.

You cannot delete individual stored laps. If you have stopped 16 laps, the current lap does not have to be reset.

- ► Reset the current lap.
- ► Press OK to confirm Reset. Reset Race Timer? appears in the multifunction display.

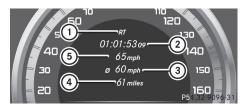


▶ Press the ▼ button to select Yes and press the OK button to confirm. All laps are deleted.

#### Overall statistics

This function is shown if you have stored at least one lap and stopped the RACETIMER.

- ▶ Press or ▶ on the steering wheel to select the AMG menu.
- ▶ Press the ▲ button repeatedly until the overall evaluation is shown.



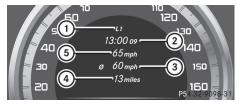
- 1) RACETIMER overall evaluation
- (2) Total time driven
- 3 Average speed
- 4 Distance covered
- 5 Top speed

#### Lap statistics

This function is only available if you have stored at least two laps and have stopped the RACETIMER.

- ► Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the AMG menu.
- ▶ Press the ▲ button repeatedly until the lap evaluation is shown.

Each lap is shown in a separate submenu. The fastest lap is indicated by flashing symbol ①.



- ① Lap
- ② Lap time
- 3 Average lap speed
- 4 Lap length
- (5) Top speed during lap
- ▶ Press the or button to select a different lap evaluation.

#### Display messages

#### **General notes**

#### **№ WARNING**

All categories of messages contain important information which should be taken note of and, where a malfunction is indicated, addressed as soon as possible at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

Failure to repair the condition noted may cause damage not covered by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty, or result in property damage or personal injury.

Display messages appear in the multifunction display.

Display messages with graphic displays may be shown in simplified form in the Operator's Manual and may differ from the messages shown in the multifunction display.

Please respond in accordance with the display messages and follow the additional notes in this Operator's Manual.

Certain display messages are accompanied by an audible warning tone or a continuous tone.

When you stop and park the vehicle, please observe the notes on the HOLD function ( $\triangleright$  page 170) and parking ( $\triangleright$  page 152).

#### Hiding display messages

You can hide some display messages with a low priority.

► Press the OK or button on the steering wheel to hide the display message. The display message is cleared.

Display messages with a high priority are shown in red.

You cannot hide display messages of the highest priority. The multifunction display shows these messages continuously until the causes for the messages have been remedied.

#### Message memory

The on-board computer saves certain display messages. You can call up the display messages in the **message memory**.

- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel and select the Serv. menu. If there are display messages, the multifunction display shows, for example, 2 messages.
- ▶ Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select the entry, e.g. 2 messages.
- ► Confirm with OK.
- ▶ Press the ▲ or ▼ button to scroll through the display messages.

When the ignition is switched off, all display messages are deleted, apart from some highpriority display messages. Once the causes of the high-priority display messages have been rectified, the corresponding display messages are also deleted.

#### Safety systems

#### Display messages



Currently Unavailable See Operator's Manual

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

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ABS (Anti-lock Braking System), ESP® (Electronic Stability Program), BAS (Brake Assist), PRE-SAFE®, the HOLD function and hill start assist are temporarily unavailable.

BAS PLUS and PRE-SAFE® Brake may also have failed.

In addition, the  $\P$ ,  $\P$  and  $\P$  warning lamps light up in the instrument cluster.

The self-diagnosis function might not be complete, for example. ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

► Carefully drive a short distance on a suitable stretch of road, making slight steering movements at a speed above 12 mph (20 km/h).

If the display message disappears, the functions mentioned above are available again.

If the display message continues to be displayed:

- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

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ABS, ESP®, BAS, PRE-SAFE®, the HOLD function and hill start assist are temporarily unavailable.

BAS PLUS and PRE-SAFE® Brake may also have failed.

In addition, the [\(\frac{1}{2}\)], \(\frac{1}{2}\), and \(\begin{array}{c}\) warning lamps light up in the instrument cluster.

For example, the on-board voltage may be insufficient.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

Drive on carefully. If the display message disappears, the functions mentioned above are available again.

If the display message continues to be displayed:

- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

#### Display messages





Inoperative See Operator's Manual

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions



#### Risk of accident

ABS, ESP®, BAS, PRE-SAFE®, the HOLD function and hill start assist are unavailable due to a malfunction.

BAS PLUS and PRE-SAFE® Brake may also have failed.

The BRAKE (USA only)/ (1) (Canada only), [ ], [ and warning lamps in the instrument cluster also light up.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately.



Inoperative See Operator's Manual

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ESP®, BAS, PRE-SAFE®, the HOLD function and hill start assist are unavailable due to a malfunction.

BAS PLUS and PRE-SAFE® Brake may also have failed.

In addition, the 📳 and 🐉 warning lamps light up in the instrument cluster.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above.

- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.



Inoperative See Operator's Manual

#### Risk of accident

EBD (electronic brake force distribution), ABS, ESP®, BAS, PRE-SAFE®, the HOLD function and hill start assist are unavailable due to a malfunction.

BAS PLUS and PRE-SAFE® Brake may also have failed.

In addition, the 🗐 , 🐉 and 📵 warning lamps light up in the instrument cluster and a warning tone sounds.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Brake Pad Wear	The brake pads/linings have reached their wear limit.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
(USA only) (Canada only) Please Release Parking Brake	You are driving with the parking brake applied. A warning tone also sounds.  ▶ Release the parking brake.
(USA only) (Canada only) Check Brake Fluid Level	Risk of accident  There is not enough brake fluid in the brake fluid reservoir.  Additionally, the red RAKE (USA only)/ ((Canada only))  warning lamp lights up in the instrument cluster and a warning tone sounds.  Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. Do not continue driving under any circumstances.  Apply the parking brake.  Consult a qualified specialist workshop.  Do not add brake fluid. This will not rectify the malfunction.

### **⚠ WARNING**

Driving with the message Check Brake Fluid Level displayed can result in an accident. Have your brake system checked immediately.

Do not add brake fluid before checking the brake system. Overfilling the brake fluid reservoir can result in spilling brake fluid on hot engine parts and the brake fluid catching fire. You can be seriously burned.

#### Display messages Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions USA only: one or more of the main functions in the mbrace system are malfunctioning. Tele Aid Canada only: one or more of the main functions of the TELEAID Inoperative system are malfunctioning. ▶ USA only: have the mbrace system checked at a qualified specialist workshop. ► Canada only: have the TELEAID system checked at a qualified specialist workshop. PRE-SAFE **↑** Risk of injury Inoperative See Important functions of PRE-SAFE® have failed. All other occupant Operator's Manual safety systems, e.g. air bags, remain available. ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately. PRE-SAFE Risk of accident Function Currently PRE-SAFE® Brake is temporarily inoperative. Possible causes are: Limited See Oper. • the DISTRONIC PLUS cover in the radiator grill is dirty. Manua 1 • function is impaired due to heavy rain or snow. • the sensors in the bumpers are dirty. • the radar sensor system is temporarily inoperative, e.g. due to electromagnetic radiation emitted by nearby TV or radio stations or other sources of electromagnetic radiation. • AMG vehicles: ESP® is deactivated. • the system is outside the operating temperature range. • the on-board voltage is too low. If the display message does not disappear: ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. ► Apply the parking brake. ▶ Clean the DISTRONIC PLUS cover in the radiator grill (⊳ page 295). ► Clean the bumpers (> page 295). ▶ Restart the engine. ► AMG vehicles: reactivate ESP®(> page 67). If the system detects that the sensors are fully operational, the

display message disappears.

PRE-SAFE® Brake is operational again.

#### Display messages Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions PRE-SAFE Functions Limited PRE-SAFE® Brake is defective. BAS PLUS or the distance warning See Operator's signal may also have failed. Manua<sub>1</sub> ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop. There is a malfunction in the SRS (Supplemental Restraint SRS Malfunction System). The ymarning lamp also lights up in the instrument Service Required cluster. ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop. **↑** Risk of injury SRS has malfunctioned at the front on the left or right. The Front Left warning lamp also lights up in the instrument cluster. Malfunction Service Required ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop. or Front Right **Malfunction** Service Required SRS has malfunctioned at the rear on the left or right. The Rear Left **Malfunction** warning lamp also lights up in the instrument cluster. Service Required ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop. or Rear Right Malfunction | Service Required Risk of injury There is a malfunction in the left-hand or right-hand window Left Side Curtain curtain air bag. Airbag Malfunction Service Required The warning lamp also lights up in the instrument cluster. or Right Side ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

#### **↑** WARNING

Curtain Airbag Malfunction Service Required

In the event a malfunction of the SRS is indicated as outlined above, the SRS may not be operational.

For your safety, we strongly recommend that you contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center immediately to have the system checked. Otherwise the SRS may not be activated when needed

in an accident, which could result in serious or fatal injury, or it might deploy unexpectedly and unnecessarily which could also result in injury.

#### Display messages

#### Front Passenger Airbag Enabled See Operator's Manual

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The front-passenger air bag and front-passenger knee bag are enabled during the journey, even though:

- a child, a small adult or an object weighing less than the system's weight threshold is located on the front-passenger seat
- the front-passenger seat is unoccupied.

The system may detect objects or forces applying additional weight on the seat.

- Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.
- ► Apply the parking brake.
- ► Switch the ignition off.
- ▶ Open the front-passenger door.
- Remove the child and the child restraint system from the frontpassenger seat.
- ▶ If necessary, secure the child in a child restraint system on a suitable rear seat.
- ► Make sure that there are no objects on the seat adding to the weight.

The system may otherwise detect the additional weight and interpret the seat occupant's weight as greater than it actually is.

► Keep the seat unoccupied, close the front-passenger door and switch on the ignition.

Observe the 🎇 [rest or] (> page 45) indicator lamp and the multifunction display and check the following:

Seat unoccupied and ignition switched on:

- the Front Passenger Airbag Enabled See Operator's Manual or Front Passenger Airbag Disabled See
   Operator's Manual display messages must not appear in the multifunction display. Wait for a period of at least 60 seconds until the necessary system checks have been completed and to make sure that the display messages do not appear in the multifunction display.

If these conditions are fulfilled, the front-passenger seat can be occupied again. Whether the indicator lamp remains lit or goes out depends on how OCS classifies the occupant.

If the conditions are not fulfilled, the system is not operating correctly.

#### Display messages

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately.

#### ♠ WARNING

If the [ [ ] indicator lamp remains off even after performing the above corrective steps, do not have any children twelve years old and under and other small individuals use the front-passenger seat until the system has been repaired.

#### Display messages

#### Front Passenger Airbag Disabled See Operator's Manual

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The front-passenger air bag and the front-passenger knee bag are deactivated during the journey even though an adult or a person larger than a certain size is occupying the front-passenger seat. If additional forces are applied to the seat, the system may interpret the occupant's weight as lower than it actually is.

- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.
- ► Apply the parking brake.
- ► Switch the ignition off.
- ▶ Have the occupant get out of the vehicle.
- Keep the seat unoccupied, close the front-passenger door and switch on the ignition.

Observe the 🎉 [□REST OFF] (▷ page 45) indicator lamp and the multifunction display and check the following:

Seat unoccupied and ignition switched on:

- the 🎇 indicator lamp must light up and remain lit. When the indicator lamp is on, OCS (▷ page 45) has deactivated the front-passenger air bag and front-passenger knee bag.
- the Front Passenger Airbag Enabled See Operator's Manual or Front Passenger Airbag Disabled See
   Operator's Manual display messages must not appear in the multifunction display. Wait for a period of at least 60 seconds until the necessary system checks have been completed and to make sure that the display messages do not appear in the multifunction display.

If these conditions are fulfilled, the front-passenger seat can be occupied again. Whether the  $\frak{3}{3}$  large indicator lamp remains lit or goes out depends on how OCS classifies the occupant.

If the conditions are not fulfilled, the system is not operating correctly.

▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately.

### **MARNING**

If the [12] indicator lamp remains lit with an adult occupant on the front-passenger seat even after performing the above corrective steps, do not have any passenger use the front-passenger seat until the system has been repaired.

### Lights

1 Display messages about LEDs:

This display message will only appear if all LEDs have failed.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Left Cornering Light or Check Right Cornering Light	The left or right-hand cornering light is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Left Low Beam or Check Right Low Beam	The left or right-hand low-beam headlamp is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Rear Left Turn Signal or Check Rear Right Turn Signal	The rear left-hand or rear right-hand turn signal is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Front Left Turn Signal or Check Front Right Turn Signal	The front left-hand or front right-hand turn signal is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Left Mirror Turn Signal or Check Right Mirror Turn Signal	The turn signal in the left-hand or right-hand exterior mirror is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Center Brake Lamp	The high-mounted brake lamp is faulty.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Left Tail and Brake Lamps or Check Right Tail and Brake Lamps	The left or right-hand tail lamp/brake lamp is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Left High Beam or Check Right High Beam	The left or right-hand high beam is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Front Left Parking Lamp or Check Front Right Parking Lamp	The front left or front right parking or standing lamp is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Left Reverse Lamp or Check Right Reverse Lamp	The left or right-hand backup lamp is defective.  ▶ Replace the bulb (▷ page 114). or  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Front Left Sidemarker Lamp or Check Front Right Sidemarker Lamp	The left or right front side marker lamp is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Rear Left Sidemarker Lamp or Check Rear Right Sidemarker Lamp	The rear left or right side marker lamp is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Left Daytime Running Light or Check Right Daytime Running Light	The left or right-hand daytime running lamp is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Active Headlamps Inoperative	The active light function is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Malfunction See Operator's Manual	The exterior lighting is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
AUTO Lamp Function Inoperative	The light sensor is defective.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Switch Off Lights	The lights are still switched on when you leave the vehicle. A warning tone also sounds.  Turn the light switch to  a or  auto.
Adaptive Highbeam Assist Inoperative	Adaptive Highbeam Assist is faulty.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Adaptive Highbeam Assist Currently Unavailable See Operator's Manual	Adaptive Highbeam Assist is deactivated and temporarily inoperative. Possible causes are:  • the windshield in the camera's field of vision is dirty.  • visibility is impaired due to heavy rain, snow or fog.  • Clean the windshield.  If the system detects that the camera is fully functional again, the Adaptive Highbeam Assist Now Available display message is shown.  Adaptive Highbeam Assist is operational again.

#### **Engine**

#### Display messages



Check Coolant Level See Operator's Manual

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The coolant level is too low.

- ► Add coolant, observing the warning notes when doing so (> page 288).
- ▶ If coolant needs to be added more often than usual, have the engine coolant system checked at a qualified specialist workshop.

#### **↑** WARNING

Do not spill antifreeze on hot engine parts. Antifreeze contains ethylene glycol which may burn if it comes into contact with hot engine parts. You could be seriously burned.

I The coolant level is too low. Avoid making long journeys with too little coolant in the cooling system. The engine will otherwise be damaged.

The display messages and the corresponding symbol that indicate that the coolant level is too low must not be ignored.

#### Display messages



Coolant Level Low Stop Vehicle Turn Engine Off

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The coolant is too hot.

- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely and switch off the engine, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.
- ► Make sure that the air supply to the engine radiator is not blocked, e.g. by snow, slush or ice.
- ► Wait until the display message disappears before restarting the engine. Otherwise, the engine could be damaged.
- ▶ Pay attention to the coolant temperature display.
- ▶ If the temperature increases again, visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately.

#### **↑** WARNING

Driving when your engine is overheated can cause some fluids which may have leaked into the engine compartment to catch fire. You could be seriously burned.

Steam from an overheated engine can cause serious burns which can occur just by opening the engine hood. Stay away from the engine if you see or hear steam coming from it.

Stop the vehicle in a safe location away from other traffic. Turn off the engine, get out of the vehicle and do not stand near the vehicle until the engine has cooled down.

If the coolant temperature is over 248 °F (120 °C), do not continue driving. The engine will otherwise be damaged.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
<u>≈€</u>	<ul> <li>The engine fan is defective.</li> <li>▶ At coolant temperatures under 248 °F(120 °C), drive to the next qualified specialist workshop.</li> <li>▶ Avoid subjecting the engine to heavy loads, e.g. driving in mountainous terrain, and stop-and-go traffic.</li> </ul>
-+	The battery is not being charged.  Possible causes are:  • a defective alternator  • a torn poly-V-belt  • a malfunction in the electronics  ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely and switch off the engine, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.  ▶ Open the hood.  ▶ Check whether the poly-V-belt is torn.  If the poly-V-belt is torn:  ■ Do not continue driving. The engine could otherwise overheat.  ▶ Consult a qualified specialist workshop.  If the poly-V-belt is not damaged:  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Check Engine Oil At Next Refueling	The engine oil level has dropped to the minimum level.  A warning tone also sounds.  Check the oil level when next refueling, at the latest (▷ page 287).  If necessary, add engine oil (▷ page 288).  Have the engine checked at a qualified specialist workshop if engine oil needs to be added more often than usual.

Information on approved engine oils can be obtained from any qualified specialist workshop or on the Internet at http://www.mbusa.com (USA only).

■ The oil level is too low. Avoid long journeys with too little engine oil. There is a risk of engine damage.

The display messages and the corresponding symbol that indicate that the oil level is too low must not be ignored.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Fuel Level Low	The fuel level has dropped into the reserve range.  ▶ Refuel at the nearest gas station.
	There is only a very small amount of fuel in the fuel tank.  ▶ Refuel at the nearest gas station without fail.
Gas Cap Loose	The fuel system pressure is too low. The fuel filler cap is not closed correctly or the fuel system is leaking.  ▶ Check that the fuel filler cap is correctly closed.
	If the fuel filler cap is not correctly closed:
	► Close the fuel filler cap.
	If the fuel filler cap is correctly closed:
	► Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

Driving systems	
Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Attention Assist: Drowsiness Detected	Based on specific criteria, ATTENTION ASSIST has determined that the driver is tired or paying less attention. A warning tone also sounds.  ▶ If necessary, take a break.  During long journeys, take regular breaks in good time so you get enough rest.
Attention Assist Inoperative	ATTENTION ASSIST has failed.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Vehicle Rising	Your vehicle is adjusting to the level you have selected.
Vehicle Rising Please Wait	The vehicle level is too low when the vehicle is stationary. A warning tone also sounds.  ▶ Do not pull away.  The vehicle level is set when the display message disappears.

#### Display messages Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions You have pulled away while the vehicle level is still too low. AIRMATIC sets the vehicle to the selected level after a short Pull Over Car Too period. Low ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. ► Apply the parking brake. ▶ Wait until the display message disappears before pulling away. AIRMATIC is defective. A warning tone also sounds. ▶ Do not drive faster than 50 mph (80km/h). ▶ Make only slight steering movements. Otherwise, the front fender or the tires could be damaged if the steering movement is too large. ► Listen for scraping sounds. ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely, paying attention to road and traffic conditions, and select a higher vehicle level. Depending on the malfunction, it may be possible to raise the vehicle. ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop. The AIRMATIC function is restricted. The vehicle's handling Malfunction 8 1 characteristics may be affected. ▶ Do not drive faster than 50 mph (80km/h). ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop. The HOLD function is deactivated. The vehicle is skidding. HOLD A warning tone also sounds. 0ff ▶ Reactivate the HOLD function later (▷ page 170). Radar Sensors The radar sensor system is deactivated. Deactivated See ▶ Switch on the radar sensor system (> page 215).

Operator's Manual

#### Display messages Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions Lane Keeping Assist or Active Lane Keeping Assist is deactivated Lane Keeping and temporarily inoperative. Possible causes are: Assist Currently Unavailable See • the windshield in the camera's field of vision is dirty. Operator's • visibility is impaired due to heavy rain, snow or fog. Manualor Active • there are no lane markings for a longer period. Lane Keeping • the lane markings are worn, dark or covered, e.g. by dirt or snow. Assist Currently Unavailable See If the display message does not disappear: Operator's Manual ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. ► Apply the parking brake. ► Clean the windshield. If the system detects that the camera is fully operational, the display message disappears. Lane Keeping Assist or Active Lane Keeping Assist is operational again. Lane Keeping Assist or Active Lane Keeping Assist is defective. Lane Keeping Assist ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop. Inoperativeor Activ e Lane Keeping Assist Inoperative

#### Display messages

#### Blind Spot Assist Currently Unavailable See Operator's Manualor Active Blind Spot Assist Currently Unavailable See Operator's Manual

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

Blind Spot Assist or Active Blind Spot Assist is temporarily inoperative. Possible causes are:

- the sensors are dirty.
- function is impaired due to heavy rain or snow.
- the radar sensor system is outside the operating temperature range.
- the radar sensor system is temporarily inoperative, e.g. due to electromagnetic radiation emitted by nearby TV or radio stations or other sources of electromagnetic radiation.

The yellow 
indicator lamps also light up in the exterior mirrors.

If the display message does not disappear:

- Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.
- ► Apply the parking brake.
- ► Clean the sensors (> page 295).
- ▶ Restart the engine.

If the system detects that the sensors are fully operational, the display message disappears.

Blind Spot Assist or Active Blind Spot Assist is operational again.

#### Blind Spot Assist Inoperativeor Activ e Blind Spot Assist Inoperative

Blind Spot Assist or Active Blind Spot Assist is defective.

The yellow indicator lamps also light up in the exterior mirrors.

▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

#### Park Assist Canceled

The driver's door is open and the driver's seat belt has not been fastened.

► Repeat the parking process with the seat belt fastened and the driver's door closed.

You have inadvertently touched the multifunction steering wheel while steering intervention was active.

► While steering intervention is active, make sure that the multifunction steering wheel is not touched unintentionally.

The vehicle has started to skid and ESP® has intervened.

▶ Use Active Parking Assist again later (> page 179).

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Park Assist Inoperative	You have just carried out a large number of turning or parking maneuvers.
	Active Parking Assist will become available again after approximately ten minutes (▷ page 179).
	<ul> <li>Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.</li> <li>Switch off and restart the engine.</li> </ul>
	If the display message continues to be displayed:
	► Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
	PARKTRONIC is defective.  ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Park Assist Finished	The vehicle is parked. A warning tone also sounds. The display message disappears automatically.
DISTRONIC PLUS Off	DISTRONIC PLUS has been deactivated (▷ page 160). If it was deactivated automatically, a warning tone also sounds.
DISTRONIC PLUS Now Available	DISTRONIC PLUS is operational again after having been temporarily unavailable. You can now reactivate DISTRONIC PLUS (> page 160).

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
DISTRONIC PLUS Currently Unavailable See Operator's Manual	DISTRONIC is deactivated and temporarily inoperative. Possible causes are:  • the DISTRONIC PLUS cover in the radiator grill is dirty.  • function is impaired due to heavy rain or snow.  • the sensors in the bumpers are dirty.  • the radar sensor system is temporarily inoperative, e.g. due to electromagnetic radiation emitted by nearby TV or radio stations or other sources of electromagnetic radiation.  • the system is outside the operating temperature range.  • the on-board voltage is too low.  A warning tone also sounds.  If the display message does not disappear:  ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.  ▶ Apply the parking brake.  ▶ Clean the DISTRONIC PLUS cover in the radiator grill (▷ page 295).  ▶ Clean the bumpers (▷ page 295).  ▶ Restart the engine.  If the system detects that the sensors are fully operational, the display message disappears.  DISTRONIC is operational again.
DISTRONIC PLUS Inoperative	DISTRONIC PLUS is defective. BAS PLUS (Brake Assist PLUS) and PRE-SAFE® Brake may be inoperative as well.  A warning tone also sounds.  Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
DISTRONIC PLUS Override	You have depressed the accelerator pedal. DISTRONIC PLUS is no longer controlling the speed of the vehicle.  ▶ Take your foot off the accelerator pedal.
DISTRONIC PLUS mph	An activation condition for DISTRONIC PLUS is not fulfilled.  ▶ Check the activation conditions for DISTRONIC PLUS (> page 160).

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Cruise Control Inoperative	Cruise control is defective.  A warning tone also sounds.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Cruise Control	A condition for activating cruise control has not been fulfilled. You have tried to store a speed below 20 mph (30 km/h), for example.
	► If conditions permit, drive faster than 20 mph (30 km/h) and store the speed.
	► Check the activation conditions for cruise control (> page 159).

#### **Tires**



Do not drive with a flat tire. A flat tire affects the ability to steer or brake the vehicle. You may lose control of the vehicle. Continued driving with a flat tire will cause excessive heat build-up and possibly a fire.

#### **↑** WARNING

Follow recommended tire inflation pressures.

Do not underinflate tires. Underinflated tires wear excessively and/or unevenly, adversely affect handling and fuel economy, and are more likely to fail from being overheated.

Do not overinflate tires. Overinflated tires can adversely affect handling and ride comfort, wear unevenly, increase stopping distance, and result in sudden deflation (blowout) because they are more likely to become punctured or damaged by road debris, potholes etc.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Tire Pressure Soon	<ul> <li></li></ul>
Check Tire Pressure Then Restart Run Flat Indicator	The tire pressure loss warning system generated a display message and has not been restarted since.  ▶ Set the correct tire pressure in all four tires.  ▶ Restart the tire pressure loss warning system (> page 327).
Run Flat Indicator Inoperative	The tire pressure loss warning system is faulty.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Tire pressures will be displayed after driving a few minutes	The tire pressure monitor is measuring the tire pressure.  ▶ Drive on.  The tire pressures appear in the multifunction display after you have been driving for a few minutes.
Tire Press. Monitor Inoperative	The tire pressure monitor is faulty.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Tire Press. Monitor Inoperative No Wheel Sensors	The wheels mounted do not have a suitable tire pressure sensor. The tire pressure monitor is deactivated.  ▶ Mount wheels with suitable tire pressure sensors.  The tire pressure monitor is activated automatically after driving for a few minutes.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Tires	<ul> <li></li></ul>
Caution Tire Malfunction	<ul> <li></li></ul>
Correct Tire Pressure	The tire pressure is too low in at least one of the tires, or the tire pressure difference between the wheels is too great.  ▶ Check the tire pressures at the next opportunity. If necessary, correct the tire pressure (▷ page 328).  ▶ Restart the tire pressure monitor (▷ page 331).
TirePress. Sensor(s)Missing	There is no signal from the tire pressure sensor of one or several wheels. The pressure of the affected tire is not displayed in the multifunction display.  ▶ Have the faulty tire pressure sensor replaced at a qualified specialist workshop.
Tire Press. Monitor Currently Unavail.	Due to a source of radio interference, no signals can be received from the wheel sensors. The tire pressure monitor is temporarily malfunctioning.  ▶ Drive on.  The tire pressure monitor restarts automatically as soon as the problem has been solved.
Tire Press. Warning Caution Tire Malfunction	<ul> <li></li></ul>

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Check Tire Pressure	<ul> <li></li></ul>
Correct Tire Pressure	The tire pressure is too low in at least one of the tires, or the tire pressure difference between the wheels is too great.  ▶ Check the tire pressures at the next opportunity. If necessary, correct the tire pressure (▷ page 328).

Vehicle	
Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Shift to 'P' or 'N' to Start Engine	You have attempted to start the engine with the transmission in position <b>R</b> or <b>D</b> .  ▶ Shift the transmission to position <b>P</b> or <b>N</b> .
Auxiliary Battery Malfunction	The auxiliary battery for the automatic transmission is no longer being charged.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Apply Brake to Shift from 'P'	You have attempted to move the transmission selector lever to position <b>D</b> , <b>R</b> or <b>N</b> without depressing the brake pedal.  ▶ Depress the brake pedal.
Door Open Vehicle Not in 'P'	The driver's door is open and the transmission is in position <b>R</b> , <b>N</b> or <b>D</b> .  A warning tone also sounds.  ▶ Shift the transmission to position <b>P</b> .  ▶ Apply the parking brake.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Service Required Do Not Shift Gears Visit Dealer	You cannot change the transmission position due to a malfunction.  A warning tone also sounds.  If transmission position <b>D</b> is selected:  ▶ Drive to a qualified specialist workshop without shifting the transmission from position <b>D</b> .  If transmission position <b>R</b> , <b>N</b> or <b>P</b> is selected:  ▶ Notify a qualified specialist workshop or breakdown service.
Only Shift to 'P' when Vehicle is Stationary	<ul> <li>The vehicle is moving.</li> <li>▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.</li> <li>▶ Shift the transmission to position P.</li> </ul>
	The trunk lid is open.  ▶ Close the trunk lid.
	<ul> <li></li></ul>
	At least one door is open.  ▶ Close all the doors.
Rear Left Backrest Not LatchedorRear Right Backrest Not Latched	<ul> <li></li></ul>
Lock Seat Backrest Front LeftorLock Seat Backrest Front Right	The driver's or front passenger's seat backrest is not engaged. A warning tone also sounds.  ▶ Push the backrest back until it engages.

Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Power Steering Malfunction See Operator's Manual	<ul> <li>Risk of accident</li> <li>The power steering is malfunctioning.</li> <li>You will need to use more force to steer.</li> <li>A warning tone also sounds.</li> <li>▶ Check whether you are able to apply the extra force required.</li> <li>▶ If you are able to steer safely: carefully drive on to a qualified specialist workshop.</li> <li>▶ If you are unable to steer safely: do not drive on. Contact the nearest qualified specialist workshop.</li> </ul>
Check Washer Fluid	The washer fluid level in the washer fluid reservoir has dropped below the minimum.  ▶ add washer fluid (▷ page 289).

SmartKey	
Display messages	Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions
Key Does Not Belong to Vehicle	You have put the wrong SmartKey in the ignition lock.  ▶ Use the correct SmartKey.
Take Your Key from Ignition	The SmartKey is in the ignition lock.  ▶ Remove the SmartKey.
Obtain a New Key	The SmartKey needs to be replaced.  ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.
Replace Key Battery	The batteries of the KEYLESS-GO key are discharged.  ▶ Change the batteries (> page 77).
Don't Forget Your Key	The display message is shown for a maximum of 60 seconds and is only a reminder.  You have opened the driver's door with the engine switched off. The KEYLESS-GO key is not in the ignition lock.  ▶ Remember to take the KEYLESS-GO key with you when you leave the vehicle.

Close Doors to Lock Vehicle

#### Display messages Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions The KEYLESS-GO key is not in the vehicle. A warning tone also sounds. Key Not If the engine is switched off, you can no longer lock the vehicle Detected (red display centrally or start the engine. message) ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. ► Apply the parking brake. ► Locate the KEYLESS-GO key. The KEYLESS-GO key is not detected while the engine is running because there is interference from a strong source of radio waves. A warning tone also sounds. ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. ► Apply the parking brake. ▶ Operate the vehicle with the SmartKey in the ignition lock. The KEYLESS-GO key cannot be detected at present. ▶ Change the location of the key with the KEYLESS-GO functions Key Not in the vehicle. Detected(White If the KEYLESS-GO key is still not detected: display message) ▶ Operate the vehicle with the SmartKey in the ignition lock. The KEYLESS-GO key has been detected inside the vehicle during locking. Key Detect'd In ▶ Remove the KEYLESS-GO key from the vehicle. Vehicle KEYLESS-GO is temporarily malfunctioning or is defective. A warning tone also sounds. Remove 'Start' ▶ Insert the SmartKey into the ignition lock and turn it to the Button and Insert desired position. Kev ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop. At least one door is open. A warning tone also sounds.

▶ Close all doors and lock the vehicle again.

#### Warning and indicator lamps in the instrument cluster

#### Seat belts

### Problem

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

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After starting the engine, the red seat belt warning lamp lights up for six seconds.

The seat belt warning lamp reminds the driver and front passenger to fasten their seat belts.

► Fasten your seat belt (> page 52).



After starting the engine, the red seat belt warning lamp lights up. In addition, a warning tone sounds for up to six seconds.

#### **↑** Risk of injury

The driver's seat belt is not fastened.

► Fasten your seat belt (> page 52). The warning tone ceases.



The red seat belt warning lamp lights up after the engine starts, as soon as the driver's or the front-passenger door is closed.

#### **↑** Risk of injury

The driver or front passenger has not fastened their seat belt.

► Fasten your seat belt (> page 52). The warning lamp goes out.

#### **⚠** Risk of injury

There are objects on the front-passenger seat.

► Remove the objects from the front-passenger seat and stow them in a secure place.

The warning lamp goes out.

#### Problem



The red seat belt warning lamp flashes and an intermittent audible warning sounds.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions



#### Risk of injury

The driver or front passenger has not fastened their seat belt. In addition, you are driving faster than 15 mph (25 km/h) or you have briefly driven faster than 15 mph (25 km/h).

► Fasten your seat belt (> page 52). The warning lamp goes out and the intermittent warning tone ceases.

#### ♠ Risk of injury

There are objects on the front-passenger seat. In addition, you are driving faster than 15 mph (25 km/h) or you have briefly driven faster than 15 mph (25 km/h).

► Remove the objects from the front-passenger seat and stow them in a secure place.

The warning lamp goes out and the intermittent warning tone ceases.

#### Safety systems

#### Problem

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The red brake system warning lamp comes on while the engine is running. A warning tone also sounds.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

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The brake boosting effect is malfunctioning and the braking characteristics may be affected.

- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. Do not continue driving under any circumstances.
- ► Apply the parking brake.
- ► Consult a qualified specialist workshop.
- Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.

#### BRAKE (USA only)

(Canada only)

The red brake system warning lamp comes on while the engine is running. A warning tone also sounds.

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There is not enough brake fluid in the brake fluid reservoir.

- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely as soon as possible, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. Do not continue driving under any circumstances.
- ► Apply the parking brake.
- ► Consult a qualified specialist workshop immediately.
- ► Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.

Do not add brake fluid. This will not rectify the malfunction.

#### **↑** WARNING

Driving with the brake warning lamp illuminated can result in an accident. Have your brake system checked immediately if the brake warning lamp stays on. Do not add brake fluid before checking the brake system.

Overfilling the brake fluid reservoir can result in spilling brake fluid on hot engine parts and the brake fluid catching fire. You can be seriously burned.

#### **Problem**



The yellow ABS warning lamp is lit while the engine is running.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions



#### Risk of accident

ABS (Anti-lock Brake System) is deactivated due to a malfunction. BAS (Brake Assist), BAS PLUS, ESP® (Electronic Stability Program), PRE-SAFE®, PRE-SAFE® Brake, the HOLD function and hill start assist are therefore also deactivated, for example.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.



The yellow ABS warning lamp is lit while the engine is running.

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ABS is temporarily unavailable. BAS, BAS PLUS, ESP®, EBD (electronic brake force distribution), PRE-SAFE®,

PRE-SAFE® Brake, the HOLD function, hill start assist are therefore also deactivated, for example.

Self-diagnosis is not yet complete or the on-board voltage may be insufficient, for example.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

► Carefully drive a short distance on a suitable stretch of road, making slight steering movements at a speed above 12 mph

The functions mentioned above are available again when the warning lamp goes out.

If the warning lamp is still on:

- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop.



The yellow ABS warning lamp is lit while the engine is running. A warning tone also sounds.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

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EBD is faulty. Therefore, ABS, BAS, BAS PLUS, ESP®, PRE-SAFE® PRE-SAFE® Brake, the HOLD function and hill start assist are also unavailable, for example.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.





The red brake warning lamp, the yellow ESP® and ESP® OFF warning lamps and the yellow ABS warning lamp are lit while the engine is running.

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ABS and ESP® are faulty. Therefore, BAS, BAS PLUS, EBD, PRE-SAFE®, PRE-SAFE® Brake, the HOLD function and hill start assist, for example, are not available either.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above. The wheels could therefore lock if you brake hard, for example.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.



The yellow ESP® warning lamp flashes while the vehicle is in motion.

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ESP® or traction control has intervened because there is a risk of skidding or at least one wheel has started to spin.

Cruise control or DISTRONIC PLUS is deactivated.

- ▶ When pulling away, only depress the accelerator pedal as far as necessary.
- ► Ease off the accelerator pedal while the vehicle is in motion.
- ▶ Adapt your driving style to suit the road and weather conditions.
- ▶ Do not deactivate ESP®.

For exceptions: ( $\triangleright$  page 65).



The vellow ESP® OFF warning lamp is lit while the engine is running.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions



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ESP® is deactivated. ESP® will not stabilize the vehicle if it starts to skid or if a wheel starts to spin.

► Reactivate ESP®.

For exceptions: (⊳ page 65).

▶ Adapt your driving style to suit the road and weather conditions.

If ESP® cannot be activated:

► Have ESP<sup>®</sup> checked at a qualified specialist workshop.



AMG vehicles only: The vellow SPORT handling mode warning lamp is lit while the engine is running.

### Risk of accident

SPORT handling mode is activated. ESP® only stabilizes the vehicle in extreme situations. ESP® intervention may not be able to provide sufficient assistance in such situations and the vehicle may start to skid.

► Reactivate ESP®.

Exceptions: (⊳ page 65).

If ESP® cannot be activated:

► Have ESP® checked at a qualified specialist workshop.



The yellow ESP® and ESP® OFF warning lamps are lit while the engine is running.

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ESP®, BAS, BAS PLUS, PRE-SAFE®, PRE-SAFE® Brake, the HOLD function and hill start assist are not available due to a malfunction. ESP® will not stabilize the vehicle if it starts to skid or if a wheel starts to spin.

The brake system continues to function normally, but without the functions listed above.

ATTENTION ASSIST is deactivated.

- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ► Visit a qualified specialist workshop.

### BRAKE (USA only)

The red brake system warning lamp comes on while the vehicle is moving. A warning tone also sounds.

(Canada only)

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

You are driving with the parking brake applied.

Release the parking brake.
The warning lamp goes out and the warning tone ceases.

### **%**

The red SRS warning lamp is lit while the engine is running.

#### Risk of injury

The restraint systems are malfunctioning. The air bags or ETDs may either be triggered unintentionally or, in the event of an accident, not be triggered at all.

- ▶ Drive on carefully.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately.

### **↑** WARNING

In the event a malfunction of the SRS is indicated as outlined above, the SRS may not be operational.

For your safety, we strongly recommend that you contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center immediately to have the system checked. Otherwise the SRS may not be activated when needed in an accident, which could result in serious or fatal injury, or it might deploy unexpectedly and unnecessarily which could also result in injury.

#### **Engine**

#### **Problem**



The yellow Check Engine warning lamp lights up while the engine is running.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

There may be a malfunction, for example:

- in the engine management
- in the fuel injection system
- · in the exhaust system
- in the ignition system
- in the fuel system

The emission limit values may be exceeded and the engine may be running in emergency mode.

- ► Have the vehicle checked as soon as possible at a qualified specialist workshop.
- i In some states, you must immediately visit a qualified specialist workshop as soon as the yellow Check Engine warning lamp lights up. This is due to the legal requirements in effect in these states. If in doubt, check whether such legal regulations apply in the state in which you are currently driving.



The yellow reserve fuel warning lamp flashes while the vehicle is in motion. In addition, the Check Engine warning lamp may light up.

The fuel system pressure is too low. The fuel filler cap is not closed correctly or the fuel system is leaking.

- Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Check that the fuel filler cap is correctly closed.
- ► If the fuel filler cap is not correctly closed: close the fuel filler cap.
- ▶ If the fuel filler cap is closed: visit a qualified specialist workshop.



The yellow reserve fuel warning lamp lights up while the engine is running.

The fuel level has dropped into the reserve range.

► Refuel at the nearest gas station.



The red coolant warning lamp lights up while the engine is running and the coolant temperature gauge is at the start of the scale.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The temperature sensor for the coolant temperature gauge is defective.

The coolant temperature is no longer being monitored. There is a risk of engine damage if the coolant temperature is too high.

- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely and switch off the engine, paying attention to road and traffic conditions. Do not continue driving under any circumstances.
- ► Apply the parking brake.
- ► Consult a qualified specialist workshop.



The red coolant warning lamp comes on while the engine is running.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions

The coolant level is too low.

If the coolant level is correct, the airflow to the engine radiator may be blocked or the electric engine radiator fan may be malfunctioning.

The coolant is too hot and the engine is no longer being cooled sufficiently.

- ► Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely and switch off the engine, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.
- ► Allow the engine and coolant to cool.
- ► Check the coolant level and add coolant (> page 288). Observe the warning notes.
- ▶ If you need to add coolant more often than usual, have the engine coolant system checked.
- ► Make sure that the air supply to the engine radiator is not blocked, e.g. by snow, slush or ice.
- ► At coolant temperatures under 248 °F(120 °C), drive to the next qualified specialist workshop.
- ► Avoid subjecting the engine to heavy loads, e.g. driving in mountainous terrain, and start/stop traffic.



The red coolant warning lamp comes on while the engine is running. A warning tone also sounds.

The coolant temperature has exceeded 248 °F (120 °C). The airflow to the engine radiator may be blocked or the coolant level may be too low.

The engine is not being cooled sufficiently and may be damaged.

- ► Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Pull over and stop the vehicle safely and switch off the engine, paying attention to road and traffic conditions.
- ▶ Allow the engine and coolant to cool.
- ► Check the coolant level and add coolant (> page 288). Observe the warning notes.
- ► If you need to add coolant more often than usual, have the engine coolant system checked.
- ► Make sure that the air supply to the engine radiator is not blocked, e.g. by snow, slush or ice.
- ► At coolant temperatures under 248 °F(120 °C), drive to the next qualified specialist workshop.
- ► Avoid subjecting the engine to heavy loads, e.g. driving in mountainous terrain, and start/stop traffic.

#### **↑** WARNING

Driving when your engine is overheated can cause some fluids which may have leaked into the engine compartment to catch fire. You could be seriously burned.

Steam from an overheated engine can cause serious burns which can occur just by opening the engine hood. Stay away from the engine if you see or hear steam coming from it.

Stop the vehicle in a safe location away from other traffic. Turn off the engine, get out of the vehicle and do not stand near the vehicle until the engine has cooled down.

■ If the coolant temperature is over 248 °F (120 °C), do not continue driving. The engine will otherwise be damaged.

#### **Driving systems**

#### Problem



The red distance warning lamp lights up while the vehicle is in motion. A warning tone also sounds.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions



You are approaching a vehicle or a stationary obstacle in your line of travel at too high a speed.

- ▶ Be prepared to brake immediately.
- ▶ Pay careful attention to the traffic situation. You may have to brake or take evasive action.

More information about DISTRONIC PLUS (⊳ page 160) and PRE-SAFE® Brake (⊳ page 69).

#### **Tires**

#### **Problem**

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USA only:

The yellow tire pressure monitor warning lamp (pressure loss/ malfunction) is lit. Canada only:

The yellow tire pressure monitor warning lamp (pressure loss) is lit.

#### Possible causes/consequences and ▶ Solutions



#### Risk of accident

The tire pressure monitor has detected a loss of pressure in at least one of the tires.

- ▶ Stop the vehicle without making any sudden steering or braking maneuvers. Pay attention to the traffic conditions as you do so.
- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Check the tire pressure. If necessary, correct the tire pressure (⊳ page 328).
- ▶ If necessary, change a wheel (> page 344).



USA only:

The yellow tire pressure monitor (pressure loss/ malfunction)warning lamp flashes for one minute and then remains lit.

The tire pressure monitor is faulty.

- ▶ Observe the additional display messages in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Visit a qualified specialist workshop.



#### **↑** WARNING

Each tire, including the spare (if provided), should be checked at least once every two weeks when cold and inflated to the pressure recommended by the vehicle manufacturer on the Tire and Loading Information placard on the driver's side B-pillar or the tire pressure label on the inside of the fuel filler flap. If your vehicle has tires of a different size than the size indicated on the Tire and Loading Information placard or, if available, the tire pressure label, you should determine the proper tire pressure for those tires.

As an added safety feature, your vehicle has been equipped with a tire pressure monitoring system (TPMS) that illuminates a low tire pressure indicator lamp when one or more of your tires are significantly underinflated. Accordingly, when the low tire pressure telltale illuminates, you should stop and check your tires as soon as possible, and inflate them to the proper pressure. Driving on a significantly underinflated tire causes the tire to overheat and can lead to tire failure.

Underinflation also reduces fuel efficiency and tire tread life, and may affect the vehicle's handling and stopping ability. Please note that the TPMS is not a substitute for proper tire maintenance, and it is the driver's responsibility to maintain correct tire pressure, even if underinflation has not reached the level to trigger illumination of the TPMS low tire pressure indicator lamp.

USA only:

Your vehicle has also been equipped with a TPMS malfunction indicator to indicate when the system is not operating properly. The TPMS malfunction indicator is combined with the low tire pressure telltale. When the system detects a malfunction, the indicator lamp will flash for

approximately one minute and then remain continuously illuminated. This sequence will be repeated every time the vehicle is started as long as the malfunction exists. When the malfunction indicator is illuminated, the system may not be able to detect or signal low tire pressure as

Warning and indicator lamps in the instrument cluster

TPMS malfunctions may occur for a variety of reasons, including the installation of incompatible replacement or alternate tires or wheels on the vehicle that prevent the TPMS from functioning properly. Always check the TPMS malfunction telltale after replacing one or more tires or wheels on your vehicle to ensure that the replacement or alternate tires and wheels allow the TPMS to continue to function properly.

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#### **Useful information**

- 1 This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

### Loading guidelines



#### **↑** WARNING

Always fasten items being carried as securely as possible. Use cargo tie-down rings and fastening materials appropriate for the weight and size of the load.

In an accident, during hard braking or sudden maneuvers, loose items will be thrown around inside the vehicle. This can cause injury to vehicle occupants unless the items are securely fastened in the vehicle.

To help avoid personal injury during a collision or sudden maneuver, exercise care when transporting cargo. Do not pile luggage or cargo higher than the seat backrests.

The trunk is the preferred place to carry objects.

Never drive a vehicle with the trunk open. Deadly carbon monoxide (CO) gases may enter vehicle interior resulting in unconsciousness and death.

The handling characteristics of a laden vehicle are dependent on the distribution of the load within the vehicle. For this reason, you should observe the following notes when transporting a load:

· when transporting a load, never exceed the maximum permissible gross vehicle weight or the gross axle weight rating of the

- vehicle (including occupants). The values are specified on the vehicle identification plate on the B-pillar of the driver's door.
- position heavy loads as far forwards as possible and as low down in the trunk as possible.
- the load must not protrude above the upper edge of the seat backrests.
- · always place the load against the rear or front seat backrests. Make sure that the seat backrests are securely locked into place.
- always place the load behind unoccupied seats if possible.
- secure the load with sufficiently strong and wear-resistant tie-downs. Pad sharp edges for protection.

#### Stowage areas

#### Stowage space

#### Important safety notes



#### **↑** WARNING

To help avoid personal injury during a collision or sudden maneuver, exercise care when storing objects in the vehicle. Put luggage or cargo in the trunk if possible.

Do not pile luggage or cargo higher than the seat backrests.

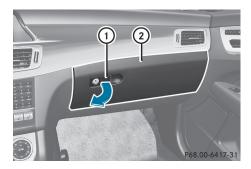
Keep compartment lids closed. This will help to prevent stored objects from being thrown about and injuring vehicle occupants during

- braking
- · vehicle maneuvers
- an accident

#### Stowage compartments in the front

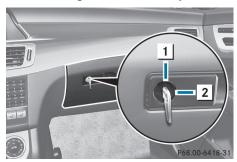
#### Glove box

1 The glove box can be ventilated (⊳ page 130).



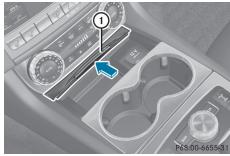
- ► **To open:** pull handle ① and open glove box flap ②.
- ► To close: fold glove box flap ② upwards until it engages.

The glove box can only be locked and unlocked using the mechanical key.



- ► To lock: insert the mechanical key into the lock and turn it 90° clockwise to position 2.
- ► To unlock: insert the mechanical key into the lock and turn it 90° counter-clockwise to position 1.

## Stowage compartments in the center console



All models except AMG vehicles

- ► To open: slide the cover forwards by handle ① in the direction of the arrow until it engages.
- ➤ **To close:** briefly press the front of handle ①.

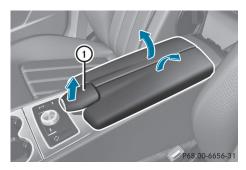


AMG vehicles

- ▶ Briefly press trim (1).
- 1 The stowage tray can be removed.

#### Stowage compartment under the armrest

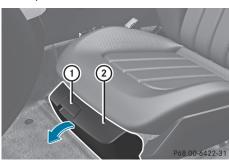
Depending on the vehicle's equipment, a 12 V socket, a USB socket, and an AUX IN connection or Media Interface are installed in the stowage compartment. A Media Interface is a universal interface for mobile audio equipment, e.g. for an iPod® or MP3 player (see the separate COMAND operating instructions).



▶ To open: pull handle (1) upwards. The armrest folds out.

#### Stowage compartment under the front seats

1 On vehicles with a fire extinguisher, the fire extinguisher is located in the stowage compartment under the driver's seat.



▶ To open: pull handle (1) up and fold cover (2) forwards.

#### Stowage space in the rear

#### Stowage compartment in the rear seat armrest

- Do not sit or lean your bodyweight on the armrests when they are folded out as you could damage them.
- Close the cover of the stowage compartment before folding the rear seat armrest back into the seat backrest.



- ▶ To open: fold down seat armrest (2).
- ▶ Fold cover (1) of the armrest upwards.

#### Stowage pockets



#### **↑** WARNING

Storage bags are intended for storing lightweight items only.

Heavy objects, objects with sharp edges or fragile objects may not be transported in the storage bag. In an accident, during hard braking, or sudden maneuvers, they could be thrown around inside the vehicle and cause injury to vehicle occupants.

Storage bags cannot protect transported goods in the event of an accident.

Storage bags are located in the rear compartment on the driver's and frontpassenger seat backrests.

#### Parcel nets



#### **↑** WARNING

Parcel nets are intended for storing lightweight items only, such as road maps, mail, etc.

Heavy objects, objects with sharp edges, or fragile objects may not be transported in the parcel nets. In an accident, during hard braking, or sudden maneuvers, they could be thrown around inside the vehicle and cause injury to vehicle occupants.

Parcel nets cannot protect transported goods in the event of an accident.

Parcel nets are located in the front-passenger footwell and on the left and right-hand sides of the trunk.

## Rear bench seat through-loading feature

#### Important safety notes

#### **⚠** WARNING

When expanding the cargo volume, always fold the seat backrests fully forward.

Unless you are transporting cargo, the seat backrests must remain properly locked in the upright position.

In an accident, during hard braking or sudden maneuvers, loose items will be thrown around inside the vehicle. This can cause injury to vehicle occupants unless the items are securely fastened in the vehicle.

Always use the cargo tie-down rings.

The left-hand and right-hand rear seat backrests can be folded down separately to increase the trunk capacity.

#### Folding the seat backrest forward



Vehicles with memory function: when you fold one or both parts of the rear seat backrest forwards, the respective front seat moves forward slightly, when necessary, in order to avoid contact.

- Vehicles without memory function: if necessary, move the driver's or frontpassenger seat forwards.
- ▶ Open the trunk.
- ▶ Pull right-hand or left-hand rear seat backrest release handle ①. The corresponding rear seat backrest is released.



- ► Fold rear seat backrest ② forwards.
- Move the driver's or front-passenger seat back if necessary.

#### Folding the seat backrest back



- ► Move the driver's or front-passenger seat forward if necessary.
- Make sure that the seat belt does not become trapped when folding the rear seat backrest back. Otherwise, it could be damaged.
- ► Fold rear seat backrest ① back until it engages.

#### **↑** WARNING

Always lock the seat backrest in its upright position when the rear seat bench is occupied, or the extended cargo volume is not in use.

Check for secure locking by pushing and pulling on the seat backrest.

In an accident, during hard braking or sudden maneuvers, loose items will be thrown around inside the vehicle. This can cause injury to vehicle occupants unless the items are securely fastened in the vehicle.

To help avoid personal injury during a collision or sudden maneuver, exercise care when transporting cargo.

- 1 You should always engage the rear seat backrests if you do not need the through-loading feature. This will prevent unauthorized access to the trunk from the vehicle interior.
- ► Move the driver's or front-passenger seat back if necessary.

#### Securing cargo

#### Cargo tie-down rings

Observe the following notes on securing loads:

- secure the load using the cargo tie down rings.
- do not use elastic straps or nets to secure a load, as these are only intended as an anti-slip protection for light loads.
- do not route tie downs across sharp edges or corners.
- pad sharp edges for protection.

There are six cargo tie down rings in the trunk.



Cargo tie down rings

#### Bag hook

II The bag hook can bear a maximum load of 6.6lbs (3kg) and should not be used to secure a load.



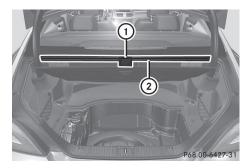
▶ Pull bag hook ② down by tab ①.

#### Stowage well under the trunk floor

The TIREFIT kit, the vehicle tool kit, etc. are located in the stowage compartment.



▶ To open: pull handle (1) upwards.



- ► Hook handle (1) into rain trough (2).
- Unhook the handle before again before closing the trunk lid and clip it in securely to prevent the handle flap from protruding. Otherwise, you could damage the handle.

#### **Roof carrier**

#### Important safety notes

#### / WARNING

Only use roof racks approved by Mercedes-Benz for your vehicle model to avoid damage to the vehicle.

Follow the manufacturer's installation instructions. Otherwise, an improperly attached roof rack system or its load could become detached from the vehicle.

Do not exceed the maximum roof load of 220 lb (100 kg).

Take into consideration that when the roof rack is loaded, the handling characteristics are different from those when operating the vehicle without the roof rack loaded.

Mercedes-Benz recommends that you only use roof carriers that have been tested and approved for Mercedes-Benz vehicles. This helps to prevent damage to the vehicle.

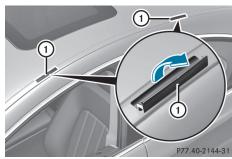
Position the load on the roof carrier in such a way that the vehicle will not sustain damage even when it is in motion.

Ensure that, depending on the vehicle's equipment, you can raise the sliding

sunroof fully and open the trunk lid fully when the roof carrier is installed.

■ To avoid damaging or scratching the covers, do not use metallic or hard objects to open them.

#### Attaching the roof carrier



- ► Open covers ① carefully in the direction of the arrow.
- ► Fold covers (1) upwards.
- ▶ Only secure the roof carrier to the anchorage points under covers ①.
- ► Observe the manufacturer's installation instructions.

#### **Features**

#### Cup holders

#### Important safety notes

### **MARNING**

In order to help prevent spilling liquids on vehicle occupants and/or vehicle equipment, only use containers that fit into the cup holder. Use lids on open containers and do not fill containers to a height where the contents, especially hot liquids, could spill during braking, vehicle maneuvers, or in an accident. Liquids spilled on vehicle occupants may cause serious personal injury. Liquids spilled on vehicle equipment may cause damage not covered by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty.

When not in use, keep the cup holder closed. An open cup holder may cause injury to you or others when contacted during braking, vehicle maneuvers, or in an accident.

Keep in mind that objects placed in the cup holder may come loose during braking, vehicle maneuvers, or in an accident and be thrown around in the vehicle interior. Objects thrown around in the vehicle interior may cause an accident and/or serious personal injury.

## Cup holder in the front-compartment center console

You can remove the cup holder's rubber mat for cleaning. Clean with clear, lukewarm water only.



All vehicles (except AMG)

(1) Cup holders



AMG vehicles

- ① Cup holders
- ② Cover

► **To open:** slide cover ② to its foremost position.

AMG vehicles: you can remove the rubber mat of the cup holder in the direction of the arrow to clean it. Clean with clear, lukewarm water only.

## Cup holder in the rear-compartment center console

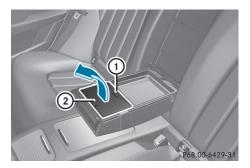
You can remove the insert and the rubber mat of the cup holder to clean them. Clean them with clean, lukewarm water only.



- ▶ To open: slide cover (1) forwards.
- ► To remove the insert: slide catch ② inwards in the direction of the arrow.
- ▶ Remove cup holder insert ③ upwards.
- ► To re-install the insert: place the insert in the stowage space.
- ► Slide catch ② outwards in the direction of the arrow until it engages.

#### Cup holder in the rear seat armrest

- Do not sit on or support your body weight on the rear seat armrest when it is folded down, as you could otherwise damage it.
- Close the cup holder before folding the rear seat armrest up. Otherwise, the cup holder could be damaged.



- ▶ Fold down the rear seat armrest.
- ▶ **To open:** raise the rear seat armrest cover.
- ▶ Press release catch ①. Cup holder (2) folds out forwards.
- ► Swing the rear seat armrest cover back down, if necessary.
- ► To close: raise the rear seat armrest cover. Swing cup holder ② back until it engages.

#### **Bottle holder**

#### **↑** WARNING

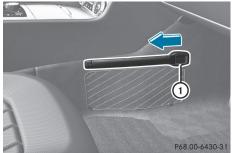
Do not transport heavy, sharp-edged, or fragile bottles in the bottle holder.

In the event of an accident, the bottle holder cannot secure a bottle sufficiently. You and/ or vehicle occupants could be injured.

Make sure that any bottles weighing more than 0.5 kg that are stored in the bottle holder rest on the vehicle floor. The bottle holder could otherwise be damaged.

The bottle holder is designed for bottles with a capacity of 25 fl. oz. (0.7 l) up to 54 fl. oz. (1.5 I).

The bottle holder does not secure the bottles; it merely prevents them from tipping over.



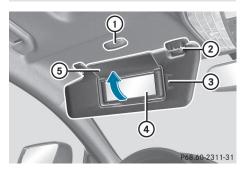
- Press the outer edge of button (1) and slide in the direction of the arrow until the bottle fits into the opening.
- ▶ Insert the bottle into the bottle holder.

#### **Sun visors**

#### Overview of sun visors

### **↑** WARNING

Do not use the vanity mirror while driving. Keep the vanity mirrors in the sun visors closed while the vehicle is in motion. Reflected glare can endanger you and others.

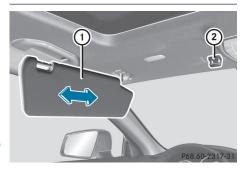


- 1) Mirror light
- ② Bracket
- 3 Retaining clip, e.g. for a car park ticket
- (4) Vanity mirror
- (5) Mirror cover

#### Vanity mirror in the sun visor

Mirror light ① only functions if the sun visor is clipped into retainer ② and mirror cover ⑤ has been folded up.

#### Glare from the side



- ► Fold down sun visor (1).
- ▶ Pull sun visor (1) out of retainer (2).
- ▶ Swing sun visor ① to the side.
- ► Slide sun visor ① forwards and back as required.

#### Rear window roller sunblind

#### **↑** WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, even if they are secured in a child restraint system, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury. The children could:

- injure themselves on parts of the vehicle
- be seriously or fatally injured through excessive exposure to extreme heat or cold
- injure themselves or cause an accident with vehicle equipment that can be operated even if the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock or removed from the vehicle,

such as seat adjustment, steering wheel adjustment, or the memory function

If children open a door, they could injure other persons or get out of the vehicle and injure themselves or be injured by following traffic. Do not expose the child restraint system to direct sunlight. The child restraint system's metal parts, for example, could become very hot, and the child could be burned on these parts.

#### **↑** WARNING

When adjusting a roller sunblind, the roller blind moves up or down. You might become trapped in the process.

In the event of danger, briefly press the button for the roller sunblind to change the roller blind's direction of movement.

Make sure that the roller sunblind can move freely. Otherwise, the roller sunblind or other objects could be damaged.



- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► To extend or retract: briefly press button ①.

The roller sunblind fully extends or fully retracts.

#### **Ashtray**

## Ashtray in the front-compartment center console

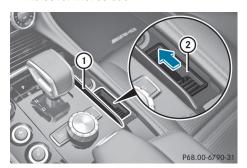
- 1 You can remove the ashtray insert and use the resulting compartment for stowage.
- The stowage space under the ashtray is not heat resistant. Before placing lit cigarettes in the ashtray, make sure that the ashtray is properly engaged. Otherwise, the stowage space could be damaged.



All vehicles (except AMG)

- ► **To open:** slide cover ① forwards until it engages.
- ► To remove insert: hold insert ③ by the ribbing at the sides and lift it up ② and out.
- ➤ To re-install the insert: press insert ③ into the holder until it engages.
- ► To close: press cover ① briefly at the front.

The cover moves back.



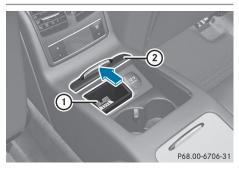
AMG vehicles

► **To open:** briefly press the trim on cover (1).

The stowage compartment opens.

- ► To remove the insert: slide insert ② forwards in the direction of the arrow.
- ▶ Remove insert ②.
- ➤ To re-install the insert: place the insert into the holder and press it in the opposite direction of the arrow until it engages.
- ► To close: fold down cover (1).

## Ashtray in the rear-compartment center console



- ► To open: slide cover ② forwards until it engages.
- ► To remove the insert: pull insert ① up and out.
- ➤ To install the insert: put insert ① from above into the holder and press down into the holder until it engages.

#### Cigarette lighter

#### **↑** WARNING

When leaving the vehicle, always remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Always take the SmartKey with you and lock the vehicle. Do not leave children unattended in the vehicle, even if they are secured in a child restraint system, or with access to an unlocked vehicle. A child's unsupervised access to a vehicle could result in an accident and/or serious personal injury. The children could:

- injure themselves on parts of the vehicle
- · be seriously or fatally injured through excessive exposure to extreme heat or cold
- injure themselves or cause an accident with vehicle equipment that can be operated even if the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock or removed from the vehicle, such as seat adjustment, steering wheel adjustment, or the memory function

If children open a door, they could injure other persons or get out of the vehicle and injure themselves or be injured by following traffic. Do not expose the child restraint system to direct sunlight. The child restraint system's metal parts, for example, could become very hot, and the child could be burned on these parts.

#### / WARNING

Never touch the heating element or sides of the lighter; they are extremely hot. Hold the knob only.

Make sure any children traveling with you do not injure themselves or start a fire with the hot cigarette lighter.



All vehicles (except AMG)

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ To open: slide cover (1) forwards until it engages.
- ▶ Press in cigarette lighter (2). Cigarette lighter (2) will pop out automatically when the heating element is red-hot.



AMG vehicles

- ► To open: briefly press the trim on cover (1).
  - The stowage compartment opens.
- ▶ Press in cigarette lighter (2). Cigarette lighter (2) will pop out automatically when the heating element is red-hot.

#### 12 V sockets

#### Points to observe before use

If you are using all sockets in the vehicle, make sure that you do not exceed the maximum current draw of 55 A. Otherwise, you will overload the fuses.

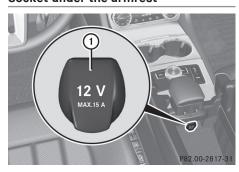
The sockets can be used for accessories with a maximum draw of 180 W (15 A).

Accessories include such items as lamps or chargers for mobile phones.

If you use the sockets for long periods when the engine is switched off, the battery may discharge.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 1 in the ignition lock.
- 1 An emergency cut-out ensures that the on-board voltage does not drop too low. If the on-board voltage is too low, the power to the sockets is automatically cut. This ensures that there is sufficient power to start the engine.

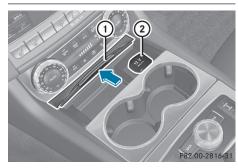
#### Socket under the armrest



- ► Open the stowage space under the armrest (> page 263).
- ▶ Lift up the cover of socket (1).

On vehicles without ashtrays or lighters, there is an additional socket in the center console.

## Socket in the front-compartment center console



All vehicles (except AMG)

- ► **To open:** slide cover ① forwards until it engages.
- ▶ Lift up the cover of socket ②.
- ► **To close:** press cover ① briefly at the front.

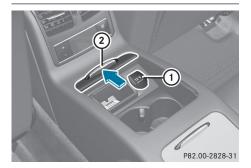
The cover moves back.



AMG vehicles

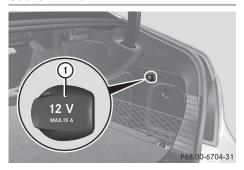
- ► **To open:** briefly press the trim on cover (1).
  - The stowage compartment opens.
- ▶ Lift up the cover of socket ②.
- ► To close: fold down cover (1).

## Socket in the rear-compartment center console



- ▶ Slide cover ② forwards until it engages.
- ▶ Lift up the cover of socket (1).

#### Socket in the trunk



▶ Lift up the cover of socket ①.

#### mbrace

#### Important safety notes

A license agreement must exist in order to activate the mbrace service. Ensure that your system is activated and ready for use, and press the [ ] MB Info call button to register. If any of the steps mentioned is not carried out, the system may not be activated.

If you have questions about the activation, contact one of the following telephone assistance services:

- USA: Mercedes-Benz Customer
   Assistance Center under
   1-800-FOR-MERCedes
   (1-800-367-6372) or 1-888-990-9007
- Canada: Customer Service at 1-888-923-8367

Shortly after successfully registering with the mbrace service, a user ID and password will be sent to you by mail. You can use this password to log in to the mbrace section under "Owners Online" at http://

www.mbusa.com<sup>18</sup>.

The mbrace system is available if:

- it has been activated and is operational.
- the corresponding mobile phone network is available for transmitting data to the Customer Center.
- a service subscription is available.
- the starter battery is sufficiently charged.
- 1 Determining the location of the vehicle on a map is only possible if there is sufficient GPS reception and the vehicle position can be forwarded to the Customer Center.

#### The mbrace system

The mbrace system provides different services, e.g.:

- automatic and manual emergency call
- Roadside Assistance call
- MB Info call

To adjust the volume during an mbrace call, proceed as follows:

▶ Press the + or - button on the multifunction steering wheel.

or

► Use the volume controller of the audio system/COMAND.

<sup>18</sup> USA only.

You can find further information and a description of all available features under "Owners Online" at http://www.mbusa.com<sup>19</sup>.

#### System self-test

After you have switched on the ignition, the system carries out a self-diagnosis.

#### **↑** WARNING

A malfunction in the system has been detected if one of the following conditions occurs:

- the indicator lamp in the SOS button does not light up during the system selfdiagnosis.
- the indicator lamp in the Roadside
   Assistance button does not light up during
   the system self-diagnosis.
- The indicator lamp in the information button does not light up during selfdiagnosis of the system.
- the indicator lamp in the SOS button,
   Roadside Assistance button or information button continues to be lit red after the system self-diagnosis.
- The Tele Aid Inoperative or Tele Aid Not Activated message appears in the multifunction display after the system selftest.

If a malfunction is indicated as outlined above, the system may not operate as expected. In the event of an emergency, assistance must be summoned by other means.

Have the system checked at the nearest authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or contact the following service hotlines:

- USA: Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center under
   1-800-FOR-MERCedes(1-800-367-6372) or 1-888-990-9007
- Canada: Customer Service at 1-888-923-8367

#### **Emergency call**

#### Important safety notes

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If you have questions about the activation, contact one of the following telephone assistance services:

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An emergency call is dialed automatically if an air bag or Emergency Tensioning Device is triggered.

**1** An mbrace emergency call that has been initiated automatically cannot be terminated by the customer.

An emergency call can also be initiated manually.

As soon as the emergency call has been initiated, the indicator lamp in the SOS button flashes. The Connecting Call message appears on the multifunction display.

The audio output is muted.

Once a connection has been established, the Call Connected message appears in the multifunction display.

All important information on the emergency is transmitted, for example:

- current location of the vehicle (as determined by the GPS system)
- · vehicle identification number
- information on the type of emergency Shortly after the emergency call has been initiated, a voice connection is automatically

established between the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center and the vehicle occupants. If the vehicle occupants respond, the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center attempts to get more information on the emergency.

 If there is no response from the vehicle occupants, an ambulance is immediately sent to the vehicle.

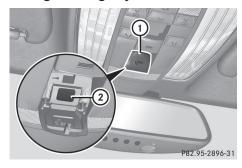
#### **↑** WARNING

If the indicator lamp in the SOS button is flashing continuously and there was no voice connection to the Response Center established, then the mbrace system could not initiate an emergency call (e.g. the relevant cellular phone network is not available).

The message Call Failed appears in the multifunction display for approximately 10 seconds.

Should this occur, assistance must be summoned by other means.

#### Making an emergency call



- ➤ To initiate an emergency call manually: press cover ① briefly to open it.
- ▶ Press SOS button ② briefly. The indicator lamp in SOS button ② flashes until the emergency call is concluded.

- Wait for a voice connection to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center.
- ► After the emergency call is ended, close cover ①.

#### **↑** WARNING

If you feel at any way in jeopardy when in the vehicle (e.g. smoke or fire in the vehicle, vehicle in a dangerous road location), please do not wait for voice contact after you have pressed the SOS button. Carefully leave the vehicle and move to a safe location. The Response Center will automatically contact local emergency officials with the vehicle's approximate location if they receive an automatic SOS signal and cannot make voice contact with the vehicle occupants.

#### Roadside Assistance button



▶ Press and hold Roadside Assistance button ① for more than two seconds.

This initiates a call to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center. The indicator lamp in Roadside Assistance button ① flashes while the call is active. The Connecting Call message appears in the multifunction display. The audio output is muted.

If a connection can be established, the Call Connected message appears in the multifunction display.

If a cellular phone network is available and there is sufficient GPS reception, the mbrace system transmits data to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center, for example:

- · current location of the vehicle
- vehicle identification number
- 1 The COMAND display shows that an mbrace call is active. During the call, you can change to the navigation menu by pressing the NAVI button on COMAND, for example.

Voice output is not available.

A voice connection is established between the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center and the vehicle occupants.

▶ Describe the type of assistance needed.

The Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center either sends a qualified Mercedes-Benz technician or organizes for your vehicle to be transported to the nearest authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. You may be charged for services such as repair work and/or towing. Further details are available in your mbrace manual.

- 1 The mbrace system failed to initiate a Roadside Assistance call if:
  - the indicator lamp in Roadside Assistance button (1) is flashing continuously.
  - no voice connection to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center was established.

This may be because the corresponding mobile phone network is not available.

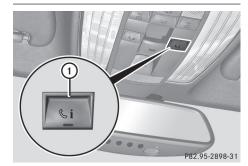
The Call Failed message appears in the multifunction display.

► To end a call: press the button on the multifunction steering wheel.

or

▶ Press the corresponding button for ending a phone call on COMAND.

#### MB Info call button



► Press and hold MB Info call button ① for more than two seconds.

This initiates a call to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center. The indicator lamp in MB Info call button ① flashes while the connection is being established. The Connecting Call message appears in the multifunction display and COMAND is muted

If a connection can be established, the Call Connected message appears in the multifunction display.

If a cellular phone network is available and there is sufficient GPS reception, the mbrace system transmits data to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center, for example:

- · current location of the vehicle
- vehicle identification number
- 1 The COMAND display shows that an mbrace call is active. During the call, you can change to the navigation menu by pressing the NAVI button on COMAND, for example.

Voice output is not available.

A voice connection is established between the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center and the vehicle occupants. You can obtain information on how to operate your vehicle's systems, on the location of the nearest authorized Mercedes-Benz Center, and on further products and services offered by Mercedes-Benz USA.

Further details on the mbrace system can be found under http://www.mbusa.com<sup>20</sup>. Log in under "Owners Online".

- 1 The mbrace system failed to initiate an MB Info call if:
  - the indicator lamp in MB Info call button (1) is flashing continuously.
  - no voice connection to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center was established.

This may be because the corresponding mobile phone network is not available.

The Call Failed message appears in the multifunction display.

► To end a call: press the button on the multifunction steering wheel.

or

► Press the corresponding button for ending a phone call on COMAND.

#### Call priority

When service calls are active, e.g. Roadside Assistance or MB Info calls, an emergency call can still be initiated. In this case, an emergency call will take priority and override all other active calls.

The indicator lamp of the respective button flashes until the call is ended. An emergency call can only be terminated by the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center. All other calls can be ended by pressing the button on the multifunction steering wheel or the corresponding button for ending a telephone call on COMAND.

is muted. The mobile phone is no longer connected to COMAND. However, if you want to use your mobile phone, we recommend that you do this only when the vehicle is stationary and in a safe location.

#### **Downloading destinations**

- 1 Information on the components and operating principles of COMAND can be found in the separate COMAND operating instructions.
- 1 You can only use the Destination Download function if the vehicle is equipped with a navigation system.

Destination Download gives you access to a database with over 15 million points of interest (POIs)/important destinations that can be downloaded onto the navigation system of your vehicle. If you know the destination, you can download the address or obtain the location of points of interest (POIs)/important destinations in the surrounding area.

You are prompted to confirm route guidance to the address entered.

- ► Select Yes with the or buttons on COMAND.
- ► Press the ⊚κ button on COMAND to confirm.

The system calculates the route and subsequently starts the route guidance with the address entered.

- 1 If you select No, the address can be stored in the address book.
- 1 The Destination Download function is available if the corresponding mobile phone network is available and data transfer is possible.

#### **Route Assistance**

This service is part of the mbrace PLUS Package and cannot be purchased separately.

1 You can also use the Route Assistance function if your vehicle is not equipped with a navigation system.

Within the framework of this service, you receive a professional and reliable form of

navigation support without having to leave your vehicle.

The customer service representative determines a suitable driving route based on your current vehicle position and the desired destination and guides you live through the current sections of the route.

#### Search & Send

"Search & Send" is a destination entry service. You can find further information on "Search & Send" in the separate COMAND operating instructions.

#### Vehicle remote opening

If you have unintentionally locked your vehicle (e.g. the SmartKey is still in the vehicle) and a replacement SmartKey is not available, the vehicle can be opened by a Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center. The vehicle can be opened remotely up to four days after the ignition was last switched off.

- ► Contact the following service hotlines:
  - USA: Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-FOR-MERCedes (1-800-367-6372) or 1-888-990-9007
  - Canada: Customer Service at 1-888-923-8367

You will be asked for your password.

- Return to your vehicle at the time agreed upon with the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center.
- ▶ Pull on the trunk lid handle for at least 20 seconds until the indicator lamp in the SOS button (▷ page 275) flashes.

  The Connecting Call message appears on the multifunction display.

Alternatively, the vehicle can also be opened via the Internet or an iPhone in the "Owners Online" section using your ID number and password<sup>21</sup>.

• Vehicle remote unlocking is only possible if the corresponding mobile phone network is accessible.

The SOS button flashes and the Connecting Call message appears in the multifunction display to confirm that the command for vehicle remote unlocking has been received.

If you pull on the trunk handle for more than 20 seconds before receiving authorization for remote unlocking, you must wait 15 minutes before you can pull on the trunk lid handle again.

#### Vehicle remote closing

If you forget to lock your vehicle but are no longer in the vicinity of the vehicle, it can be locked for you by the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center.

The vehicle can be locked remotely up to four days after the ignition was last switched off.

- ► Contact the following service hotlines:
  - USA: Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center under 1-800-FOR-MERCedes(1-800-367-6372) or 1-888-990-9007
  - Canada: Customer Service at 1-888-923-8367

You will be asked for your PIN.

The next time you are in your vehicle and switch on the ignition, the Tele Aid: Doors Locked by Remote message appears in the multifunction display.

Alternatively, the vehicle can also be locked via the Internet or an iPhone in the "Owners Online" section using your ID number and password.

1 The vehicle valet locking feature is available when the relevant mobile phone network is available and data connection is possible.

#### Stolen vehicle recovery service

If your vehicle has been stolen:

- ► Notify the police.

  The police will issue a numbered incident report.
- ► This number will be forwarded to the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center together with your PIN.

  The Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center then attempts to locate the mbrace system. The Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center contacts you and the local law enforcement agency if the vehicle is located. However, only the law enforcement agency is informed of the
- 1 If the anti-theft alarm system is active for longer than 30 seconds, mbrace automatically informs the Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center.

#### Garage door opener

location of the vehicle.

#### Important safety notes

The HomeLink<sup>®</sup> garage door opener integrated in the rear-view mirror allows you to operate up to three different door and gate systems.

- incompatible with the integrated garage door opener. If you have difficulty programming the integrated garage door opener, contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or call one of the following telephone hotlines:
  - USA: Mercedes-Benz Customer Assistance Center at 1-800-FOR-MERCedes
  - Canada: Customer Service at 1-800-387-0100

#### **↑** WARNING

Before programming the integrated remote control to a garage door opener or gate

operator, make sure people and objects are out of the way of the device to prevent potential harm or damage. When programming a garage door opener, the door moves up or down. When programming a gate operator, the gate opens or closes.

Do not use the integrated remote control with any garage door opener that lacks safety stop and reverse features as required by U.S. federal safety standards (this includes any garage door opener model manufactured before April 1, 1982). A garage door that cannot detect an object - signaling the door to stop and reverse - does not meet current U.S. federal safety standards.

When programming a garage door opener, park vehicle outside the garage.

Do not run the engine while programming the integrated remote control. Inhalation of exhaust gas is hazardous to your health. All exhaust gas contains carbon monoxide (CO), and inhaling it can cause unconsciousness and possible death. All exhaust gas contains carbon monoxide (CO), and inhaling it can cause unconsciousness and possible death.

① USA only:

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- 2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

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1 Canada only:

This device complies with RSS-210 of Industry Canada. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause interference, and

2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

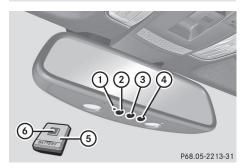
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## Programming the integrated garage door opener on the rear-view mirror

#### **Programming**

#### **↑** WARNING

Only press the button on the integrated garage door opener if there are no persons or objects present within the sweep of the garage door. Persons could otherwise be injured as the door moves.



Integrated garage door opener on the rear-view mirror

Garage door remote control (5) is not part of the integrated garage door opener.

- ▶ Before programming for the first time, clear the memory of the integrated garage door opener (▷ page 283).
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Press and hold one of the buttons ② to ④ on the integrated garage door opener.

After a short time, indicator lamp ① starts flashing yellow.

1 Indicator lamp 1 flashes yellow immediately the first time button 2, 3

- or (4) is programmed. If the selected button has already been programmed, indicator lamp (1) will only start flashing yellow at a rate of once a second after ten seconds have elapsed.
- ▶ Release button ②, ③ or ④.
- ▶ Point remote control ⑤ at a distance of 2 to 8 inches (5 to 20 cm) at buttons ② to ④ on the rear-view mirror.
- 1 The required distance between remote control (3) and the integrated garage door opener depends on the garage door drive system. Several attempts might be necessary. You should test every position for at least 25 seconds before trying another position.
- Press and hold button (a) on remote control (b) until indicator lamp (c) lights up green. If indicator lamp (c) lights up green or flashes, then programming has been successful.
- ▶ Release button ⑥ on remote control ⑤ for the garage door drive system.

If indicator lamp (1) lights up red:

- ▶ Repeat the programming procedure for the corresponding button on the rear-view mirror. When doing so, vary the distance between remote control ⑤ and the rear-view mirror.
- 1 If the indicator lamp flashes green after successful programming, the garage door system is operating on a rolling code. After programming, you must synchronize the garage door opener integrated in the rearview mirror with the receiver of the garage door system.

#### Synchronizing the rolling code

Your vehicle must be within reach of the garage door or exterior gate drive. Make sure that neither your vehicle nor any persons/ objects are present within the sweep of the door or gate.

Observe the safety notes when performing the rolling code synchronization (> page 280).

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- Press the programming button of the door or gate drive (see the door or gate drive operating instructions, e.g. under "Programming of additional remote controls").
- ① Usually, you now have 30seconds to initiate the next step.
- Press previously programmed button ②, ③ or ④ of the integrated garage door opener until the door starts to move. The rolling code synchronization is then complete.

## Notes on programming the remote control

Canadian radio frequency laws require a "break" (or interruption) of the transmission signals after broadcasting for a few seconds. Therefore, these signals may not last long enough for the integrated garage door opener. The signal is not recognized during programming. Comparable with Canadian law, some U.S. garage door openers are designed to "time-out" in the same manner. Proceed as follows:

- if you live in Canada
- if you have difficulties programming the garage door opener (regardless of where you live) when using the programming steps
- ► Press and hold one of buttons ② to ④ on the integrated garage door opener. After a short time, indicator lamp ① starts flashing yellow.
- ► Release the button.
- ▶ Press button ⑥ of garage door remote control ⑤ for two seconds, then release it for two seconds.
- ▶ Press button ⑥ again for two seconds.

- ► Repeat this sequence on button ⑥ of remote control ⑤ until indicator lamp ① lights up green.

  If indicator lamp ① turns red, repeat the
- ► Continue with the other programming steps (see above).

#### Problems when programming

process.

If you are experiencing problems programming the integrated garage door opener on the rear-view mirror, take note of the following instructions:

- Check the transmitter frequency of garage door drive remote control (5). This can usually be found on the back of the remote control.
- The integrated garage door opener is compatible with devices that have units which operate in the frequency range of 280 to 390MHz.
- Replace the batteries in garage door remote control ⑤. This increases the likelihood that garage door remote control ⑤ will transmit a strong and precise signal to the integrated garage door opener in the rear-view mirror.
- When programming, hold remote control
   at varying distances and angles from the button that you are programming. Try various angles at a distance between
   and 12 inches (5 to 30 cm) or at the same angle but at varying distances.
- If another remote control for the same garage door drive is available, repeat the same programming steps with this remote control. Before performing these steps, make sure that new batteries have been installed in garage door drive remote control (5).
- Note that some remote controls only transmit for a limited amount of time (the indicator lamp on the remote control goes

- out). Press button (a) on remote control (b) again before transmission ends.
- Align the antenna cable of the garage door opener unit. This can improve signal reception/transmission.

#### Opening/closing the garage door

After it has been programmed, the integrated garage door opener performs the function of the garage door system remote control. Please also read the operating instructions for the garage door system.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press button ②, ③ or ④ that you have programmed to operate the garage door. Garage door system with a fixed code: indicator lamp ① lights up green.
  - Garage door system with a rolling code: indicator lamp (1) flashes green.
- 1 The transmitter will transmit a signal for as long as the button is pressed. The transmission is halted after a maximum of ten seconds and indicator lamp 1 flashes yellow. Press button 2, 3 or 4 again if necessary.

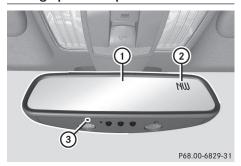
# Clearing the memory of the integrated garage door opener on the rear-view mirror

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Press buttons ② and ④.

  The indicator lamp lights up yellow.
- ► Press and hold buttons ② and ④ until the indicator lamp turns green.
- **1)** Make sure that you clear the memory of the integrated garage door opener before selling the vehicle.

#### Compass

#### Calling up the compass

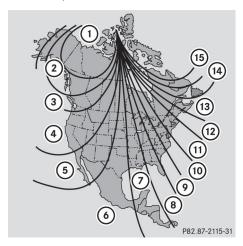


To obtain a correct display in rear-view mirror ①, the compass must be calibrated and the magnetic field zone must be set.

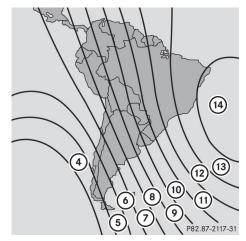
Press button ③ briefly.
The compass shows the direction in which the vehicle is currently traveling: N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W or NW.

#### Setting the compass

▶ Determine your position using the following zone maps.



North America zone map



South America zone map

- ▶ Press and hold button (3)(▷ page 283) for approximately three seconds. The currently selected zone appears in compass display (2)(⊳ page 283).
- ► To select the zone: press button (3)(⊳ page 283) repeatedly until the desired zone is selected. The zone has been selected when compass display (2)(⊳ page 283) switches to the compass direction after a few seconds.

#### Calibrating the compass

► Make sure that there is sufficient space for you to drive in a circle without impeding traffic.

In order to calibrate the compass correctly, do the following:

- · calibrate the compass in the open and not in the vicinity of steel structures or highvoltage transmission lines.
- · switch off electrical consumers such as the climate control, windshield wipers or rear window defroster.
- close all doors and the trunk lid.
- ► Switch the ignition on.
- ▶ Press and hold button (3)(> page 283) for approximately six seconds until the

- C symbol appears in compass display (2) (⊳ page 283).
- ► Drive in a full circle at approximately 3 mph (5 km/h) to 6 mph (10 km/h). Once the calibration has been successfully completed, the current direction appears in compass display (2)(⊳ page 283).

#### Floormat on the driver's side

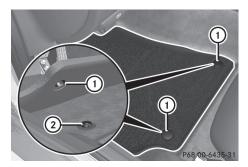
### **MARNING**

Whenever you are using a floormat, make sure there is enough clearance and that the floormat is securely fastened.

The floormat should always be securely fastened using the fastening equipment.

Before driving off, check that the floormat is securely in place and adjust it if necessary. A loose floormat could slip and hinder proper functioning of the pedals.

Do not place several floormats on top of each other as this may impair pedal movement.



- ▶ Slide the seat backwards.
- ▶ To install: place the floormat in the footwell.
- ▶ Press studs (1) onto retainers (2).
- ► To remove: pull the floormat off retainers (2).
- ▶ Remove the floormat.

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#### **Useful information**

- 1 This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

#### **Engine compartment**

#### Hood

#### Opening the hood



Do not pull the release lever while the vehicle is in motion. Otherwise, the hood could be forced open by passing air flow.

This could cause the hood to come loose and injure you and/or others.

#### **↑** WARNING

Do not open the hood when the engine is overheated. You could be seriously injured. Observe the coolant temperature gauge to determine whether the engine may be overheated. If you see flames or smoke coming from the engine compartment, move away from the vehicle. Wait until the engine has cooled. If necessary, call the fire department.

#### **↑** WARNING

There is a risk of injury if the hood is open, even if the engine is not running.

Some engine components can become very hot.

To avoid the risk of burns, only touch those components described in the Operator's Manual and observe the relevant safety notes.

#### **↑** WARNING

To avoid injury, stay clear of moving parts when the hood is open and the engine is running.

The radiator fan may continue to run for approximately 30 seconds or may even restart after the engine has been switched off. For this reason, you must not reach into the fan rotation area.

#### **↑** WARNING

The engine is equipped with a transistorized ignition system. Because of the high voltage, it is dangerous to touch any components (ignition coils, spark plug sockets, diagnostic socket) of the ignition system:

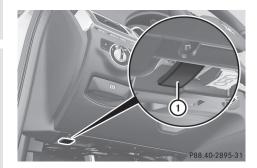
- with the engine running
- · while starting the engine
- when the ignition is switched on and the engine is turned manually
- ▶ Make sure that the windshield wipers are switched off.

#### **↑** WARNING

The windshield wipers and wiper linkage could be set in motion.

When the hood is open, you or others could be injured by the wiper linkage.

Make sure that the windshield wipers are switched off. Remove the SmartKey or make sure that no ignition position has been selected with KEYLESS-GO. All indicator lamps must be off in the instrument panel.



- ► Pull release lever ① for the hood. The hood is released.
- Make sure that the windshield wipers are not folded away from the windshield. You could otherwise damage the windshield wipers or the hood.



► Reach into the gap, pull hood catch handle ② up and lift the hood.

Once you have lifted the hood about 15 inches (40cm), it is automatically opened the rest of the way and held open by the gas-filled struts.

# Closing the hood

# **↑** WARNING

When closing the hood, use extreme caution not to catch hands or fingers. Be careful that you do not close the hood on anyone.

Make sure the hood is securely engaged before driving off. Do not continue driving if the hood can no longer engage after an accident, for example. The hood could otherwise come loose while the vehicle is in motion and injure you and/or others.

- ► Lower the hood and let it fall from a height of approximately 8 inches (20cm).
- ► Check that the hood has engaged properly. If the hood can be raised slightly, it is not properly engaged. Open it again and close it with a little more force.

# **Engine oil**

#### Notes on the oil level

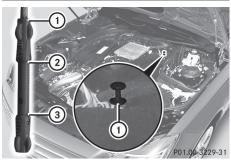
Depending on the driving style, the vehicle consumes up to 0.9 US qts (0.8 I) of oil over a distance of 600 miles (1,000 km). The oil consumption may be higher than this when the vehicle is new or if you frequently drive at high engine speeds.

Depending on the engine, the oil dipstick may be in a different location.

When checking the oil level:

- park the vehicle on a level surface.
- the engine should be switched off for approximately five minutes if the engine is at normal operating temperature.
- if the engine is not at normal operating temperature, e.g. if the engine was only started briefly: wait about 30 minutes before carrying out the measurement.

# Checking the oil level using the oil dipstick



- ▶ Pull oil dipstick ① out of the dipstick guide tube.
- ▶ Wipe off oil dipstick (1).
- ► Slowly slide oil dipstick ① into the guide tube to the stop, and take it out again. If the level is between MIN mark ③ and MAX mark ②, the oil level is correct.
- ► If the oil level is at or below MIN mark ③, add 0.55 US qt to 1.1 US qt (0.5 to 1.0 I) of engine oil.

# Adding engine oil

### **↑** WARNING

If engine oil comes into contact with hot engine parts, it may ignite and you could burn yourself. Do not spill any engine oil on hot engine parts.

### **Environmental note**

When adding oil, take care not to spill any. If oil enters the soil or waterways, it is harmful to the environment.

I Only use engine oils and oil filters that have been approved for vehicles with a service system. You can obtain a list of the engine oils and oil filters tested and approved in accordance with the Mercedes-Benz Specifications for Service Products at any Mercedes-Benz Service center.

Damage to the engine or exhaust system is caused by the following:

- · using engine oils and oil filters that have not been specifically approved for the service system
- replacing engine oil and oil filters after the interval for replacement specified by the service system has been exceeded
- · using engine oil additives.
- Do not add too much oil. adding too much engine oil can result in damage to the engine or to the catalytic converter. Have excess engine oil siphoned off.



Example: engine oil cap

- ► Turn cap (1) counterclockwise and remove
- ► Add engine oil. If the oil level is at or below the MIN mark on the oil dipstick, add 0.55 US qt to 1.1 US qt (0.5 to 1.0 l) of engine oil.
- ▶ Replace cap (1) on the filler neck and turn clockwise. Ensure that the cap locks into place securely.
- ► Check the oil level again with the oil dipstick (⊳ page 287).

Further information on engine oil (⊳ page 354).

# Checking and adding other service products

### Checking the coolant level

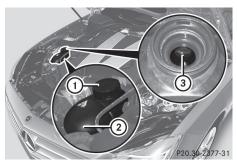


# **↑** WARNING

In order to avoid any potentially serious burns:

- · use extreme caution when opening the hood if there are any signs of steam or coolant leaking from the cooling system, or if the coolant temperature display indicates that the coolant is overheated.
- do not remove the pressure cap on the coolant reservoir if the coolant temperature is above 158 °F (70 °C). Allow the engine to cool down before removing the cap. The coolant reservoir contains hot fluid and is under pressure.

- using a rag, slowly turn the cap approximately <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> turn to relieve excess pressure. If opened immediately, scalding hot fluid and steam will be blown out under pressure.
- do not spill antifreeze on hot engine parts.
   Antifreeze contains ethylene glycol which may burn if it comes into contact with hot engine parts.



- ▶ Park the vehicle on a level surface. Only check the coolant level when the vehicle is on a level surface and the engine has cooled down.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock (> page 135).
  On vehicles with KEYLESS-GO, press the Start/Stop button twice (> page 135).
- ► Check the coolant temperature display in the instrument cluster. The coolant temperature must be below 158 °F (70 °C).
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position **0**(▷ page 135) in the ignition lock.
- ➤ Slowly turn cap ① half a turn counterclockwise to allow excess pressure to escape.
- ► Turn cap ① further counter-clockwise and remove it.

If the coolant is at the level of marker bar ③ in the filler neck when cold, there is enough coolant in coolant expansion tank ②.

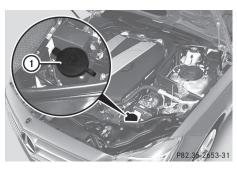
- neck when warm, there is enough coolant in coolant expansion tank (2).
- ▶ If necessary, add coolant that has been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz.
- ► Replace cap ① and turn it clockwise as far as it will go.

For further information on coolant, see (▷ page 355).

# Adding washer fluid to the windshield washer system/headlamp cleaning system

# **↑** WARNING

Washer solvent/antifreeze is highly flammable. Do not spill washer solvent/antifreeze on hot engine parts, because it may ignite and burn. You could be seriously burned.



- ► To open: pull cap (1) upwards by the tab.
- ► Add the premixed washer fluid.
- ► To close: press cap ① onto the filler neck until it engages.

The washer fluid reservoir is used for both the windshield washer system and the headlamp cleaning system.

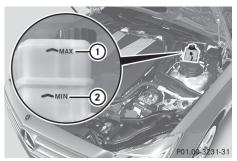
Further information on windshield washer fluid/antifreeze (⊳ page 356).

#### Brake fluid level

If the brake fluid level in the brake fluid reservoir has fallen to the MIN mark or below, check the brake system

immediately for leaks. Also check the thickness of the brake linings. Visit a qualified specialist workshop immediately. Do not add brake fluid. This does not correct the malfunction.

Only check the brake fluid level when the vehicle is stationary and on a level surface.



If the brake fluid level is between MIN marking ② and MAX marking ① on the brake fluid reservoir, it is correct.

# **Maintenance**

### Service interval display

### Service messages

Information on the type of service and service intervals (see separate Maintenance Booklet).

You can obtain further information from an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or at http://www.mbusa.com (USA only).

The service interval display informs you of the next service due date.

If a service due date has been exceeded, you also hear an acoustic signal.

The multifunction display shows a service message for a few seconds, e.g.

Next service A due in .. days Service A due

Service A overdue by  $\dots$  days

The letter indicates which service is due. A stands for a minor service and B for a major

service. A number or another letter may be displayed after the letter. This figure indicates any necessary additional maintenance work to be performed.

You can obtain further information from an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

The service interval display does not take into account any periods of time during which the battery is disconnected.

Maintaining the time-dependent service schedule:

Note down the service due date displayed in the multifunction display before disconnecting the battery.

or

Subtract the battery disconnection periods from the service date shown on the display after reconnecting the battery.

## Hiding a service message

#### Displaying service messages

- ► Switch on the ignition.
- ► Press or on the steering wheel to select the Serv. menu.
- ▶ Press or to select the ASSYST PLUS submenu and press ok to confirm. The service due date appears in the multifunction display.

# Please bear the following in mind

### Resetting service interval display

If the qualified specialist workshop, e.g. a Mercedes-Benz Center, carried out the maintenance work, the service interval display will be reset.

Further information, on maintenance for example, can be obtained at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or directly from Mercedes-Benz.

If the service interval display has been reset unintentionally, have the setting corrected at a Mercedes-Benz Center. Have service work carried out as described in the Maintenance Booklet. This may otherwise lead to increased wear and damage to the major assemblies or the vehicle.

### **Driving abroad**

An extensive Mercedes-Benz Service network is also available in other countries. You can obtain further information from any authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

#### Care

# Notes on care

Regular care of your vehicle is a condition for retaining the quality in the long term.

Use care products and cleaning agents recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz.

# / WARNING

Many cleaning products can be hazardous. Some are poisonous, others are flammable. Always follow the instructions on the particular container. Always open your vehicle's doors or windows when cleaning the inside.

Never use fluids or solvents that are not designed for cleaning your vehicle.

Always lock away cleaning products and keep them out of reach of children.

- For cleaning your vehicle, do not use any of the following:
  - · dry, rough or hard cloths
  - abrasive cleaning agents
  - solvents
  - cleaning agents containing solvents

Do not scrub.

Do not touch the surfaces or protective films with hard objects, e.g. a ring or ice

scraper. You could otherwise scratch or damage the surfaces and protective film.

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Dispose of empty packaging and cleaning cloths in an environmentally responsible manner.

Do not park the vehicle for an extended period straight after cleaning it, particularly after having cleaned the wheels with wheel cleaner. Wheel cleaners could cause increased corrosion of the brake discs and brake pads/linings. For this reason, you should drive for a few minutes after cleaning. Braking heats the brake discs and the brake pads/linings, thus drying them. The vehicle can then be parked.

### **Exterior care**

#### Automatic car wash

# **MARNING**

Braking efficiency is reduced after washing the vehicle. This could cause an accident. For this reason, you must drive particularly carefully after washing the vehicle until the brakes have dried.

You can wash the vehicle in an automatic car wash from the very start.

Never clean your vehicle in a Touchless
Automatic Car Wash as these use special
cleaning agents. These cleaning agents can
damage the paintwork or plastic parts.

If the vehicle is very dirty, pre-wash it before cleaning it in an automatic car wash.

In car washes with a towing mechanism, make sure that the automatic transmission is in transmission position **N**, otherwise the vehicle could be damaged.

door or front-passenger door when the

Vehicles with a SmartKey:
 Do not remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. Do not open the driver's

engine is switched off. Otherwise, the automatic transmission selects park position P automatically and locks the wheels. You can prevent this by shifting the automatic transmission to N beforehand.

Vehicles with KEYLESS-GO:

Do not open the driver's door or frontpassenger door when the engine is switched off. Otherwise, the automatic transmission selects park position P automatically and locks the wheels.

Observe the following to make sure that the automatic transmission stays in position N:

- ▶ Make sure the vehicle is stationary and the ignition is switched off.
- ► Turn the key to position **2**(> page 135) in the ignition lock.

Use the SmartKey instead of the Start/ Stop button on vehicles with KEYLESS-GO.

- ▶ Depress and hold the brake pedal.
- ▶ Shift the automatic transmission to position N.
- ► Release the brake pedal.
- ► Release the parking brake.
- ▶ Switch off the ignition and leave the SmartKey in the ignition lock.
- Make sure that:
  - the side windows and the sliding sunroof are fully closed.
  - the ventilation/heating is switched off (the OFF button has been pressed).
  - the windshield wiper switch is in position 0.

Otherwise, the vehicle might be damaged.

After using an automatic car wash, wipe off wax from the windshield and the wiper blades. This will prevent smears and reduce wiping noises caused by residue on the windshield.

### Washing by hand

In some countries, washing by hand is only allowed at specially equipped washing bays. Observe the legal requirements in all countries concerned.

- ▶ Do not use hot water and do not wash the vehicle in direct sunlight.
- ▶ Use a soft sponge to clean.
- ▶ Use a mild cleaning agent, such as a car shampoo approved by Mercedes-Benz.
- ► Thoroughly hose down the vehicle with a gentle jet of water.
- ▶ Do not point the water jet directly towards the air inlet.
- ▶ Use plenty of water and rinse out the sponge frequently.
- ▶ Rinse the vehicle with clean water and dry thoroughly with a chamois.
- ▶ Do not let the cleaning agent dry on the paintwork.

When using the vehicle in winter, remove all traces of road salt deposits carefully and as soon as possible.

#### Power washers

# **↑** WARNING

Do not use power washers with circular-jet nozzles (dirt grinders) to clean your vehicle, in particular the tires. You could otherwise damage the tires and cause an accident.

Always maintain a distance of at least 11.8 in (30 cm) between the vehicle and the power washer nozzle. Information about the correct distance is available from the equipment manufacturer.

Move the power washer nozzle around when cleaning your vehicle.

Do not aim directly at any of the following:

- tires
- door gaps, roof gaps, joints, etc.
- · electrical components
- battery

- · connectors
- lights
- · seals
- trim
- · ventilation slots

Damaged seals or electrical components can lead to leaks or failures.

# Cleaning the wheels

- Do not use acidic wheel cleaning products to remove brake dust. This could damage wheel bolts and brake components.
- Do not park the vehicle for an extended period straight after cleaning it, particularly after having cleaned the wheels with wheel cleaner. Wheel cleaners could cause increased corrosion of the brake discs and brake pads/linings. For this reason, you should drive for a few minutes after cleaning. Braking heats the brake discs and the brake pads/linings, thus drying them. The vehicle can then be parked.

## Cleaning the paintwork

Scratches, corrosive deposits, areas affected by corrosion and damage caused by inadequate care cannot always be completely repaired. In such cases, visit a qualified specialist workshop.

- ► Remove dirt immediately, where possible, while avoiding rubbing too hard.
- ► Soak insect remains with insect remover and rinse off the treated areas afterwards.
- ► Soak bird droppings with water and rinse off the treated areas afterwards.
- ► Remove coolant, brake fluid, tree resin, oils, fuels and greases by rubbing gently with a cloth soaked in petroleum ether or lighter fluid.
- ▶ Use tar remover to remove tar stains.
- ▶ Use silicone remover to remove wax.

- Do not affix:
  - stickers
  - films
  - magnetic plates or similar items to painted surfaces. You could otherwise damage the paintwork.

If water no longer forms "beads" on the paint surface, use the paint care products recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz. This is the case approximately every three to five months, depending on the climate conditions and the care product used. If the dirt has penetrated the paint surface or if the paintwork has become dull, then the paintwork should be cleaned. For cleaning, please use the paint cleaner recommend and approved by Mercedes Benz.

Do not use these care products in the sun or on the hood while the hood is hot.

Use a suitable touch-up stick, e.g. MB Touch-Up Stick, to repair slight damage to the paintwork quickly and provisionally.

#### Matte finish care

If your vehicle has a clear matte finish, observe the following instructions in order to avoid damage to the paintwork due to incorrect care.

These notes also apply to light alloy wheels with a clear matte finish.

- Never polish the vehicle or the light alloy wheels. Polishing causes the finish to shine.
- If the following may cause the paint to become shiny and thus reduce the matte effect:
  - Vigorous rubbing with unsuitable materials.
  - Frequent use of car washes.
  - Washing the vehicle in direct sunlight.
- Never use paint cleaner, buffing or polishing products, or gloss preserver, e.g. wax. These products are only suitable for

high-gloss surfaces. Their use on vehicles with matte finish leads to considerable surface damage (shiny, spotted areas). Always have paintwork repairs carried out at a qualified specialist workshop.

- Do not use wash programs with a hot wax treatment under any circumstances.
- The vehicle should preferably be washed by hand using a soft sponge, car shampoo and plenty of water.
- Use only insect remover and car shampoo from the range of recommended and approved Mercedes-Benz care products.

# Cleaning the windows

# ♠ WARNING

Before cleaning the windshield or wiper blades, switch off the windshield wipers and remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. On vehicles with KEYLESS-GO, press the Start/Stop button repeatedly until all indicator lamps in the instrument cluster have gone out. The windshield wipers could otherwise move and injure you.

- ▶ Clean the inside and outside of the windows with a damp cloth and a cleaning agent that is recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz.
- Do not use dry cloths, abrasive products, solvents or cleaning agents containing solvents to clean the inside of the windows. Do not touch the insides of the windows with hard objects, e.g. an ice scraper or ring. There is otherwise a risk of damaging the windows.
- Clean the water drainage channels of the windshield and the rear window at regular intervals. Deposits such as leaves, petals and pollen may under certain circumstances prevent water from draining away. This can lead to corrosion damage and damage to electronic components.

### Cleaning the wiper blades

# **MARNING**

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- Do not pull the wiper blade. Otherwise, the wiper blade could be damaged.
- Do not clean wiper blades too often and do not rub them too hard. Otherwise, the graphite coating could be damaged. This could cause wiper noise.
- ► Fold the wiper arms away from the windshield.
- ► Carefully clean the wiper blades with a damp cloth.
- ► Fold the windshield wipers back again before switching on the ignition.
- I Hold the wiper arm securely when folding back. The windshield could be damaged if the wiper arm smacks against it suddenly.

# Cleaning the exterior lighting

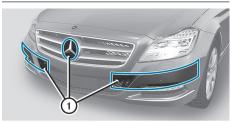
- Only use cleaning agents or cleaning cloths which are suitable for plastic light lenses. Unsuitable cleaning agents or cleaning cloths could scratch or damage the plastic light lenses.
- ► Clean the plastic lenses of the exterior lighting using a wet sponge and a mild cleaning agent, e.g. Mercedes-Benz car shampoo. Or clean the exterior lighting with cleaning cloths.

# Cleaning the mirror turn signals

Only use cleaning agents or cleaning cloths that are suitable for plastic lenses. Unsuitable cleaning agents or cleaning

- cloths could scratch or damage the plastic lenses of the mirror turn signals.
- ► Clean the plastic lenses of the mirror turn signals using a wet sponge and a mild cleaning agent, e.g. Mercedes-Benz car shampoo. Cleaning cloths may be used as well.

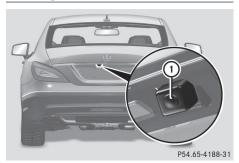
# Cleaning the sensors





- ► Clean sensors ① of the driving systems with water, car shampoo and a soft cloth.
- If you clean the sensors with a power washer, make sure that you keep a distance of at least 11.8 in (30 cm) between the vehicle and the power washer nozzle. Information about the correct distance is available from the equipment manufacturer.

# Cleaning the rear view camera



- ► Use clear water and a soft cloth to clean camera lens (1).
- Do not clean the camera lens and the area around the rear view camera with a power washer.

### Cleaning the exhaust pipes

Impurities combined with the effects of road grit and corrosive environmental factors may cause flash rust to form on the surface. You can restore the original shine of the exhaust tail pipe by cleaning it regularly, especially in winter and after washing.

- Do not clean the exhaust tail pipes with alkaline-based cleaning agents, such as wheel cleaner.
- Clean the exhaust tail pipes with a chrome care product tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz.

### Interior care

# Cleaning the display

- ▶ Before cleaning the display, make sure that it is switched off and has cooled down.
- ► Clean the display surface using a commercially-available microfiber cloth and TFT/LCD display cleaner.
- ► Dry the display surface using a dry microfiber cloth.

- For cleaning, do not use any of the following:
  - · alcohol-based thinner or gasoline
  - · abrasive cleaning agents
  - commercially-available household cleaning agents

These may damage the display surface. Do not put pressure on the display surface when cleaning. This could lead to irreparable damage to the display.

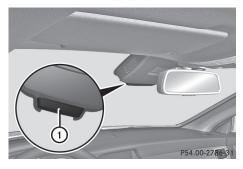
# **Cleaning Night View Assist Plus**

Never clean the camera lens. When cleaning the field of vision of the driving systems, make sure that you do not spray glass cleaner on the camera lens. If the camera lens is dirty, visit a qualified specialist workshop.

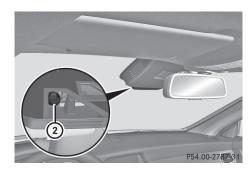
# **↑** WARNING

Always remember that your primary responsibility is to drive the vehicle. The driver must always concentrate on the road. For your safety and the safety of others, stop the vehicle before trying to clean fogged-up windows or to clean the window in front of the Night View Assist Plus camera.

Bear in mind that at a speed of only 30 mph (approximately 50 km/h), the vehicle covers a distance of 44 feet (approximately 14 m) per second.



▶ Fold down the camera cover by recess (1).



▶ Use a soft cloth to clean the windshield in front of camera ②.

## Cleaning the plastic trim

# **↑** WARNING

When cleaning the steering wheel boss and dashboard, do not use cockpit sprays or cleaning agents containing solvents. Cleaning agents containing solvents cause the surface to become porous, and as a result, plastic parts may break away and be thrown around the interior when an air bag is deployed, which may result in severe injuries.

- Do not affix the following to plastic surfaces:
  - stickers
  - films
  - scented oil bottles or similar items You can otherwise damage the plastic.
- Do not allow cosmetics, insect repellent or sunscreen to come into contact with the plastic trim. This maintains the high-quality look of the surfaces.
- ► Wipe the plastic trim with a damp, lint-free cloth, e.g. a microfiber cloth.
- Heavy soiling: use car care and cleaning products recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz.

The surface may change color temporarily. Wait until the surface is dry again.

# Cleaning the steering wheel and gear or selector lever

► Thoroughly wipe with a damp cloth or use leather care agents that have been recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz.

# Cleaning genuine wood and trim elements

- Wipe the wooden trim and trim pieces with a damp, lint-free cloth, e.g. a microfiber cloth.
- Heavy soiling: use car care and cleaning products recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz.
- Do not use solvent-based cleaning agents such as tar remover, wheel cleaners, polishes or waxes. There is otherwise a risk of damaging the surface.
- I Do not use chrome polish on trim pieces. The trim pieces have a chrome look but are mostly made of anodized aluminum and can lose their shine if chrome polish is used. Use a damp, lint-free cloth instead when cleaning the trim pieces.

If the chrome-plated trim pieces are very dirty, you can use a chrome polish. If you are unsure as to whether the trim pieces are chrome-plated or not, consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

# Cleaning the seat covers

- Do not use microfiber cloths to clean genuine leather, artificial leather or Alcantara® covers. If used often, these can damage the cover.
- Observe the following when cleaning:
  - clean genuine leather covers carefully with a damp cloth and then wipe the covers down with a dry cloth. Make sure that the leather does not become soaked. It may otherwise become rough and cracked. Only use leather care

- agents that have been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz. You can obtain these from a qualified specialist workshop.
- clean artificial leather covers with a cloth moistened with a solution containing 1% detergent (e.g. dish washing liquid).
- clean cloth covers with a microfiber cloth moistened with a solution containing 1% detergent (e.g. dish washing liquid). Rub carefully and always wipe entire seat sections to avoid leaving visible lines. Leave the seat to dry afterwards.
   Cleaning results depend on the type of dirt and how long it has been there.
- clean Alcantara® covers with a damp cloth. Make sure that you wipe entire seat sections to avoid leaving visible lines.
- Note that regular care is essential to ensure that the appearance and comfort of the covers is retained over time.

### Cleaning the seat belts

- ► Use clean, lukewarm water and soap solution.
- Do not clean the seat belts using chemical cleaning agents. Do not dry the seat belts by heating at temperatures above 176 °F (80 °C) or in direct sunlight.

# ♠ WARNING

Do not bleach or dye seat belts as this may severely weaken them. In a crash, they may not be able to provide adequate protection.

### Cleaning the headliner and carpets

- ► Headliner: use a soft brush or a cleaning agent recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz to remove heavy soiling.
- Carpets: use the carpet and textile cleaning agents recommended and approved by Mercedes-Benz.

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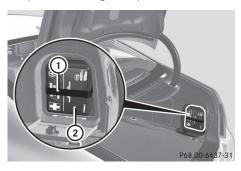
# **Useful information**

- This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safety-related systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

# Where will I find...?

### First-aid kit

- ► Open the trunk lid.
- ► Slide down the parcel net.
- ▶ Open the stowage compartment.



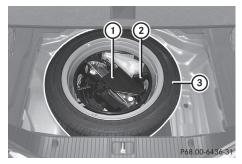
- ▶ Remove tensioning strap ①.
- ► Remove first-aid kit (2).
- Check the expiration date on the first-aid kit at least once a year. Replace the contents if necessary, and replace missing items.

# Vehicle tool kit

The vehicle tool kit can be found in the stowage well under the trunk floor.

22 AMG vehicles only.

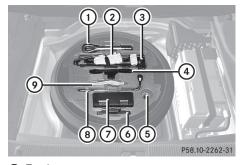
▶ Lift the trunk floor upwards (> page 266).



- (1) Vehicle tool kit tray
- ② Stowage well
- ③ "Minispare" emergency spare wheel

The vehicle tool kit contains:

- Folding wheel chock
- · Fuse allocation chart
- Jack
- Alignment bolt
- One pair of gloves
- · Lug wrench
- Towing eye
- ➤ Vehicles with a collapsible spare wheel<sup>22</sup>: lift up the trunk floor (▷ page 266).



- 1 Towing eye
- (2) One pair of gloves
- (3) Jack
- (4) Folding wheel chock
- ⑤ Alignment bolt

- 6 Sheet for faulty wheel
- Tire inflation compressor
- 8 Lug wrench
- (9) Fuse allocation chart

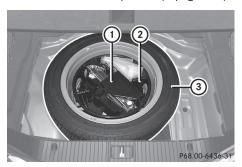
# "Minispare" emergency spare wheel/collapsible spare wheel

# Removing the "Minispare" emergency spare wheel/collapsible spare wheel

The emergency spare wheel can be found in the stowage well under the trunk floor.

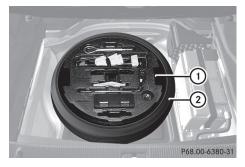
# Removing the "Minispare" emergency spare wheel

▶ Lift the trunk floor upwards (> page 266).



- ► Turn stowage tray ② counter-clockwise and remove together with vehicle tool kit tray ①.
- ► Remove "Minispare" emergency spare wheel (3).

# Removing the collapsible spare wheel: AMG vehicles



- ► Reach into cutout ① in the tool holder and lift it up.
- ▶ Remove collapsible spare wheel ②.

For further information on changing a wheel and mounting the spare wheel, see (> page 302).

## Stowing a used collapsible spare wheel

Take the following steps to stow a used collapsible spare wheel. Otherwise, the collapsible spare wheel will not fit in the spare wheel well. Mercedes-Benz recommends that you have this work carried out at a qualified specialist workshop.

- I Only place the collapsible spare wheel in the vehicle when it is dry. Otherwise, moisture may get into the vehicle.
- ▶ Unscrew the valve cap from the valve.
- ► Use the back of the valve cap to unscrew the valve insert from the valve and release the air.
- Fully deflating the tire can take a few minutes.
- Screw the valve insert back into the valve.
- ► Screw the valve cap back on.
- ► Remove the protective sheet from the vehicle tool kit and pull it over the collapsible spare wheel.
- Stow the collapsible spare wheel in the emergency spare wheel well under the trunk.

### Flat tire

## Preparing the vehicle

Your vehicle may be equipped with:

- "Minispare" emergency spare wheel
- Collapsible spare wheel
- MOExtended tires (tires with run-flat properties) (⊳ page 307)
- 1 Vehicle preparation is not necessary on vehicles with MOExtended tires.
- ▶ Stop the vehicle on solid, non-slippery and level ground, as far away as possible from traffic.
- ▶ Switch on the hazard warning lamps.
- ► Apply the parking brake firmly.
- ▶ Bring the front wheels into the straightahead position.
- ▶ Shift the transmission to position **P**.
- ▶ Vehicles with AIRMATIC: make sure that "normal" level is selected (> page 172).
- ► Switch off the engine.
- ▶ Vehicles without KEYLESS-GO: remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.
- ▶ Vehicles with KEYLESS-GO: open the driver's door.

The on-board electronics have status 0, which is the same as the SmartKey having been removed.

- ▶ Vehicles with KEYLESS-GO: remove the Start/Stop button from the ignition lock (⊳ page 135).
- ► All occupants must get out of the vehicle. Make sure that they are not endangered as they do so.
- ▶ Make sure that no one is near the danger area while a wheel is being changed. Anyone who is not directly assisting in the wheel change should, for example, stand behind the barrier.
- ▶ Get out of the vehicle. Pay attention to traffic conditions when doing so.
- ► Close the driver's door.

# Changing a wheel and mounting the spare wheel

### Preparing the vehicle

When using a different size spare wheel or emergency spare wheel, do not exceed the maximum road speed of 50 mph (80 km/h)

# / WARNING

The wheel or tire size as well as the tire type of the spare wheel or emergency spare wheel and the wheel to be replaced may differ. Mounting an emergency spare wheel may severely impair the driving characteristics. There is a risk of an accident.

To avoid hazardous situations:

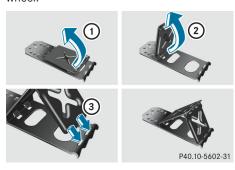
- · adapt your driving style accordingly and drive carefully.
- never install more than one spare wheel or emergency spare wheel that differs in size.
- only use a spare wheel or emergency spare wheel of a different size briefly.
- do not switch ESP<sup>®</sup> off.
- have a spare wheel or emergency spare wheel of a different size replaced at the nearest qualified specialist workshop. Observe that the wheel and tire dimensions as well as the tire type must be correct.
- 1 Vehicles without a spare wheel or emergency spare wheel are not equipped with a tire-change tool kit at the factory. For more information on which tools are required to perform a wheel change on your vehicle, e.g. wheel chock, lug wrench or alignment bolt, consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.
- ▶ Prepare the vehicle as described (⊳ page 302).
- ▶ Remove the following items (depending on the vehicle's equipment) from the stowage well under the trunk floor:
  - · emergency spare wheel
  - tire inflation compressor
  - · vehicle tool kit

- folding wheel chock
- jack
- Secure the vehicle to prevent it from rolling away.

# Securing the vehicle to prevent it from rolling away

If your vehicle is equipped with a wheel chock, it can be found in the vehicle tool kit (> page 300).

The folding wheel chock is an additional securing measure to prevent the vehicle from rolling away, for example when changing a wheel.



- ► Fold both plates upwards (1).
- ► Fold out lower plate ②.
- ► Guide the lugs on the lower plate fully into the openings in base plate (3).



Securing the vehicle on level ground

► On level ground: place chocks or other suitable items under the front and rear of

the wheel that is diagonally opposite the wheel you wish to change.



Securing the vehicle on slight downhill gradients

 On downhill gradients: place chocks or other suitable items in front of the wheels of the front and rear axle.

# Raising the vehicle

# **↑** WARNING

If you do not position the jack correctly at the appropriate jacking point of the vehicle, the jack could tip over with the vehicle raised. There is a risk of injury.

Only position the jack at the appropriate jacking point of the vehicle. The base of the jack must be positioned vertically, directly under the jacking point of the vehicle.

The following must be observed when raising the vehicle:

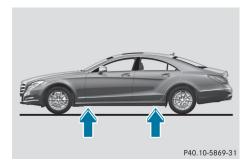
- to raise the vehicle, only use the vehiclespecific jack that has been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz. If used incorrectly, the jack could tip over with the vehicle raised.
- the jack is designed only to raise and hold the vehicle for a short time while a wheel is being changed. It is not suited for performing maintenance work under the vehicle.
- avoid changing the wheel on uphill and downhill slopes.
- before raising the vehicle, secure it from rolling away by applying the parking brake

- and inserting wheel chocks. Never disengage the parking brake while the vehicle is raised.
- the jack must be placed on a firm, flat and non-slip surface. On a loose surface, a large, load-bearing underlay must be used. On a slippery surface, a non-slip underlay must be used, e.g. rubber mats.
- do not use wooden blocks or similar objects as a jack underlay. Otherwise, the jack will not be able to achieve its loadbearing capacity due to the restricted height.
- The maximum clearance between the underside of the tire and the ground must be 1.2 in (3 cm).
- never place your hands and feet under the raised vehicle.
- never lie under the raised vehicle.
- never start the engine when the vehicle is
- never open or close a door or the trunk lid when the vehicle is raised.
- make sure that no persons are present in the vehicle when the vehicle is raised.

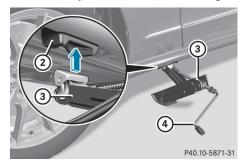


▶ Using lug wrench (1), loosen the bolts on the wheel you wish to change by about one full turn. Do not unscrew the bolts completely.

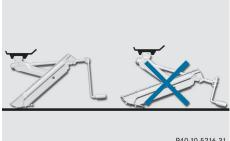
The jacking points are located just behind the wheel housings of the front wheels and just in front of the wheel housings of the rear wheels (arrows).



I The jack is designed exclusively for jacking up the vehicle at the jacking points. Otherwise, your vehicle could be damaged.



▶ Position jack ③ at jacking point ②.



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- ▶ Make sure that the base of the jack is positioned directly under the jacking point.
- ► Turn crank (4) clockwise until jack (3) sits completely on jacking point (2) and the base of the jack lies evenly on the ground.
- ► Turn handle (4) until the tire is 1.2 in (3 cm) from the ground at most.

### Removing a wheel

AMG vehicles: during removal and repositioning of the wheel, the wheel rim can strike the ceramic-brake disc and damage it. Therefore, take precautions and get a second person to assist you. Alternatively, you can use a second alignment bolt.



- ► Unscrew the uppermost wheel bolt completely.
- ► Screw alignment bolt ① into the thread instead of the wheel bolt.
- ▶ Unscrew the remaining wheel bolts fully.
- Do not place wheel bolts in sand or on a dirty surface. The bolt and wheel hub threads could otherwise be damaged when you screw them in.
- ▶ Remove the wheel.

### Mounting a new wheel

# **↑** WARNING

Oiled or greased wheel bolts or damaged wheel bolts/hub threads can cause the wheel bolts to come loose. As a result, you could lose a wheel while driving. There is a risk of accident.

Never oil or grease wheel bolts. In the event of damage to the threads, contact a qualified specialist workshop immediately. Have the damaged wheel bolts or hub threads replaced/renewed. Do not continue driving.

### **↑** WARNING

If you tighten the wheel bolts or wheel nuts when the vehicle is raised, the jack could tip over. There is a risk of injury.

Only tighten the wheel bolts or wheel nuts when the vehicle is on the ground.

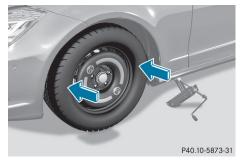
Always pay attention to the instructions and safety notices in "Changing a wheel" (> page 344).

Only use wheel bolts that have been designed for the wheel and the vehicle. For safety reasons, Mercedes-Benz recommends that you only use wheel bolts which have been approved for Mercedes-Benz vehicles and the respective wheel.

Be sure to use the original-length wheel bolts when refitting the original wheel after it has been repaired.

- Clean the wheel and wheel hub contact surfaces.
- To prevent damage to the paintwork, hold the wheel securely against the wheel hub while screwing in the first wheel bolt.
- AMG vehicles: during removal and repositioning of the wheel, the wheel rim can strike the ceramic-brake disc and damage it. Therefore, take precautions and get a second person to assist you.

  Alternatively, you can use a second alignment bolt.



Slide the emergency spare wheel onto the alignment bolt and push it on.

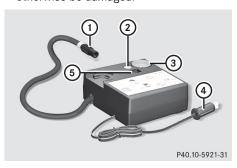
- ▶ Tighten the wheel bolts until they are finger-tight.
- ► Unscrew the alignment bolt.
- ► Tighten the last wheel bolt until it is fingertight.
- ▶ Vehicles with a collapsible spare wheel: inflate the collapsible spare wheel (⊳ page 306) and then lower the vehicle (⊳ page 306).

or

▶ Vehicles with the "Minispare" emergency spare wheel: lower the vehicle (⊳ page 306).

# Inflating the collapsible spare wheel

Inflate the collapsible spare wheel using the tire inflation compressor before lowering the vehicle. The wheel rim could otherwise be damaged.



- ▶ Pull plug (4) and the air hose out of the housing.
- ▶ Remove the cap from the valve on the collapsible spare wheel.
- ▶ Screw air hose union nut (1) onto the valve.
- ▶ Make sure the tire inflation compressor's on/off switch (5) is set to 0.
- ▶ Insert plug (4) into the socket of the cigarette lighter (> page 272) or into a 12 V power socket (⊳ page 273) in your vehicle.

- ► Make sure that the SmartKey is in position **1** ( $\triangleright$  page 135) in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press on/off switch (5) on the tire inflation compressor to I.

The tire inflation compressor is switched on. The tire is inflated. The tire pressure is read at pressure gauge (3).

Do not operate the tire inflation compressor for longer than eight minutes at a time without a break. It may otherwise overheat.

The tire inflation compressor can be operated again once it has cooled down.

▶ Inflate the tire to the specified tire pressure.

The specified tire pressure is printed on the yellow label of the emergency spare wheel.

- ▶ When the specified tire pressure has been reached, press on/off switch (5) on the tire inflation compressor to **0**.
  - The tire inflation compressor is switched
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position **0** in the ignition lock.
- ▶ If the tire pressure is higher than the specified pressure, press pressure release button (2) until the correct tire pressure has been reached.
- ▶ Unscrew air hose union nut (1) from the
- ► Screw the valve cap onto the collapsible spare wheel valve again.
- ► Stow plug (4) and the air hose in the lower section of the compressor housing.
- ▶ Stow the tire inflation compressor in the vehicle.

### Lowering the vehicle



# **⚠ WARNING**

Tire pressure that is too high or too low can lead to a blowout of the mounted emergency spare wheel/spare wheel, particularly when

driving with a heavy load and increasing speed. There is a risk of accident.

Check the tire pressure of the emergency spare wheel or spare wheel and adjust it. When doing so, observe the specified tire pressure.

- Wehicles with a collapsible spare wheel: before lowering the vehicle, inflate the collapsible spare wheel with the tire inflation compressor. The wheel rim could otherwise be damaged.
- ► Turn the crank of the jack counterclockwise until the vehicle is once again standing firmly on the ground.
- ▶ Place the jack to one side.



# **↑** WARNING

The wheels could work loose if the wheel nuts and bolts are not tightened to the specified tightening torque. There is a risk of accident. Have the tightening torque immediately checked at a qualified specialist workshop after a wheel is changed.

- ► Tighten the wheel bolts evenly in a crosswise pattern in the sequence indicated (① to ⑤). The tightening torque must be 96 lb-ft (130 Nm).
- ➤ Turn the jack back to its initial position and store it together with the rest of the tirechange tool kit in the stowage well under the trunk floor.

For further information on stowing the collapsible spare wheel, see (▷ page 301).

1 When you are driving with the collapsible spare wheel mounted, the tire pressure loss warning system or the tire pressure monitoring system cannot function reliably. Only restart the tire pressure loss warning system/tire pressure monitoring system when the defective wheel has been replaced with a new wheel.

Vehicles with tire pressure monitor: all wheels mounted must be equipped with functioning sensors. The defective wheel should no longer be in the vehicle.

# MOExtended tires (tires with run-flat properties)

With MOExtended tires (tires with run flat characteristics), you can continue to drive your vehicle even if there is a total loss of pressure in one or more tires.

MOExtended tires may only be used in conjunction with the activated tire pressure loss warning system or with the activated tire pressure monitoring system.

The driving distance in partially laden condition is approximately 50 miles (80 km), and approximately 18 miles (30 km) when fully loaded.

In addition to the vehicle load, the driving distance possible depends upon:

- speed
- · road condition
- outside temperature

The driving distance possible in run-flat mode may be reduced by extreme driving conditions/maneuvers, or it can be increased through a moderate style of driving.

The maximum permissible distance which can be driven in run-flat mode is counted from the moment the tire pressure loss warning appears in the multifunction display.

Do not exceed a vehicle speed of 50 mph

Do not exceed a vehicle speed of 50 mph (80 km/h).

# **↑** WARNING

When driving in emergency mode, the driving characteristics deteriorate, e.g. when cornering, accelerating quickly and when braking. There is a risk of an accident.

Do not exceed the stated maximum speed. Avoid abrupt steering and driving maneuvers, and driving over obstacles (curbs, potholes, off-road). This applies in particular to a laden vehicle.

Stop driving in emergency mode if:

- · you hear banging noises.
- the vehicle starts to shake.
- you see smoke and smell rubber.
- ESP® is intervening constantly.
- there are tears in the sidewalls of the tire.

After driving in emergency mode, have the wheel rims checked at a qualified specialist workshop with regard to their further use. The defective tire must be replaced in every case.

1 When replacing one or all tires, make sure that you only use tires marked MOExtended. Also ensure that they are of the specified size for the vehicle.

### **Battery**

### Important safety notes

In order for the battery to achieve the maximum possible service life, it must always be sufficiently charged.

Have the battery checked regularly at a qualified specialist workshop.

Observe the service intervals in the Maintenance Booklet or contact a qualified specialist workshop for more information.

Have the battery charge level checked more frequently if you use the vehicle mainly for short trips or if you leave it standing idle for a lengthy period.

Only replace a battery with a battery that has been recommended by Mercedes-Benz.

Consult a qualified specialist workshop if you wish to leave your vehicle parked for a long period of time.

# **↑** WARNING

Comply with safety precautions and take protective measures when handling batteries.



Risk of explosion



Fire, naked flames and smoking are prohibited when handling the battery. Avoid creating sparks.



Battery acid is caustic. Avoid contact with the skin, eyes or clothing.

Wear suitable protective clothing, in particular gloves, an apron and a face mask.

Immediately rinse acid splashes off with clean water. Consult a doctor if necessary.



Wear eye protection.



Keep children away.



Observe this Operator's Manual.

#### **Environmental note**



Batteries contain dangerous substances. It is against the law to dispose of them with the household rubbish. They must be collected separately



and recycled to protect the environment.

Dispose of batteries in an environmentally friendly manner. Take discharged batteries to a qualified specialist workshop or a special collection point for used batteries.

# **↑** WARNING

Failure to follow these instructions can result in severe injury or death.

Never lean over batteries while connecting. You might get injured.

Battery fluid contains sulfuric acid. Do not allow this fluid to come in contact with eyes, skin or clothing. In case it does, immediately flush affected area with water and seek medical help if necessary.

A battery will also produce hydrogen gas, which is flammable and explosive. Keep flames or sparks away from battery, avoid improper connection of jumper cables, smoking etc.

# **↑** WARNING

Do not place any metal objects on the battery as this could result in a short circuit.

Use leak-proof batteries only to avoid the risk of acid burns in the event of an accident.

Take care that you do not become statically charged, e.g. by wearing synthetic clothing or rubbing against textiles. For this reason, you also should not pull or push the battery over carpets or other synthetic materials.

Never touch the battery first. First, touch the outside body of the vehicle in order to release any possible electrostatic charges.

Do not rub the battery with rags or cloths. The battery could explode if touched due to electrostatic charge or due to spark formation.

Before working on the battery, e.g. loosening the battery terminals, switch off

the engine and remove the SmartKey from the ignition. On vehicles with KEYLESS-GO, make sure that the ignition is switched off. Check that all the indicator lamps in the instrument cluster are off. You may otherwise destroy electronic components, such as the alternator.

Like other batteries, the vehicle battery may discharge over time if you do not use the vehicle. In this case, have the battery disconnected at a qualified specialist workshop. You can also charge the battery with a charger recommended by Mercedes-Benz. Contact a qualified specialist workshop for further information.

The battery and the cover of the positive terminal clamp must be installed securely during operation.

Remove the SmartKey if you park the vehicle and do not require any electrical consumers. The vehicle will then use very little energy, thus conserving battery power.

Mercedes-Benz recommends that you do not carry out work on batteries yourself, e.g. removing or charging. Have this work performed at a qualified specialist workshop.

## Charging the battery

# **↑** WARNING

Never charge a battery still installed in the vehicle unless a battery charger unit approved by Mercedes-Benz is being used. Gases may escape during charging and cause explosions that may result in paint damage, corrosion or personal injury.

A battery charger unit specially adapted for Mercedes-Benz vehicles and tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz is available as an accessory. It permits the charging of the battery in its installed position. Contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center for further information and availability.

Charge the battery in accordance with the separate instructions for the battery charger.

# **⚠ WARNING**

There is a risk of acid burns during the charging process due to the gases which escape from the battery. Do not lean over the battery during the charging process.

# **MARNING**

Battery acid is caustic. Avoid contact with the skin, eyes or clothing.

- I Only charge the installed battery with a battery charger which has been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz. These battery chargers allow the battery to be charged while still installed in the vehicle.
- Only use battery chargers with a maximum charging voltage of 14.8 V.
- Only charge the battery using the jumpstarting connection point.

The jump-starting connection point is in the engine compartment ( $\triangleright$  page 311).

- ▶ Open the hood (> page 286).
- ► Connect the battery charger to the positive terminal and ground point in the same order as when connecting the donor battery in the jump-starting procedure (> page 311).
- ► Read the battery charger's operating instructions before charging the battery.

### Jump-starting

# / WARNING

Failure to follow these directions will cause damage to the electronic components, and can lead to a battery explosion and severe injury or death.

Never lean over batteries while connecting or jump starting. You might get injured.

Battery fluid contains sulfuric acid. Do not allow this fluid to come in contact with eyes, skin or clothing. In case it does, immediately flush affected area with water, and seek medical help if necessary.

A battery will also produce hydrogen gas, which is flammable and explosive. Keep flames or sparks away from battery, avoid improper connection of jumper cables, smoking, etc.

Attempting to jump start a frozen battery can result in it exploding, causing personal injury. Read all instructions before proceeding.

# **↑** WARNING

Non-combusted fuel can collect in the exhaust system and ignite. There is a risk of fire. Avoid repeated and lengthy starting attempts.

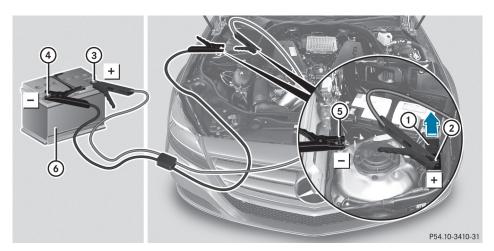
Avoid repeated and lengthy starting attempts. Otherwise, the catalytic converter could be damaged by the non-combusted fuel.

Do not use a rapid charging device to start the vehicle. If your vehicle's battery is discharged, the engine can be jump-started from another vehicle or from a second battery using jumper cables. Observe the following points:

- The battery is not accessible in all vehicles. If the other vehicle's battery is not accessible, jump-start the vehicle using a second battery or a jump-starting device.
- You may only jump-start the vehicle when the engine and catalytic converter are cold.
- Do not start the engine if the battery is frozen. Let the battery thaw first.
- jump-starting may only be performed from batteries with a nominal voltage of 12 V.
- Only use jumper cables which have a sufficient cross-section and insulated terminal clamps.
- If the battery is fully discharged, leave the battery that is being used to jump-start connected for a few minutes before attempting to start. This charges the empty battery a little.
- Make sure that the two vehicles do not touch.

### Make sure that:

- the jumper cables are not damaged.
- · bare parts of the terminal clamp do not come into contact with other metal parts while the jumper cables are connected to the battery.
- the jumper cables cannot come into contact with parts such as the V-belt pulley or the fan. These parts move when the engine is started and while it is running.
- ► Apply the parking brake firmly.
- ▶ Shift the transmission to position **P**.
- ▶ Switch off all electrical consumers (e.g. radio, blower, etc.).
- ▶ Open the hood (> page 286).



Position number 6 identifies the charged battery of the other vehicle or an equivalent jumpstarting device.

- ▶ Slide cover (1) of positive terminal (2) in the direction of the arrow.
- ► Connect positive terminal ② on your vehicle to positive terminal ③ of donor battery ⑥ using the jumper cable, beginning with your own battery.
- ▶ Start the engine of the donor vehicle and run it at idling speed.
- ► Connect negative terminal ④ of donor battery ⑥ to ground point ⑤ of your vehicle using the jumper cable, connecting the jumper cable to donor battery ⑥ first.
- ▶ Start the engine.
- ▶ Before disconnecting the jumper cables, let the engine run for several minutes.
- ▶ First remove the jumper cables from ground point ⑤ and negative terminal ④, then from positive terminal ② and positive terminal ③, each time beginning at the contacts on your own vehicle first.
- ▶ Close cover (1) of positive terminal (2) after removing the jumper cables.
- ▶ Have the battery checked at a qualified specialist workshop.
- 1 Jump-starting is not considered to be a normal operating condition.
- Jumper cables and further information regarding jump starting can be obtained at any qualified specialist workshop.

## Towing and tow-starting

### Important safety notes



If you tow the vehicle, you must use a rigid towing bar if:

- the engine is not running.
- there is a brake system malfunction.
- there is a malfunction in the power supply or the vehicle's electrical system.

The power assistance for the steering and the brake force booster do not work when the engine is not running. You will need more

force to steer and brake, you may have to depress the brake pedal with maximum force. Before towing away, make sure that the steering can be moved and is not locked. If you tow or tow-start another vehicle, its weight must not exceed the maximum permissible gross vehicle weight of your vehicle.

It is better to have the vehicle transported than to have it towed.

- The vehicle can be towed a maximum of 30 miles (50km). The towing speed of 30 mph (50 km/h) must not be exceeded. If the vehicle has to be towed more than 30 miles (50km), the entire vehicle must be raised and transported.
- Only secure the tow rope or tow bar at the towing eyes. Otherwise, the vehicle could be damaged.
- Do not use the towing eye for recovery, as this could damage the vehicle. If in doubt, recover the vehicle with a crane.
- When towing, pull away slowly and smoothly. If the tractive power is too high, the vehicles could be damaged.
- Do not tow with sling-type equipment. This could damage the vehicle.
- When towing vehicles with KEYLESS-GO, use the key instead of the Start/Stop button. Otherwise, the automatic transmission may shift to position **P** when the driver's or front-passenger door are opened, which could lead to damage to the transmission.

The automatic transmission must be in position **N** when the vehicle is being towed. The battery must be connected and charged. Otherwise, you:

- cannot turn the SmartKey to position **2** in the ignition lock
- $\bullet$  cannot shift the automatic transmission to position  $\boldsymbol{N}$

Switch off the automatic locking feature (> page 81) You could otherwise be locked out when pushing or towing the vehicle.

## Installing/removing the towing eye

# Installing the towing eye

► Remove the towing eye from the vehicle tool kit (> page 300).

# **↑** WARNING

The exhaust tail pipe may be hot. You could burn yourself if you touch the tail pipe. Be particularly careful when removing the rear cover.

The mountings for the removable towing eyes are located in the bumpers. They are at the front and at the rear, under the covers.





Example: towing eye covers





Towing eye covers (AMG vehicles)

- ▶ Pull cover ① out of the bumper in the direction of the arrow by inserting your fingers into the recess.
- ▶ Press the mark on cover ② inwards in the direction of the arrow.
- ► Take cover ② off the opening.
- ➤ Screw the towing eye in clockwise to the stop and tighten it.

# Removing the towing eye

- ► Loosen the towing eye and unscrew it.
- ▶ Place the towing eye in the vehicle tool kit.
- ► Position the top of cover ① in the bumper and press it in at the bottom until it engages.
- ► Attach cover ② to the bumper and press until it engages.

# Towing the vehicle with the rear axle raised

## Only possible on vehicles without 4MATIC.

When towing your vehicle with the rear axle raised, it is important that you observe the safety instructions (▷ page 312).

- I The ignition must be switched off if you are towing the vehicle with the rear axle raised. Intervention by ESP® could otherwise damage the brake system.
- ➤ Switch on the hazard warning lamps (> page 111).
- ➤ Turn the SmartKey to position **0** in the ignition lock and remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.
- ► When leaving the vehicle, take the SmartKey or the KEYLESS-GO key with you.

# Towing a vehicle with both axles on the ground

When having your vehicle towed, observe the important safety notes ( $\triangleright$  page 312).

# **↑** WARNING

The power assistance for the steering and the brake force booster do not work when the engine is not running. You will then need much more effort to brake and steer the vehicle. Adapt your style of driving accordingly.

The automatic transmission automatically shifts to position  ${\bf P}$  when you open the driver's or front-passenger door or when you remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock. In order to ensure that the automatic transmission stays in position  ${\bf N}$  when towing the vehicle, you must observe the following points:

- ► Make sure that the vehicle is stationary and the SmartKey in the ignition lock is in position **0**.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
  - On vehicles with KEYLESS-GO, use the key instead of the Start/Stop button (⊳ page 135).
- ▶ Depress and hold the brake pedal.
- ► Shift the automatic transmission to position **N**.
- ► Release the brake pedal.

- ► Release the parking brake.
- ► Switch on the hazard warning lamps (> page 111).
- ► Leave the SmartKey in position 2 in the ignition lock.
- 1 When towing with the hazard warning lamps switched on, use the combination switch as usual to signal a change of direction. In this case, only the turn signals for the desired direction flash. When the combination switch is reset, the hazard warning lamps start flashing again.

## Transporting the vehicle

The towing eye can be used to pull the vehicle onto a trailer or transporter for transporting purposes.

- ► Turn the SmartKey to position 2 in the ignition lock.
- ► Shift the automatic transmission to position **N**.

#### As soon as the vehicle is loaded:

- ► Prevent the vehicle from rolling away by applying the parking brake.
- ► Shift the automatic transmission to position **P**.
- ► Turn the SmartKey to position **0** in the ignition lock and remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.
- ► Secure the vehicle.
- Only lash the vehicle down by the wheels or wheel rims, not by parts of the vehicle such as axle or steering components.

  Otherwise, the vehicle could be damaged.

#### Notes for 4MATIC vehicles

Vehicles with 4MATIC must not be towed with either the front or the rear axle raised, as doing so will damage the transmission.

If the vehicle has transmission damage or damage to the front or rear axle, have it transported on a transporter or trailer.

# In the event of damage to the electrical system

If the battery is defective, the automatic transmission will be locked in position **P**. To shift the automatic transmission to position **N**, you must provide power to the vehicle's electrical system in the same way as when jump-starting (> page 311).

Have the vehicle transported on a transporter or trailer.

# Tow-starting (emergency starting)

Vehicles with automatic transmission must not be started by tow-starting. This could otherwise damage the transmission.

For further information on "Jump-starting" see (▷ page 311).

#### **Fuses**

# Important safety notes

# **MARNING MARNING**

Only use fuses that have been approved for Mercedes-Benz vehicles and that have the correct fuse rating for the systems concerned. Do not attempt to repair or bridge faulty fuses. Using fuses that have not been approved or attempting to repair or bridge faulty fuses could cause the fuse to be overloaded and result in a fire. Have the cause traced and rectified at a qualified specialist workshop.

The fuses in your vehicle serve to close down faulty circuits. If a fuse blows, all the components on the circuit and their functions stop operating.

Blown fuses must be replaced with fuses of the same rating, which you can recognize by the color and value. The fuse ratings are listed in the fuse allocation chart. If a newly inserted fuse also blows, have the cause traced and rectified at a qualified specialist workshop, e.g. an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

Only use fuses that have been approved for Mercedes-Benz vehicles and which have the correct fuse rating for the system concerned. Otherwise, components or systems could be damaged.

# Before changing a fuse

- ► Park the vehicle and apply the parking brake.
- ▶ Switch off all electrical consumers.
- ► Remove the SmartKey from the ignition lock.

The fuses are located in various fuse boxes:

- fuse box in the engine compartment on the left-hand side of the vehicle, when viewed in the direction of travel
- fuse box in the trunk on the right-hand side of the vehicle, when viewed in the direction of travel

The fuse allocation chart is located in the vehicle tool kit (> page 300) in the stowage compartment under the trunk floor.

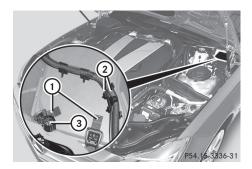
## Fuse box in the engine compartment

Make sure that the windshield wipers are turned off.

# **MARNING**

Make sure that the windshield wipers are switched off and that the SmartKey is removed from the ignition lock before you open the cover of the fuse box. Otherwise, the windshield wipers and the wiper rods above the cover could be set in motion. This could lead to you or others being injured by the wiper rods.

▶ Open the hood (> page 286).



- ► Remove any existing moisture from the fuse box using a dry cloth.
- ► Take lines ② from the guides.
- ► Move aside lines ②. Route the lines behind connection ③ to do this.
- ► To open: open clamps (1).
- ▶ Remove the fuse box cover forwards.
- Make sure that no moisture can enter the fuse box when the cover is open.
- ► **To close:** check whether the rubber seal is lying correctly in the cover.
- ► Insert the cover at the rear of the fuse box into the retainer.
- ► Fold down the cover and close clamps (1).
- ► Secure lines ② in the guides.
- The cover must be seated properly, otherwise moisture or dirt could impair the function of the fuses.
- ► Close the hood (> page 287).

#### Fuse box in the trunk

▶ Open the trunk (> page 83).



- ► To open: release cover ① at the top right and left-hand sides with a flat object.
- ► Open cover ① downwards in the direction of the arrow.

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# **Useful information**

- 1 This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safetyrelated systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

# Important safety notes

# **↑** WARNING

If wheels and tires of the wrong size are used, the wheel brakes or suspension components may be damaged. There is a risk of accident. Always replace wheels and tires with those that fulfill the specifications of the original part (designation, manufacturer, model).

# **↑** WARNING

A flat tire severely impairs the driving, steering and braking characteristics of the vehicle. There is a risk of accident.

Tires without run-flat characteristics:

- do not drive with a flat tire.
- immediately replace the flat tire with your emergency spare wheel or spare wheel, or consult a qualified specialist workshop.

Tires with run-flat characteristics:

• pay attention to the information and warning notices on MOExtended tires (tires with run-flat characteristics).

Accessories that are not approved for your vehicle by Mercedes-Benz or are not being used correctly can impair the operating safety.

Before purchasing and using non-approved accessories, visit a qualified specialist workshop and inquire about:

- · suitability
- legal stipulations
- · factory recommendations

Information on the dimensions and types of wheels and tires for your vehicle can be found in the "Wheel/tire combinations" section (⊳ page 344).

Information on air pressure for the tires on your vehicle can be found:

- on the vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar
- on the tire pressure label on the fuel filler flap
- in the "Tire pressure" section

Pay special attention to the country-specific requirements for tire approval. These requirements can stipulate a specific tire type for your vehicle. Furthermore, the use of certain tire types in certain regions and areas of operation can be highly beneficial. You can find further information regarding tires at specialist tire retailers, at qualified specialist workshops or at any authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

 Further information on wheels and tires can be obtained at any qualified specialist workshop.

# Operation

# Notes on driving

- If the vehicle is heavily laden, check the tire pressures and correct them if necessary.
- When parking your vehicle, make sure that the tires do not get deformed by the curb or other obstacles. If it is necessary to drive over curbs, speed humps or similar elevations, try to do so slowly and at an obtuse angle. Otherwise, the tires, particularly the sidewalls, can get damaged.

# Notes on regularly inspecting wheels and tires

# **↑** WARNING

Damaged tires can cause tire inflation pressure loss. As a result, you could lose control of your vehicle. There is a risk of accident.

Check the tires regularly for signs of damage and replace any damaged tires immediately.

- Regularly check the wheels and tires of your vehicle for damage (e.g. cuts, punctures, tears, bulges on tires and deformation or cracks or severe corrosion on wheels) at least once a month, as well as after driving off-road or on rough roads. Damaged wheels can cause a loss of tire pressure.
- Regularly check the tire tread depth and the condition of the tread across the whole width of the tire (▷ page 321). If necessary, turn the front wheels to full lock in order to inspect the inner side of the tire surface.
- All wheels must have a valve cap to protect the valve against dirt and moisture. Do not mount anything onto the valve (such as tire pressure monitoring systems) other than the standard valve cap or other valve caps approved by Mercedes-Benz for your vehicle.
- Regularly check the pressure of all the tires including the emergency spare wheel or the spare wheel, particularly prior to long trips, and correct the pressure as necessary (⊳ page 324).

#### Tire tread

# **↑** WARNING

Insufficient tire tread will reduce tire traction. The tire is no longer able to dissipate water. This means that on wet road surfaces, the risk of hydroplaning increases, in particular where speed is not adapted to suit the driving conditions. There is a risk of accident.

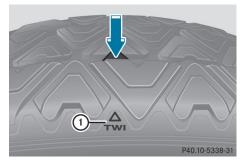
If the tire pressure is too high or too low, tires may exhibit different levels of wear at different locations on the tire tread. Thus, you should regularly check the tread depth and the condition of the tread across the entire width of all tires.

Minimum tire tread depth for:

- Summer tires: 1/8 in (3 mm)
- M+S tires: 1/6 in (4 mm)

For safety reasons, replace the tires before the legally prescribed limit for the minimum tire tread depth is reached.

Tread wear indicators (TWI) are required by law. Six indicators are positioned on the tire tread. They are visible once the tread depth is approximately  $\frac{1}{16}$  in (1.6 mm). If this is the case, the tire is so worn that it must be replaced.



Bar marking (1) for tread wear is integrated into the tire tread.

# Notes on selecting, mounting and replacing tires

- Only mount tires and wheels of the same type and make.
- Only mount tires of the correct size onto the wheels.
- After mounting new tires, run them in at moderate speeds for the first 60 miles (100 km) as they only reach their full performance after this distance.

- . Do not drive with tires which have too little tread depth, as this significantly reduces the traction on wet roads (hydroplaning).
- Replace the tires after six years at the latest, regardless of wear. This also applies to the spare wheel/emergency spare wheel.

The service life of tires depends on the following factors amongst other things:

- · driving style
- tire pressure
- · distance covered

# MOExtended tires (tires with run-flat properties)

MOExtended tires (tires with run-flat properties) allow you to continue driving your vehicle even if one or more tires are entirely deflated.

MOExtended tires may be used only in conjunction with the activated tire pressure loss warning system or the activated tire pressure monitoring system and only on wheels specifically tested by Mercedes-Benz. Notes on driving with MOExtended tires in the event of a flat tire can be found in the "Breakdown assistance" section (⊳ page 307).

# Winter operation

### Please bear the following in mind

Have your vehicle winterproofed at a qualified specialist workshop at the onset of winter. Observe the notes in the "Changing a wheel" section (⊳ page 344).

# **Driving with summer tires**

At temperatures below 45 °F (+7 °C), the elasticity of summer tires and therefore also the traction and braking capability are reduced considerably. Mount M+S tires on

your vehicle. Using summer tires at very cold temperatures could cause cracks to form, thereby damaging the tires permanently. Mercedes-Benz cannot accept responsibility for this type of damage.

#### M+S tires

At temperatures below 45 °F (+7 °C), use winter tires or all-season tires. Both types of tire are identified by the M+S marking.

Only winter tires bearing the A snowflake symbol in addition to the M+S marking provide the best possible grip in wintry road conditions. Only these tires will allow driving safety systems such as ABS and ESP® to function optimally in winter. These tires have been developed specifically for driving in snow.

Use M+S tires of the same make and tread on all wheels to maintain safe handling characteristics.

# **↑** WARNING

M+S tires with a tire tread depth of less than 1/6 in (4 mm) are not suitable for use in winter and do not provide sufficient traction. There is a risk of an accident.

M+S tires with a tread depth of less than 1/6 in (4 mm) must be replaced immediately.

Always observe the maximum permissible speed specified for the M+S tires you have mounted.

When you have mounted M+S tires:

- ► Check the tire pressures (> page 327).
- ▶ Vehicles for Canada: restart the tire pressure loss warning system (⊳ page 327).
- ► Restart the tire pressure monitor (⊳ page 328).

Drive no faster than 50 mph (80 km/h) with the spare wheel or emergency spare wheel mounted.

# **↑** WARNING

The wheel or tire size as well as the tire type of the spare wheel or emergency spare wheel and the wheel to be replaced may differ. Mounting an emergency spare wheel may severely impair the driving characteristics. There is a risk of an accident.

To avoid hazardous situations:

- adapt your driving style accordingly and drive carefully.
- never install more than one spare wheel or emergency spare wheel that differs in size.
- only use a spare wheel or emergency spare wheel of a different size briefly.
- do not switch ESP® off.
- have a spare wheel or emergency spare wheel of a different size replaced at the nearest qualified specialist workshop.
   Observe that the wheel and tire dimensions as well as the tire type must be correct.

#### **Snow chains**

For safety reasons, Mercedes-Benz recommends that you only use snow chains that have been specially approved for your vehicle by Mercedes-Benz, or are of a corresponding standard of quality.

- On vehicles with AIRMATIC, you must drive at raised vehicle level if snow chains have been mounted. The vehicle may otherwise be damaged.
- On some tire sizes there is not enough space for snow chains. To avoid damage to the vehicle or tires, observe the "Wheel and tire combinations" section under "Tires and wheels".
- only use snow chains when driving on roads completely covered by snow. Do not exceed the maximum permissible speed of 30 mph (50 km/h). Remove the snow

- chains as soon as possible if you are driving on roads that are no longer snow-covered.
- local regulations may restrict the use of snow chains. Observe the appropriate regulations if you wish to mount snow chains.
- snow chains may not be mounted on the emergency spare wheel.

If you intend to mount snow chains, please bear the following points in mind:

- snow chains may not be mounted on all wheel/tire combinations. Permitted wheel/tire combinations (▷ page 344).
- mount snow chains only in pairs and only on the rear wheels. Observe the manufacturer's mounting instructions.
- If snow chains are mounted on the front wheels, the snow chains could grind against the bodywork or components of the chassis. This could result in damage to the vehicle or the tires.
- Vehicles with steel wheels: if you wish to mount snow chains on steel wheels, make sure that you remove the respective wheels' hubcaps first. The hubcaps may otherwise be damaged.
- You may wish to deactivate ESP®(▷ page 65) when pulling away with snow chains mounted. This way you can allow the wheels to spin in a controlled manner, achieving an increased driving force (cutting action).

#### Tire pressure

# Tire pressure specifications

#### ★ WARNING

Tires with tire pressures that are too low or too high are associated with the following hazards:

- they can burst, in particular if the vehicle is heavily laden or when driven at high speeds.
- the tires can wear excessively and/or unevenly, which can severely impair tire traction.
- · the driving, steering and braking characteristics may be severely impaired.

There is a risk of accident.

Follow recommended tire inflation pressures and check the pressure of all the tires including the spare wheel:

- · monthly, at least
- · if the load changes
- · before beginning a long journey
- under different operating conditions, e.g. off-road driving

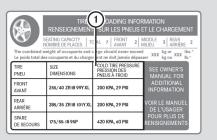
If necessary, correct the tire pressure.

The recommended tire pressures for the tires mounted at the factory can be found on the labels described here.

Option 1) Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side of the vehicle (⊳ page 331).

The Tire and Loading Information placard contains the recommended tire pressures for cold tires on a fully loaded vehicle and for the maximum permissible vehicle speed.

1 The specifications given on the following Tire and Loading Information placard are examples. Tire pressure specifications are vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data shown here. The tire pressures applicable to your vehicle can be found on the Tire and Loading Information placard on your vehicle.



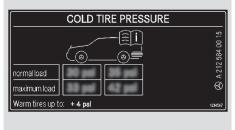
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(1) Recommended tire pressures

Option 2) Tire pressure table on the inside of the fuel filler flap.

The tire pressure table contains the recommended pressures for cold tires for various operating conditions, i.e. differing load and speed conditions.

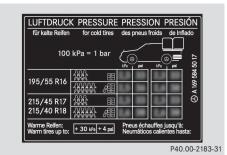
1 Specifications shown in the examples of tire pressure tables are for illustration purposes only. Tire pressure specifications are vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data shown here. Tire pressure specifications applicable to your vehicle are located in your vehicle's tire pressure table.



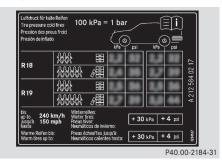
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Example: tire pressure table for all tires permitted for this vehicle by the factory

If a tire size precedes a tire pressure, the tire pressure information following is only valid for that tire size. The load conditions "partially laden" and "fully laden" are defined in the table for different numbers of occupants and amounts of luggage. The actual number of seats may differ.



Example: tire pressure table with tire dimensions Some tire pressure tables show only the rim diameters instead of the full tire size, e.g. **R18**. The rim diameter is part of the tire size and can be found on the tire sidewall (> page 338).



If the tire pressures have been set to the lower values for lighter loads and/or lower road speeds, the pressures should be reset to the higher values:

- if you want to drive with an increased load and/or
- if you want to drive at higher road speeds.
- 1 The tire pressures for increased loads and/or higher road speeds, shown in the tire pressure table, may have a negative effect on driving comfort.

Option 3) The tire pressure for the emergency/collapsible spare wheel (depending on vehicle equipment) can be found:

- printed in yellow on the rim of the emergency/collapsible spare wheel
- in the "Wheel and tire combinations" section (▷ page 344) in this Operator's Manual
- on the Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side.

If the tire pressure is not set correctly, this can lead to an excessive build up of heat and a sudden loss of pressure.

For more information, contact a qualified specialist workshop.

### Important notes on tire pressure

# **↑** WARNING

If the tire pressure drops repeatedly, the wheel, valve or tire may be damaged. Tire pressure that is too low may result in a tire blow-out. There is a risk of an accident.

- Check the tire for foreign objects.
- Check whether the wheel is losing air or the valve is leaking.

If you are unable to rectify the damage, contact a qualified specialist workshop.

# **↑** WARNING

If you fit unsuitable accessories onto tire valves, the tire valves may be overloaded and malfunction, which can cause tire pressure loss. Due to their design, retrofitted tire pressure monitors keep the tire valve open. This can also result in tire pressure loss. There is a risk of an accident.

Only screw the standard valve cap or other valve caps approved by Mercedes-Benz for your vehicle onto the tire valve.

To test tire pressure, use a suitable tire pressure gauge. The outer appearance of a tire does not permit any reliable conclusion

about the tire pressure. On vehicles equipped with the electronic tire pressure monitoring system, the tire pressure can be checked using the on-board computer.

The tire temperature and pressure increase when the vehicle is in motion. This is dependent on the driving speed and the load.

Therefore, you should only correct tire pressures when the tires are cold.

The tires are cold:

- if the vehicle has been parked without direct sunlight on the tires for at least three hours and
- if the vehicle has not been driven further than 1 mile (1.6 km)

The tire temperature changes depending on the outside temperature, the vehicle speed and the tire load. If the tire temperature changes by 18 °F (10 °C), the tire pressure changes by approximately 10 kPa (0.1 bar/ 1.5 psi). Take this into account when checking the pressure of warm tires and only correct the tire pressure if it is too low for the current operating conditions. If you check the tire pressure when the tires are warm, the resulting value will be higher than if the tires were cold. This is normal. Do not reduce the tire pressure to the value specified for cold tires. The tire pressure would otherwise be too low.

Observe the recommended tire pressures for cold tires:

- on the Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side
- in the tire pressure table on the inside of the fuel filler flap
- printed in yellow on the rim of the emergency/collapsible spare wheel (depending on vehicle equipment)

#### Underinflated or overinflated tires

#### Underinflation

#### **↑** WARNING

Tires with pressure that is too low can overheat and burst as a consequence. In addition, they also suffer from excessive and/ or irregular wear, which can severely impair the braking properties and the driving characteristics. There is a risk of an accident. Avoid tire pressures that are too low in all the tires, including the spare wheel.

Underinflated tires may:

- wear quickly and unevenly
- have an adverse effect on fuel consumption
- · overheat, leading to tire defects
- have an adverse effect on handling characteristics

#### Overinflation



# WARNING

Tires with excessively high pressure can burst because they are damaged more easily by road debris, potholes etc. In addition, they also suffer from irregular wear, which can severely impair the braking properties and the driving characteristics. There is a risk of an accident.

Avoid tire pressures that are too high in all the tires, including the spare wheel.

Overinflated tires may:

- have an adverse effect on handling characteristics
- wear quickly and unevenly
- · be more susceptible to damage
- have an adverse effect on ride comfort
- increase the braking distance

#### Maximum tire pressures

Never exceed the maximum permissible tire inflation pressure. Always observe the

recommended tire pressure for your vehicle when adjusting the tire pressure (> page 324).



- ① Example: maximum permissible tire pressure
- 1 The actual values for tires are vehiclespecific and may deviate from the values in the illustration.

# **Checking the tire pressures**

#### Important safety notes

Observe the "Tire pressure information" section (▷ page 324).

Information on air pressure for the tires on your vehicle can be found:

- on the vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar
- on the tire pressure label on the fuel filler flap
- in the "Tire pressure information" section

# Checking tire pressures manually

To determine and set the correct tire pressure, proceed as follows:

- ► Remove the valve cap of the tire that is to be checked.
- ► Press the tire pressure gauge securely onto the valve.
- ► Read the tire pressure and compare it with the recommended value on the Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side of your vehicle.

- ▶ If necessary, increase the tire pressure to the recommended value (▷ page 324).
- ▶ If the tire pressure is too high, release air by pressing down the metal pin in the valve using the tip of a pen, for example. Then check the tire pressure again using the tire pressure gauge.
- Screw the valve cap onto the valve.
- ► Repeat these steps for the other tires.

# Tire pressure loss warning system (Canada only)

# Important safety notes

While the vehicle is in motion, the tire pressure loss warning system monitors the set tire pressure using the rotational speed of the wheels. This enables the system to detect significant pressure loss in a tire. If the speed of rotation of a wheel changes as a result of a loss of pressure, a corresponding warning message will appear in the multifunction display.

The tire pressure warning system does not warn you of an incorrectly set tire pressure. Observe the notes on the recommended tire pressure (>> page 324).

The tire pressure loss warning system does not replace the need to regularly check your vehicle's tire pressures, since an even loss of pressure on several tires at the same time cannot be detected by the tire pressure loss warning system.

The tire pressure monitor is not able to warn you of a sudden loss of pressure, e.g. if the tire is penetrated by a foreign object. In the event of a sudden loss of pressure, bring the vehicle to a halt by braking carefully. Avoid abrupt steering maneuvers.

The function of the tire pressure loss warning system is limited or delayed if:

- snow chains are mounted to your vehicle's tires.
- road conditions are wintry.

- you are driving on sand or gravel.
- you adopt a very sporty driving style (cornering at high speeds or driving with high rates of acceleration).
- you are driving with a heavy load (in the vehicle or on the roof).

# Restarting the tire pressure loss warning system

Restart the tire pressure loss warning system if you have:

- changed the tire pressure
- · changed the wheels or tires
- · mounted new wheels or tires
- ▶ Before restarting, consult the Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side or the tire pressure table on the inside of the fuel filler flap to ensure the tire pressure in all four tires is set correctly for the current operating conditions.

The tire pressure loss warning system can only give reliable warnings if you have set the correct tire pressure. If an incorrect tire pressure is set, these incorrect values will be monitored.

- ► Observe the notes in the section on tire pressures (> page 324).
- ► Make sure that the SmartKey is in position **2**(▷ page 135) in the ignition lock.
- ► Press the or button to select the Service menu.
- ► Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select Tire Pressure.
- ► Press the OK button.

  The Run Flat Indicator Active
  Press 'OK' to Restart message
  appears in the multifunction display.

#### If you wish to confirm the restart:

- ► Press the OK button.

  The Tire Pressure Now OK? message appears in the multifunction display.
- ▶ Press the or button to select Yes.
- ► Press the OK button.

  The Run Flat Indicator Restarted message appears in the multifunction display.

After a teach-in period, the tire pressure loss warning system will monitor the set tire pressures of all four tires.

# If you wish to cancel the restart:

▶ Press the 🛨 button.

or

- ► If the Tire Pressure Now OK? message appears, press the or button to select Cancel.
- ► Press the OK button.

  The tire pressure values stored at the last restart will continue to be monitored.

#### Tire pressure monitor

## Important safety notes

It is the driver's responsibility to set the tire pressure to that recommended for cold tires which is suitable for the operating situation ( $\triangleright$  page 324). Note that the correct tire pressure for the current operating situation must first be taught-in to the tire pressure monitor. If there is a substantial loss of pressure, the warning threshold for the warning message is aligned to the reference values taught-in. Restart the tire pressure monitor after adjusting the pressure of the cold tires ( $\triangleright$  page 331). The current pressures are saved as new reference values. As a result, a warning message will appear if the tire pressure drops significantly.

The tire pressure monitor does not warn you of an incorrectly set tire pressure. Observe

the notes on the recommended tire pressure (> page 324).

The tire pressure monitor is not able to warn you of a sudden loss of pressure, e.g. if the tire is penetrated by a foreign object. In the event of a sudden loss of pressure, bring the vehicle to a halt by braking carefully. Avoid abrupt steering maneuvers.

If a tire pressure monitor system is installed, the vehicle's wheels have sensors that monitor the tire pressures in all four tires. The tire pressure monitor warns you if the pressure drops in one or more of the tires. The tire pressure monitor only functions if the correct sensors are installed to all wheels.

The tire pressure monitor has a yellow warning lamp in the instrument cluster for indicating pressure loss/malfunctions (USA) or pressure loss (Canada). Whether the warning lamp flashes or lights up indicates whether a tire pressure is too low or the tire pressure monitoring system is malfunctioning:

- if the warning lamp is lit continuously, the tire pressure on one or more tires is significantly too low. The tire pressure monitor is not malfunctioning.
- USA only: if the warning lamp flashes for around a minute and then remains lit constantly, the tire pressure monitor is malfunctioning.

# **↑** WARNING

Each tire, including the spare (if provided), should be checked at least once a month when cold and inflated to the pressure recommended by the vehicle manufacturer on the Tire and Loading Information placard on the driver's door B-pillar or the tire pressure label on the inside of the fuel filler flap. If your vehicle has tires of a different size than the size indicated on the Tire and Loading Information placard or the tire pressure label, you should determine the proper tire pressure for those tires.

As an added safety feature, your vehicle has been equipped with a tire pressure monitoring

system (TPMS) that illuminates a low tire pressure telltale when one or more of your tires are significantly underinflated.

Accordingly, when the low tire pressure telltale illuminates, you should stop and check your tires as soon as possible, and inflate them to the proper pressure. Driving on a significantly underinflated tire causes the tire to overheat and can lead to tire failure. Underinflation also reduces fuel efficiency and tire tread life, and may affect the vehicle's handling and stopping ability.

Please note that the TPMS is not a substitute for proper tire maintenance, and it is the driver's responsibility to maintain correct tire pressure, even if underinflation has not reached the level to trigger illumination of the TPMS low tire pressure telltale.

#### USA only:

Your vehicle has also been equipped with a TPMS malfunction indicator to indicate if the system is not operating properly. The TPMS malfunction indicator is combined with the low tire pressure telltale. When the system detects a malfunction, the warning lamp will flash for approximately a minute and then remain continuously illuminated. This sequence will be repeated every time the vehicle is started as long as the malfunction exists.

When the malfunction indicator is illuminated, the system may not be able to detect or signal low tire pressure as intended. TPMS malfunctions may occur for a variety of reasons, including the installation of incompatible replacement or alternate tires or wheels on the vehicle that prevent the TPMS from functioning properly. Always check the TPMS malfunction telltale after replacing one or more tires or wheels on your vehicle to ensure that the replacement or alternate tires and wheels allow the TPMS to continue to function properly.

# **1** USA only:

If the tire pressure monitor is malfunctioning, it may take more than ten

minutes for the tire pressure warning lamp to inform you of the malfunction by flashing for approximately one minute and then remaining lit.

When the malfunction has been rectified, the tire pressure warning lamp goes out after a few minutes of driving.

Information on tire pressures is displayed in the multifunction display. After a few minutes of driving, the current tire pressure of each tire is shown in the multifunction display.

- 1 The tire pressure values indicated by the on-board computer may differ from those measured at a gas station with a pressure gauge. The tire pressures shown by the onboard computer refer to those measured at sea level. At high altitudes, the tire pressure values indicated by a pressure gauge are higher than those shown by the on-board computer. In this case, do not reduce the tire pressures.
- The operation of the tire pressure monitor can be affected by interference from radio transmitting equipment (e.g. radio headphones, two-way radios) that may be being operated in or near the vehicle.
- **1** USA only:

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.
   Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.
- 1 Canada only:

This device complies with RSS-210 of Industry Canada. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and

2. this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device. Any unauthorized modification to this device could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

### Checking tire pressure electronically

- ► Make sure that the SmartKey is in position **2**(▷ page 135) in the ignition lock.
- Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Service menu.
- ► Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select Tire Pressure.
- ► Press the OK button.

  The current tire pressure for each wheel will be displayed in the multifunction display.

If the vehicle has been parked for longer than 20minutes, the Tire Pressures Displayed After Driving A Few Minutes message appears.

After a teach-in period, the tire pressure monitor automatically recognizes new wheels or new sensors. As long as a clear allocation of the tire pressure values to the individual wheels is not possible, the Tire Pressure Monitor Active display message is shown instead of the tire pressure display. The tire pressures are already being monitored.

i) If a spare wheel/emergency spare wheel is mounted, the system may continue to show the tire pressure of the wheel that has been removed for a few minutes. If this occurs, note that the value displayed for the position where the spare tire is mounted is not the same as the spare wheel/emergency spare wheel's current tire pressure.

# Tire pressure monitor warning messages

If the tire pressure monitor detects a significant pressure loss on one or more tires,

a warning message is shown in the multifunction display. A warning tone also sounds and the tire pressure warning lamp lights up in the instrument cluster.

Each tire that is affected by a significant loss of pressure is highlighted with a color. If the Correct Tire Pressure message appears in the multifunction display:

- ► Check the tire pressure on all four wheels and correct it if necessary.
- If the wheel positions on the vehicle are interchanged, the tire pressures may be displayed for the wrong positions for a short time. This is rectified after a few minutes of driving, and the tire pressures are displayed for the correct positions.

# Restarting the tire pressure monitor

When you restart the tire pressure monitor, all existing warning messages are deleted and the warning lamps go out. The monitor uses the currently set tire pressures as the reference values for monitoring.

The tire pressure monitor must be restarted when you set the tire pressure to a new value (as a result of changed drive or load characteristics, for example). The tire pressure monitor then monitors the new tire pressure values.

i) Canada only: in most cases, the tire pressure monitor recognizes the new reference values automatically. However, you can also define reference values manually as described here.

Restart the tire pressure monitor after you have set the tire pressure to the value recommended for the desired driving situation (▷ page 324). Only correct tire pressures on cold tires. Comply with the recommended tire pressures on the Tire and Loading Information placard the B-pillar on the driver's side. Additional tire pressure values for driving at high speeds or with heavy loads can be found in the tire pressure table on the inside of the fuel filler flap.

- Make sure that the tire pressure is correct on all four wheels.
- Make sure that the SmartKey is in position2 in the ignition lock.
- ▶ Press the or button on the steering wheel to select the Service menu.
- ► Press the ▲ or ▼ button to select Tire Pressure.
- ► Press the OK button.

The multifunction display shows the current tire pressure of the individual tires or the Tire pressures will be displayed after driving a few minutes message.

► Press the ▼ button.

The Use Current Pressures as New Reference Values message appears in the multifunction display.

# If you wish to confirm the restart:

► Press the OK button.

The Tire Press. Monitor Restarted message appears in the multifunction display.

After driving for a few minutes, the system checks whether the current tire pressures are within the specified range. The new tire pressures are then accepted as reference values and monitored.

# If you wish to cancel the restart:

▶ Press the 🛨 button.

The tire pressure values stored at the last restart will continue to be monitored.

# Loading the vehicle

# Instruction labels for tires and loads



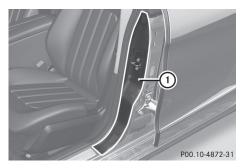
Overloaded tires can overheat, causing a blowout. Overloaded tires can also impair the steering and driving characteristics and lead to brake failure. There is a risk of accident.

Observe the load rating of the tires. The load rating must be at least half of the GAWR of your vehicle. Never overload the tires by exceeding the maximum load.

Two instruction labels on your vehicle show the maximum possible load.

- (1) The Tire and Loading Information placard is on the B-pillar on the driver's side. The Tire and Loading Information placard shows the maximum permissible number of occupants and the maximum permissible vehicle load. It also contains details of the tire sizes and corresponding pressures for tires installed at the factory.
- (2) The vehicle identification plate is on the B-pillar on the driver's side. The vehicle identification plate informs you of the gross vehicle weight rating. It is made up of the vehicle weight, all vehicle occupants, the fuel and the cargo. You can also find information about the maximum gross axle weight rating on the front and rear axle.

The maximum gross axle weight rating is the maximum weight that can be carried by one axle (front or rear axle). Never exceed the maximum load or the maximum gross axle weight rating for the front or rear axle.



① B-pillar, driver's side

# Maximum permissible load

The specifications shown on the Tire and Loading Information placard in the illustration are examples. The maximum permissible load is vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data shown here. The maximum permissible load that applies for your vehicle can be found on your vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard.



► Specification for maximum permissible load ① is listed on the Tire and Loading Information placard: "The gross weight of occupants and luggage must not exceed XXX kg or XXX lbs."

The gross weight of all vehicle occupants, load, luggage and trailer load/noseweight (if applicable) must not exceed the specified value.

#### Number of seats

1 The specifications shown on the Tire and Loading Information placard in the illustration are examples. The number of seats is vehicle-specific and can differ from the details shown. The number of seats in your vehicle can be found on the Tire and Loading Information placard.



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Maximum number of seats ① determines the maximum number of occupants allowed to travel in the vehicle. This information can be found on the Tire and Loading Information placard.

#### Determining the correct load limit

# Step-by-step instructions

The following steps have been developed as required of all manufacturers under Title 49, Code of U.S. Federal Regulations, Part 575 pursuant to the "National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966".

- ➤ Step 1: Locate the statement "The combined weight of occupants and cargo should never exceed XXX kg or XXX lbs." on your vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard.
- ➤ Step 2: Determine the combined weight of the driver and passengers that will be riding in your vehicle.
- ► Step 3: Subtract the combined weight of the driver and passengers from XXX kilograms or XXX lbs.
- ▶ Step 4: The resulting figure equals the available amount of cargo and luggage load capacity. For example, if the "XXX" amount equals 1400 lbs and there will be five 150 lbs passengers in your vehicle, the amount of available cargo and luggage load capacity is 650 lbs (1 400 750 (5 x 150) = 650 lbs).

- ▶ Step 5: Determine the combined weight of luggage and cargo being loaded on the vehicle. That weight may not safely exceed the available cargo and luggage load capacity calculated in step 4.
- ▶ Step 6 (if applicable): If your vehicle will be towing a trailer, load from your trailer will be transferred to your vehicle. Consult this manual to determine how this reduces the available cargo and luggage load capacity of your vehicle (▷ page 335).

# Example: steps 1 to 3

The following table shows examples on how to calculate total and cargo load capacities with varying seating configurations and number and size of occupants. The following examples use a load limit of 1 500 lbs (680 kg). **This is for illustration purposes only.** Make sure you are using the actual load limit for your vehicle stated on your vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard ( $\triangleright$  page 332).

		Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
Step 1	Combined maximum weight of occupants and cargo (data from the Tire and Loading Information placard)	1500 lbs (680 kg)	1500 lbs (680 kg)	1500 lbs (680 kg)

		Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
Step 2	Number of people in the vehicle (driver and occupants)	5	3	1
	Distribution of the occupants	Front: 2 Rear: 3	Front: 1 Rear: 2	Front: 1
	Weight of the occupants	Occupant 1: 150 lbs (68 kg) Occupant 2: 180 lbs (82 kg) Occupant 3: 160 lbs (73 kg) Occupant 4: 140 lbs (63 kg) Occupant 5: 120 lbs (54 kg)	Occupant 1: 200 lbs (91 kg) Occupant 2: 190 lbs (86 kg) Occupant 3: 150 lbs (68 kg)	Occupant 1: 150 lbs (68 kg)
	Gross weight of all occupants	750 lbs (340 kg)	540 lbs (245 kg)	150 lbs (68 kg)

		Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
Step 3	Permissible load and trailer load/noseweight (maximum permissible load rating from the Tire and Loading Information placard minus the gross weight of all occupants)	1500 lbs (680 kg) - 750 lbs (340 kg) = 750 lbs (340 kg)	1500 lbs (680 kg) - 540 lbs (245 kg) = 960 lbs (435 kg)	1500 lbs (680 kg) - 150 lbs (68 kg) = 1350 lbs (612 kg)

The higher the weight of all the occupants, the smaller the maximum load for luggage. Further information can be found under "Towing a trailer" (> page 335).

### Vehicle identification plate

Even if you have calculated the total load carefully, you should still make sure that the gross vehicle weight rating and the gross axle weight rating are not exceeded. Details can be found on the vehicle identification plate on the B-pillar on the driver's side of the vehicle (> page 331).

Permissible gross vehicle weight: the gross weight of the vehicle, all passengers, load and trailer load/noseweight (if applicable) must not exceed the permissible gross vehicle weight.

**Gross axle weight rating:** the maximum permissible weight that can be carried by one axle (front or rear axle).

To ensure that your vehicle does not exceed the maximum permissible values (gross vehicle weight and maximum gross axle weight rating), have your loaded vehicle (including driver, occupants, cargo, and full trailer load if applicable) weighed on a suitable vehicle weighbridge.

# Trailer load/noseweight

The trailer load/noseweight affects the gross weight of the vehicle. If a trailer is attached,

the trailer load/noseweight is included in the load along with occupants and luggage. The trailer load/noseweight is usually approximately 10% of the gross weight of the trailer and its load.

Your Mercedes-Benz has been designed primarily to carry passengers and their luggage. Mercedes-Benz does not recommend towing a trailer with your vehicle.

#### Maximum load rating

Do not overload the tires by exceeding the specified load limit. The maximum permissible load can be found on the vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side (> page 331).



 The actual values for tires are vehiclespecific and may deviate from the values in the illustration.

Maximum tire load (1) is the maximum permissible weight for which the tire is approved.

# **Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standards**

**Overview of Tire Quality Grading Standards** 



Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standards are U.S. government specifications. Their purpose is to provide drivers with uniform reliable information on tire performance data. Tire manufacturers have to grade tires using three performance factors: tread wear (1), tire traction (2), and heat resistance (3). All tires sold in North America are provided with the corresponding quality class mark on the sidewall of the tire, even though these regulations do not apply to Canada.

The actual values for tires are vehiclespecific and may deviate from the values in the illustration.

Where applicable, the tire grading information can be found on the tire sidewall between the tread shoulder and maximum tire width.

For example:

Tread wear	Traction	Temperature
200	AA	А

All passenger car tires must conform to the statutory safety requirements in addition to these grades.

#### **Tread wear**

The tread wear grade is a comparative rating based on the wear rate of the tire when tested under controlled conditions on a specified U.S. government course. For example, a tire graded 150 would wear one and one-half times as well on the government course as a tire graded 100.

The relative performance of tires depends upon the actual conditions of their use, however, and may depart significantly from the norm, due to variations in driving habits, service practices and differences in road characteristics and climate conditions.

#### **Traction**



The traction grade assigned to this tire is

based on straight-ahead braking traction tests, and does not include acceleration, cornering, hydroplaning, or peak traction characteristics.

The traction grades, from highest to lowest, are AA, A, B, and C. Those grades represent the tire's ability to stop on a wet surface as measured under controlled conditions on

specified government test surfaces of asphalt and concrete. A tire marked C may have poor traction performance.

The safe speed on a wet, snow covered or icy road is always lower than on dry road surfaces.

You should pay special attention to road conditions when temperatures are around the freezing point.

Mercedes-Benz recommends a minimum tread depth of ½ in (4 mm) for all four winter tires (⊳ page 322) to maintain normal driving characteristics in winter. Winter tires can reduce the braking distance on snow-covered surfaces in comparison with summer tires. Stopping distance, however, is still considerably greater than when the road is not covered with ice or snow. Take appropriate care when driving.

I Avoid wheelspin. This can lead to damage to the drive train.

#### **Temperature**

# **MARNING**

The temperature grade for this tire is established for a tire that is properly inflated and not overloaded. Excessive speed, underinflation, or excessive loading, either separately or in combination, can cause excessive heat build-up and possible tire failure.

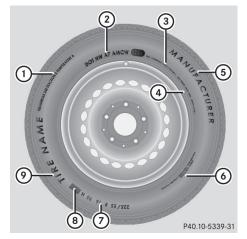
The temperature grades are A (the highest), B, and C. These represent the tire's resistance to the generation of heat and its ability to dissipate heat when tested under controlled conditions on a specified indoor laboratory test wheel. Sustained high temperature can cause the material of the tire to degenerate and reduce tire life, and excessive temperature can lead to sudden tire failure. The grade C corresponds to a level of performance which all passenger car tires must meet under the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 109. Grades B and A

represent higher levels of performance on the laboratory test wheel than the minimum required by law.

# Tire labeling

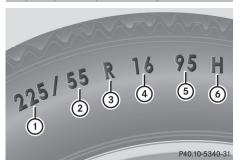
### Tire labeling overview

The following markings are on the tire in addition to the tire name (sales designation) and the manufacturer's name:



- 1) Uniform tire Quality Grading Standard (⊳ page 341)
- 2) DOT, Tire Identification Number (⊳ page 340)
- (3) Maximum tire load (▷ page 335)
- (4) Maximum tire pressure (⊳ page 326)
- (5) Manufacturer
- ⑥ Tire material (▷ page 341)
- (7) Tire size designation, load-bearing capacity and speed rating (⊳ page 338)
- Tire name
- 1 Tire data is vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data in the example.

# Tire size designation, load-bearing capacity and speed rating



- Tire width
- ② Nominal aspect ratio in %
- ③ Tire code
- (4) Rim diameter
- ⑤ Load bearing index
- Speed rating
- 1 Tire data is vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data in the example.

**General:** depending on the manufacturer's standards, the size imprinted in the tire wall may not contain any letters or may contain one letter that precedes the size description.

If there is no letter preceding the size description (as shown above): these are passenger vehicle tires according to European manufacturing standards.

If "P" precedes the size description: these are passenger vehicle tires according to U.S. manufacturing standards.

If "LT" precedes the size description: these are light truck tires according to U.S. manufacturing standards.

If "T" precedes the size description: these are compact emergency spare wheels at high tire pressure, to be used only temporarily in an emergency.

**Tire width:** tire width ① shows the nominal tire width in millimeters.

**Height-width ratio:** aspect ratio ② is the size ratio between the tire height and tire width and is shown in percent. The aspect

ratio is calculated by dividing the tire width by the tire height.

**Tire code:** tire code ③ specifies the tire type. "R" represents radial tires; "D" represents diagonal tires; "B" represents diagonal radial tires.

Optionally, tires with a maximum speed of over 149mph (240km/h) may have "ZR" in the size description, depending on the manufacturer (e.g. 245/40 ZR 18).

**Rim diameter:** rim diameter 4 is the diameter of the bead seat, not the diameter of the rim flange. The rim diameter is specified in inches (in).

**Load-bearing index:** load-bearing index (5) is a numerical code that specifies the maximum load-bearing capacity of a tire.

Do not overload the tires by exceeding the specified load limit. The maximum permissible load can be found on the vehicle's Tire and Loading Information placard on the B-pillar on the driver's side (> page 331).

#### Example:

A load-bearing index of 91 indicates a maximum load of 1,356lb (615kg) that can be carried by the tires. For further information on the maximum tire load in kilograms and pounds, see ( $\triangleright$  page 335).

For further information on the load-bearing index, see Load index (▷ page 340).

**Speed rating:** speed rating **(6)** specifies the approved maximum speed of the tire.

# **⚠ WARNING**

Exceeding the stated tire load-bearing capacity and the approved maximum speed could lead to tire damage or the tire bursting. There is a risk of accident.

Therefore, only use tire types and sizes approved for your vehicle model. Observe the tire load rating and speed rating required for your vehicle.

Regardless of the speed rating, always observe the speed limits. Drive carefully and

adapt your driving style to the traffic conditions.

Summer tires			
Index	Speed rating		
Q	up to 100mph (160 km/h)		
R	up to 106mph (170 km/h)		
S	up to 112mph (180 km/h)		
T	up to 118mph (190 km/h)		
Н	up to 130mph (210 km/h)		
V	up to 149mph (240 km/h)		
W	up to 168mph (270 km/h)		
Υ	up to 186mph (300 km/h)		
ZRY	up to 186mph (300 km/h)		
ZR(Y)	over 186mph (300 km/h)		
ZR	over 149mph (240 km/h)		

- Optionally, tires with a maximum speed of over 149 mph (240km/h) may have "ZR" in the size description, depending on the manufacturer (e.g. 245/40 ZR 18).
   The service specification is made up of load-bearing index (§) and speed rating (§).
- If the size description of your tire includes "ZR" and there are no service specifications, ask the tire manufacturer in order to find out the maximum speed. If a service specification is available, the maximum speed is limited according to the speed rating in the service specification. Example: 245/40 ZR 18 97 Y. In this example, "97 Y" is the service specification. The letter "Y" represents the speed rating and the maximum speed of the tire is limited to 186 mph (300km/h).
- The size description for all tires with maximum speeds of over 186mph

(300km/h) must include "ZR", **and** the service specification must be given in brackets. Example: 275/40 ZR 18 (99 Y). The speed rating "(Y)" indicates that the maximum speed of the tire is over 186mph (300km/h). Ask the tire manufacturer about the maximum speed.

All-weather tires and winter tires			
Index	Speed rating		
Q M+S <sup>23</sup>	up to 100mph (160 km/h)		
T M+S <sup>23</sup>	up to 118mph (190 km/h)		
H M+S <sup>23</sup>	up to 130mph (210 km/h)		
V M+S <sup>23</sup>	up to 149mph (240 km/h)		

1 Not all tires with the M+S marking provide the driving characteristics of winter tires. In addition to the M+S marking, winter tires also have the A snowflake symbol on the tire wall. Tires with this marking fulfill the requirements of the Rubber Manufacturers Association (RMA) and the Rubber Association of Canada (RAC) regarding snow traction, and were specially developed for driving on snow.

An electronic speed limiter prevents your vehicle from exceeding the following speeds:

- all vehicles (except AMG vehicles):
   130 mph (210 km/h)
- AMG vehicles: 155 mph (250 km/h)
- AMG vehicles with Performance Package: 186 mph (300 km/h)

The speed rating of tires mounted at the factory may be higher than the maximum speed that the electronic speed limiter permits.

Make sure that your tires have the required speed rating for your vehicle as specified in the "Tires" section (▷ page 344), e.g. if you buy new tires.

Further information about reading tire data can be obtained from any qualified specialist workshop.

#### Load index



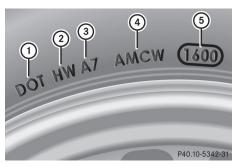
1 Tire data is vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data in the example.

In addition to the load bearing index, load index ① may be imprinted after the letters that identify speed rating 6 ( $\triangleright$  page 338) on the sidewall of the tire.

- If no specification is given: no text (as in the example above), represents a standard load (SL) tire
- XL or Extra Load: represents a reinforced tire
- · Light load: represents a light load tire
- C, D, E: represents a load range that depends on the maximum load that the tire can carry at a certain pressure

# **DOT, Tire Identification Number (TIN)**

U.S. tire regulations prescribe that every manufacturer of new tires or retreader has to imprint a TIN in or on the sidewall of each tire produced.



The TIN is a unique identification number. The TIN enables the tire manufacturers to inform purchasers of recalls and other safety-relevant matters. It makes it possible for the purchaser to easily identify the affected tires. The TIN is made up of manufacturer identification code ②, tire size ③, tire type code ④ and manufacturing date ⑤.

1 Tire data is vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data in the example.

**DOT (Department of Transportation):** tire symbol ① indicates that the tire complies with the requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

### Manufacturer identification code:

manufacturer identification code ② provides details on the tire manufacturer. New tires have a code with two symbols. Retreaded tires have a code with four symbols.

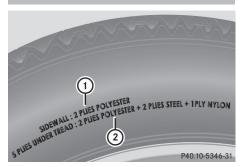
Further information about retreaded tires (> page 320).

**Tire size:** identifier (3) describes the tire size.

**Tire type code:** tire type code ④ can be used by the manufacturer as a code to describe specific characteristics of the tire.

Date of manufacture: date of manufacture (5) provides information about the age of a tire. The first and second positions represent the week of manufacture, starting with "01" for the first calendar week. Positions three and four represent the year of manufacture. For example, a tire that is marked with "3208", was manufactured in week 32 in 2008.

#### Tire characteristics



1 Tire data is vehicle-specific and may deviate from the data in the example.

This information describes the tire cord and the number of layers in sidewall ① and under the tread ②.

# Definition of terms for tires and loading

# Tire ply composition and material used

Describes the number of plies or the number of layers of rubber-coated fabric in the tire tread and sidewall. These are made of steel, nylon, polyester and other materials.

#### Bar

Metric unit for tire pressure.

14.5038 pounds per square inch (psi) and 100 kilopascals (kPa) are the equivalent of 1 bar.

#### **DOT (Department of Transportation)**

DOT marked tires fulfill the requirements of the United States Department of Transportation.

#### Normal occupant weight

The number of occupants the vehicle is designed to seat, multiplied by 68 kilograms (150 lb).

# Uniform Tire Quality Grading Standards

A uniform standard to grade the quality of tires with regards to tread quality, tire traction and temperature characteristics. Ratings are determined by tire manufacturers using U.S. government testing procedures. The ratings are molded into the sidewall of the tire.

# Recommended tire pressure

The recommended tire pressure applies to the tires mounted at the factory.

The Tire and Loading Information placard contains the recommended tire pressures for cold tires on a fully loaded vehicle and for the maximum permissible vehicle speed.

The tire pressure table contains the recommended pressures for cold tires for various operating conditions, i.e. differing load and speed conditions.

# Increased vehicle weight due to optional equipment

This is the combined weight of all standard and optional equipment available for the vehicle, regardless of whether it is actually installed on the vehicle or not.

#### Rim

This is the part of the wheel on which the tire is mounted.

# **GAWR (Gross Axle Weight Rating)**

The GAWR is the maximum permissible axle load. The actual load on an axle must never exceed the gross axle weight rating. The gross axle weight rating can be found on the vehicle identification plate on the B-pillar on the driver's side.

### Speed rating

The speed rating is part of the tire identification. It specifies the speed range for which the tire is approved.

### **GVW (Gross Vehicle Weight)**

The gross vehicle weight includes the weight of the vehicle including fuel, tools, the spare wheel, accessories installed, occupants, luggage and the drawbar noseweight, if applicable. The gross vehicle weight must not exceed the gross vehicle weight rating GVWR as specified on the vehicle identification plate on the B-pillar on the driver's side.

#### **GVWR (Gross Vehicle Weight Rating)**

The GVWR is the maximum permissible gross weight of a fully loaded vehicle (the weight of the vehicle including all accessories, occupants, fuel, luggage and the drawbar noseweight, if applicable). The gross vehicle weight rating is specified on the vehicle identification plate on the B-pillar on the driver's side.

#### Maximum loaded vehicle weight

The maximum weight is the sum of the curb weight of the vehicle, the weight of the accessories, the total load limit and the weight of the optional equipment installed at the factory.

# Kilopascal (kPa)

Metric unit for tire pressure. 6.9 kPa corresponds to 1 psi. Another unit for tire pressure is bar. There are 100 kilopascals (kPa) to 1 bar.

#### Load index

In addition to the load-bearing index, the load index may also be imprinted on the sidewall of the tire. This specifies the load-bearing capacity more precisely.

# **Curb** weight

The weight of a vehicle with standard equipment including the maximum capacity of fuel, oil and coolant. It also includes the airconditioning system and optional equipment if these are installed in the vehicle, but does not include passengers or luggage.

#### Maximum load rating

The maximum load rating in kilograms or pounds is the maximum weight for which a tire is approved.

#### Maximum permissible tire pressure

Maximum permissible tire pressure for one tire.

#### Maximum load on one tire

Maximum load on one tire. This is calculated by dividing the maximum axle load of one axle by two.

#### PSI (pounds per square inch)

A standard unit of measure for tire pressure.

# Aspect ratio

Relationship between tire height and tire width in percent.

#### Tire pressure

This is pressure inside the tire applying an outward force to each square inch of the tire's surface. The tire pressure is specified in pounds per square inch (psi), in kilopascal (kPa) or in bar. The tire pressure should only be corrected when the tires are cold.

# Tire pressure of cold tires

The tires are cold:

- if the vehicle has been parked without direct sunlight on the tires for at least three hours and
- if the vehicle has not been driven more than 1 mile (1.6 km).

#### **Tread**

The part of the tire that comes into contact with the road.

#### Bead

The tire bead ensures that the tire sits securely on the wheel. There are several steel wires in the bead to prevent the tire from coming loose from the wheel rim.

#### Sidewall

The part of the tire between the tread and the bead.

# Weight of optional extras

The combined weight of those optional extras that weigh more than the replaced standard part and more than 2.3 kg (5 lb). These

optional extras, such as high-performance brakes, level control, a roof rack or a highperformance battery, are not included in the curb weight and the weight of the accessories.

#### TIN (Tire Identification Number)

This is a unique identifier which can be used by a tire manufacturer to identify tires, for example for a product recall, and thus identify the purchasers. The TIN is made up of the manufacturer's identification code, tire size, tire type code and the manufacturing date.

### Load bearing index

The load bearing index (also load index) is a code that contains the maximum load bearing capacity of a tire.

#### **Traction**

Traction is the result of friction between the tires and the road surface.

#### **Treadwear indicators**

Narrow bars (tread wear bars) that are distributed over the tire tread. If the tire tread is level with the bars, the wear limit of  $\frac{1}{16}$  in (1.6 mm) has been reached.

# **Occupant distribution**

The distribution of occupants in a vehicle at their designated seating positions.

#### **Total load limit**

Rated cargo and luggage load plus 68 kilograms (150 lb), multiplied by the vehicle's designated seating capacity.

### Changing a wheel

#### Flat tire

The "Breakdown assistance" section (⊳ page 302) contains information and notes on how to deal with a flat tire. It also provides instructions on changing a wheel or mounting the spare wheel/emergency spare wheel.

# Interchanging the wheels

# / WARNING

Interchanging the front and rear wheels may severely impair the driving characteristics if the wheels or tires have different dimensions. The wheel brakes or suspension components may also be damaged. There is a risk of accident.

Rotate front and rear wheels only if the wheels and tires are of the same dimensions.

Always pay attention to the instructions and safety notes in the "Changing tires and mounting the spare wheel" section (⊳ page 302).

The wear patterns on the front and rear tires differ, depending on the operating conditions. Rotate the wheels before a clear wear pattern has formed on the tires. Front tires typically wear more on the shoulders and the rear tires in the center.

If your vehicle's tire configuration allows, you can rotate the wheels according to the intervals in the tire manufacturer's warranty book in your vehicle documents. If this is not available, the tires should then be replaced every 3000 to 6000 miles (5000 to 10,000 km), or earlier if the tire wear requires this. Do not change the direction of wheel rotation.

Clean the contact surfaces of the wheel and the brake disc thoroughly every time a wheel is interchanged. Check the tire pressures. For information on changing tires and mounting the spare wheel, see (> page 302). I On vehicles equipped with a tire pressure monitor, electronic components are located in the wheel.

Tire-mounting tools should not be used near the valve. This could damage the electronic components.

Only have tires changed at a qualified specialist workshop.

#### Direction of rotation

Tires with a specified direction of rotation have additional benefits, e.g. if there is a risk of hydroplaning. You will only gain these benefits if the correct direction of rotation is maintained.

An arrow on the sidewall of the tire indicates its correct direction of rotation.

You may mount a spare wheel/emergency spare wheel against the direction of rotation. Observe the time restriction on use as well as the speed limit specified on the spare wheel/ emergency spare wheel.

### Storing wheels

Store wheels that are not being used in a cool, dry and preferably dark place. Protect the tires from oil, grease, gasoline and diesel.

#### Cleaning the wheels



#### ♠ WARNING

Do not use power washers with circular-jet nozzles (dirt grinders) to clean your vehicle, in particular the tires. You could otherwise damage the tires and cause an accident.

### Wheel and tire combinations

# Please bear the following in mind

For safety reasons, Mercedes-Benz recommends that you only use tires and wheels which have been approved by

Mercedes-Benz specifically for your vehicle.

These tires have been specially adapted for use with the control systems, such as ABS or ESP®, and are marked as follows:

- MO = Mercedes-Benz Original
- MOE = Mercedes-Benz Original Extended (tires featuring run-flat characteristics)
- MO1 = Mercedes-Benz Original (only certain AMG tires)

Mercedes-Benz Original Extended tires may only be used on wheels that have been specifically approved by Mercedes-Benz. Only use tires, wheels or accessories tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz. Certain characteristics, e.g. handling, vehicle noise emissions or fuel consumption, may otherwise be adversely affected. In addition, when driving with a load, tire dimension variations could cause the tires to come into contact with the bodywork and axle components. This could result in damage to the tires or the vehicle. Mercedes-Benz accepts no liability for damage resulting from the use of tires, wheels or accessories other than those tested and approved.

Information on tires, wheels and approved combinations can be obtained from any qualified specialist workshop.

- 1 The recommended pressures for various operating conditions can be found:
  - on the Tire and Loading Information placard with the recommended tire pressures on the B-pillar on the driver's side
  - in the tire pressure table on the inside of the fuel filler flap

Observe the notes on recommended tire pressures under various operating conditions (▷ page 324).

Check tire pressures regularly, and only when the tires are cold. Comply with the

maintenance recommendations of the tire manufacturer in the vehicle document wallet.

- 1 Notes on the vehicle equipment always equip the vehicle with:
  - tires of the same size on a given axle (left/right)
  - the same type of tires at a given time (summer tires, winter tires, MOExtended tires)
- 1 On the following pages, you can find information on approved wheel rims and tire sizes for equipping your vehicle with winter tires. Winter tires are not available at the factory as standard equipment or optional extras.

If you would like to equip your vehicle with approved winter tires, you may also, in certain circumstances, require rims of the appropriate size. The sizes of the approved winter tires may deviate from that of the standard tires. This is dependent on the model and the equipment installed at the factory.

The tires and wheel rims, as well as further information, can be obtained at a qualified specialist workshop.

- ① Overview of abbreviations used in the following tire tables:
  - · BA: both axles
  - · FA: front axle
  - RA: rear axle

In the following table, the wheel/tire combinations are assigned to the vehicle models through variants, e.g. V1, V2 etc.:

V1 CLS 550<sup>24</sup>, CLS 550 4MATIC<sup>24</sup>

V2 CLS 63 AMG

 Not all wheel and tire combinations are available at the factory for all countries.

Tires				
	Summer tires	Alloy wheels	V1	V2
FA RA	255/40 R18 99 Y XL MOExtended <sup>25</sup> 285/35 R18 97 Y MOExtended <sup>25, 26</sup>	8.5 J x 18 H2 Wheel offset: 1.36 in (34.5 mm) 9.5 J x 18 H2 Wheel offset: 1.89 in (48 mm)	•	_
FA RA	255/35 R19 96 Y XL 285/30 R19 98 Y XL <sup>26</sup>	8.5 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 1.36 in (34.5 mm) 9.5 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 1.89 in (48 mm)	•	_
FA RA	255/35 ZR 19 (96 Y) XL 285/30 ZR19 (98 Y) XL <sup>26</sup>	9.0 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 1.46 in (37 mm) 10.0 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 1.85 in (47 mm)	-	•

	All-weather tires	Alloy wheels	V1	V2
FA	255/40 R18 99 H XL M+S	8.5 J x 18 H2	•	_
		Wheel offset: 1.36 in (34.5 mm)		
RA	285/35 R18 97 H M+S <sup>26</sup>	9.5 J x 18 H2		
		Wheel offset: 1.89 in (48 mm)		

	Winter tires	Alloy wheels	V1	V2
ВА	255/40 R18 99 V XL M+S 🛕	8.5 J x 18 H2 Wheel offset: 1.36 in (34.5 mm)	•	_
ВА	255/40 R18 99 V XL M+S 🛕 MOExtended <sup>25</sup>	8.5 J x 18 H2 Wheel offset: 1.36 in (34.5 mm)	•	_
FA RA	255/35 R19 96 V XL M+S 🛕 255/35 R19 96 V XL M+S 🛕	9.0 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 1.46 in (37 mm) 9.5 J x 19 H2	_	•
		Wheel offset: 2.05 in (52 mm)		
FA	255/35 R19 96 V XL M+S 🛕	9.0 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 1.46 in (37 mm)	_	•
RA	285/30 R19 98 V XL M+S 🛕 <sup>26</sup>	9.5 J x 19 H2 Wheel offset: 2.05 in (52 mm)		

 $<sup>^{25}</sup>$  MOExtended tires (tires with run-flat properties) only in combination with an activated tire pressure loss warning system or tire pressure monitor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Use of snow chains is not permitted. Observe the notes in the "Snow chains" section.

"Minispare" emergency spare wheel <sup>26</sup>			
Tires	Alloy wheels	V1	V2
T 155/60 R18 107 M	4.5 B x 18 H2	•	_
Tire pressure: 420 kPa (4.2 bar/61 psi)	Wheel offset: 1.42 in (36 mm)		

Collapsible spare wheel <sup>26</sup>				
Tires	Alloy wheels	V1	V2	
175/50 - 19 97 P	6.5 B x 19 H2	_	•	
Tire pressure: 350 kPa (3.5 bar/51 psi)	Wheel offset: 0.55 in (14 mm)			

1 The specified tire pressure is printed in yellow on the emergency spare wheel.

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# **Useful information**

- i This Operator's Manual describes all models and all standard and optional equipment of your vehicle available at the time of publication of the Operator's Manual. Country-specific differences are possible. Please note that your vehicle may not be equipped with all features described. This also applies to safety-related systems and functions.
- Please read the information on qualified specialist workshops (⊳ page 24).

#### Notes on technical data

The data stated here specifically refers to a vehicle with standard equipment. Consult a Mercedes-Benz Center for the data for all vehicle variants and trim levels.

# **Genuine Mercedes-Benz parts**

All Mercedes-Benz Centers maintain a supply of genuine Mercedes-Benz parts for necessary service and repair work. In addition, strategically located parts delivery centers provide for quick and reliable parts service.

There are more than 300,000 different genuine Mercedes-Benz parts available for Mercedes-Benz models.

Genuine Mercedes-Benz parts are subject to strict quality control. Each part has been specially developed, manufactured or selected for Mercedes-Benz vehicles and fine-tuned for them.

Therefore, only genuine Mercedes-Benz parts should be used.

# **↑** WARNING

Driving safety may be impaired if nonapproved parts, tires and wheels or safetyrelevant accessories are used. This could lead to malfunctions in safetyrelevant systems, e.g. the brake system. This could cause you to lose control of your vehicle and cause an accident.

For this reason, Mercedes-Benz recommends that you use genuine Mercedes-Benz parts or parts of equal quality. Only use tires, wheels and accessories that have been specifically approved for your vehicle.

- Air bags and Emergency Tensioning Devices, as well as control units and sensors for these restraint systems may be installed in the following areas of your vehicle:
  - doors
  - door pillars
  - · door sills
  - seats
  - · dashboard
  - · instrument cluster
  - · center console

Do not install accessories such as audio systems in these areas. Do not carry out repairs or welding. You could impair the operating efficiency of the restraint systems.

Have aftermarket accessories installed at a qualified specialist workshop. Mercedes-Benz recommends that you use an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center for this purpose.

#### **♥** Environmental note

Daimler AG also supplies reconditioned major assemblies and parts which are of the same quality as new parts. They are covered by the same Limited Warranty entitlements as new parts.

Always specify the vehicle identification number (VIN) (▷ page 351) and the engine number (▷ page 352) when ordering genuine Mercedes-Benz parts.

# Warranty

The Service and Warranty Information booklet contains detailed information about the warranties covering your vehicle.

Your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center will exchange or repair any defective parts originally installed in the vehicle in accordance with the terms of the following warranties:

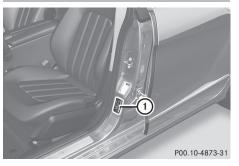
- New Vehicle Limited Warranty
- Emission System Warranty
- Emission Performance Warranty
- California, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont Emission Control Systems Warranty
- State Warranty Enforcement Laws (Lemon Laws)

Replacement parts and accessories are covered by the Mercedes-Benz Parts and Accessories warranties. You can obtain information about this from any authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

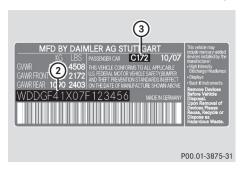
Should you lose your Service and Warranty Information booklet, have an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center arrange for a replacement. It will be mailed to you.

# **Identification plates**

Vehicle identification plate with vehicle identification number (VIN) and paint code number

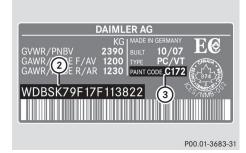


► Open the driver's door.
You will see vehicle identification plate (1).



Example: vehicle identification plate (USA only)

- ② VIN
- (3) Paint code



Example: vehicle identification plate (Canada only)

- ② VIN
- (3) Paint code
- 1 The data shown on the identification plate is example data. This data is different for every vehicle and can deviate from the data shown here. You can find the data applicable to your vehicle on the vehicle's identification plate.

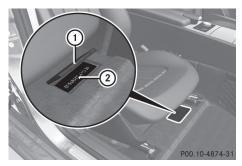
#### Vehicle identification number (VIN)

The vehicle identification number (VIN) can be found in the following locations:

- on the vehicle identification plate (▷ page 351)
- on the lower edge of the windshield (▷ page 352)

In addition to being stamped on the vehicle identification plate, the vehicle identification number (VIN) is also stamped onto the vehicle

It is located on the floor in front of the righthand front seat.



- ▶ Slide the right-hand front seat to its rearmost position.
- ► Fold floor covering (1) upwards. You will see vehicle identification number (VIN) (2).

# **Engine number**



- 1) Emission control information plate, including the certification of both federal and Californian emissions standards
- (2) Engine number (stamped into the crankcase)
- (3) VIN (on the lower edge of the windshield)

# Service products and filling capacities

#### Important safety notes

#### **↑** WARNING

Comply with all valid regulations with respect to handling, storing and disposing of service fluids. Otherwise, you could endanger persons or the environment.

Keep service fluids out of the reach of children.

For health reasons, you should prevent service fluids from coming into direct contact with your skin or clothing.

If a service fluid is swallowed, contact a physician immediately.

#### **Environmental note**

Dispose of service products in an environmentally responsible manner.

Service products include the following:

- fuels
- lubricants (e.g. engine oil, transmission oil)
- coolant
- brake fluid
- · windshield washer fluid
- · climate control system refrigerant

Components and service products must be matched. You should therefore only use products that have been tested and approved by Mercedes-Benz.

Information on tested and approved products can be obtained at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or on the Internet at http://bevo.mercedes-benz.com.

You can recognize service products approved by Mercedes-Benz by the following inscription on the containers:

- MB approval (e.g. MB approval 229.51)
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Other designations or recommendations indicate a level of quality or a specification in accordance with an MB Sheet number (e.g.

MB 229.5). They have not necessarily been approved by Mercedes-Benz.

#### **Fuel**

#### Important safety notes

# / WARNING

Gasoline is highly flammable and poisonous. It burns violently and can cause serious personal injury.

Never allow sparks, flames or smoking materials near gasoline.

Turn off the engine before refueling.

Whenever you are around gasoline, avoid inhaling fumes and any skin or clothing contact.

Direct skin contact with fuels and the inhalation of fuel vapors are damaging to your health.

# Tank capacity

Total capacity	21.1 US gal (80.0 I)
Of which reserve	Approx. 2.4 US gal (9.0 I)
Of which reserve fuel in AMG vehicles	Approx. 3.7 US gal (14.0 l)

#### Gasoline

### Fuel grade

- Do not use diesel to refuel vehicles with a gasoline engine. Even small amounts of the wrong fuel result in damage to the fuel system and engine.
- You should only refuel with unleaded premium-grade gasoline as this avoids damaging the catalytic converter.

If engine running problems are apparent, have the cause checked immediately and repaired. Excess unburned fuel can otherwise enter the catalytic converter, leading to overheating and possibly causing a fire.

- I To ensure the longevity and full performance of the engine, only premiumgrade unleaded gasoline may be used. If there is no premium-grade unleaded gasoline available and regular unleaded gasoline must be used, please observe the following precautions:
  - only fill the fuel tank to half full with regular unleaded gasoline and fill the rest with premium-grade unleaded gasoline as soon as possible.
  - do not drive at the maximum speed.
  - · avoid sudden acceleration.
  - if the vehicle is carrying a light load, e.g. two passengers without luggage, do not allow the engine to rev above 3000 rpm.
  - if the vehicle is fully loaded or is being operated in mountainous terrain, do not depress the accelerator pedal further than \(^2\)3 of the pedal travel.

Only refuel with premium-grade unleaded gasoline with a minimum octane number of 91.

Reformulated Gasoline (RFG) and/or unleaded gasoline with additives can be used. However, the concentration of additives in the fuel must be less than 10%, e.g.

- Ethanol
- TAME
- ETBE
- IPA
- TBA

For MTBE, the concentration should not exceed 15%.

The concentration of methanol in gasoline including other additives must not exceed 3%.

Using mixtures of methanol and ethanol is not permitted. Gasohol, a mixture of 10% ethanol and 90% unleaded gasoline, can be used.

All of these mix fuels must fulfill the fuel requirements, e.g.:

- · knock resistance
- · boiling point
- vapor pressure

You will usually find information about the fuel grade on the pump. If you cannot find the label on the pump, ask the staff for assistance.

• For further information, consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center or visit http://www.mbusa.com (USA only).

Information on refueling (⊳ page 149).

#### **Additives**

Do not refuel with low-grade fuel and do not use fuel additives that are not tested and approved for Mercedes-Benz vehicles. Damage to or malfunctions of the fuel system may otherwise occur.

One of the main problems of poor fuel quality is the forming of deposits that are created during the gasoline combustion process. Mercedes-Benz recommends that you use branded fuels that have additives.

If you use fuels without these additives over a longer period of time, carbon deposits may build up. These deposits form at the inlet valves and in the combustion chamber in particular.

This could lead to engine problems, e.g.:

- longer engine warm-up phase
- uneven idle
- engine noise
- · misfiring
- · loss of power

Carbon deposits may form if the availability of gasoline with relevant additives is insufficient (in certain regions). In this case, Mercedes-Benz recommends additives approved for use in Mercedes-Benz vehicles; see http://bevo.mercedes-benz.com.

Do not mix other fuel additives with fuel. This causes unnecessary costs and could damage the engine.

### **Engine oil**

# Please bear the following in mind

Never use engine oil or an oil filter of a specification other than is necessary to fulfill the prescribed service intervals. Do not change the engine oil or oil filter in order to achieve longer replacement intervals than those prescribed. You could otherwise cause engine damage or damage to the exhaust gas aftertreatment.

Follow the instructions in the service interval display regarding the oil change. Otherwise, you may damage the engine and the exhaust gas aftertreatment.

The engine oils are matched to the performance of Mercedes-Benz engines and service intervals. You should therefore only use engine oils and oil filters that are approved for vehicles with maintenance systems.

For a list of approved engine oils and oil filters, consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. Or visit the website http://bevo.mercedes-benz.com.

The table shows which engine oils have been approved for your vehicle.

Model	Engine model	MB Approval
CLS 550 <sup>27</sup> CLS 550 4MATIC <sup>27</sup>	278	229.5
CLS 63 AMG <sup>28</sup>	157	

For a list of approved products, consult an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center. Comply with the instructions for use on the product label.

<sup>27</sup> BlueEFFICIENCY

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Only SAE 0W-40/SAE 5W-40 engine oils may be used.

 MB approval is indicated on the oil containers.

### Filling capacities

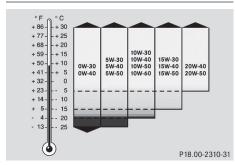
The following values refer to an oil change including the oil filter.

Model	Capacity
CLS 550 <sup>29</sup>	8.5 US qt (8.0 I)
CLS 550 4MATIC <sup>29</sup>	
CLS 63 AMG	9.0 US qt (8.5 I) <sup>30</sup>

#### **Additives**

Do not use any additives in the engine oil. This could damage the engine.

# **Engine oil viscosity**



Viscosity describes the flow characteristics of a fluid. If an engine oil has a high viscosity, this means that it is thick; a low viscosity means that it is thin.

Select an engine oil with an SAE (viscosity) classification suitable for the prevailing outside temperatures. The table shows you which SAE classifications are to be used. The low-temperature characteristics of engine oils can deteriorate significantly, e.g. as a result of aging, soot and fuel deposits. It is therefore strongly recommended that you carry out regular oil changes using an

approved engine oil with the appropriate SAE classification.

#### **Brake fluid**

# **⚠ WARNING**

Over a period of time, the brake fluid absorbs moisture from the air; this lowers its boiling point.

If the boiling point of the brake fluid is too low, vapor pockets may form in the brake system when the brakes are applied hard (e.g. when driving downhill). This would impair braking efficiency.

You should have the brake fluid renewed at regular intervals. The brake fluid change intervals can be found in the Maintenance Booklet.

Only use brake fluid approved by Mercedes-Benz. Information about approved brake fluid can be obtained at any qualified specialist workshop or on the Internet at http://bevo.mercedes-benz.com.

#### Coolant

#### Important safety notes

# **⚠ WARNING**

Antifreeze is highly flammable. Fire, naked flames and smoking are prohibited when handling antifreeze.

If antifreeze comes into contact with hot engine parts, it may ignite and you could burn yourself. Do not spill any antifreeze on hot engine parts.

I Only add coolant that has been premixed with the desired antifreeze protection. You could otherwise damage the engine.

Further information on coolants can be found in the Mercedes-Benz Specifications for Service Products, MB Specifications for

<sup>29</sup> BlueEFFICIENCY

<sup>30</sup> Including external oil cooler.

Service Products 310.1, e.g. on the Internet at

http://bevo.mercedes-benz.com. Or contact a qualified specialist workshop.

Always use a suitable coolant mixture, even in countries where high temperatures prevail.

Otherwise, the engine cooling system is not sufficiently protected from corrosion and overheating.

The coolant is a mixture of water and antifreeze/corrosion inhibitor. It performs the following tasks:

- · corrosion protection
- antifreeze protection
- raising the boiling point

If the coolant has antifreeze protection down to -35 °F (-37 °C), the boiling point of the coolant under operating conditions is approximately 266 °F (130 °C).

The antifreeze/corrosion inhibitor concentration in the engine cooling system should:

- be at least 50 %. This will protect the engine cooling system against freezing down to approximately -35 °F (-37 °C).
- not exceed 55% (antifreeze protection down to -49 °F [-45 °C]). Otherwise, heat will not be dissipated as effectively.

If the vehicle has lost coolant, add equal amounts of water and antifreeze/corrosion inhibitor. Mercedes-Benz recommends an antifreeze/corrosion inhibitor concentrate in accordance with MB Specifications for Service Products 310.1.

The coolant is checked with every maintenance interval at a qualified specialist workshop.

 When the vehicle is first delivered, it is filled with a coolant mixture that ensures adequate antifreeze and corrosion protection.

# Capacity

Model	Capacity
All models except AMG vehicles	Approx. 14.8 US qt (14.0 l)
CLS 63 AMG	Without auxiliary radiator: Approx. 13.6 US qt (12.9 l) With auxiliary radiator: Approx. 14.8 US qt (14.0 l)

1 Use MB 325.0 or MB 326.0 corrosion inhibitor/antifreeze.

#### Washer fluid



### **↑** WARNING

Washer solvent/antifreeze is highly flammable. Do not spill washer solvent/ antifreeze on hot engine parts, because it may ignite and burn. You could be seriously burned.

- I Only use washer fluid that is suitable for plastic lamp lenses, e.g. MB SummerFit or MB WinterFit. Unsuitable washer fluid could damage the plastic lenses of the headlamps.
- Do not add distilled or de-ionized water to the washer fluid container. Otherwise, the level sensor may be damaged.
- Only MB SummerFit and MB WinterFit washer fluid should be mixed together. The spray nozzles may otherwise become blocked.

At temperatures above freezing:

- Fill the washer fluid reservoir with a mixture of water and windshield washer fluid, e.g. MB SummerFit.
- ► Add 1 part MB SummerFit to 100 parts water.

At temperatures below freezing:

- ► Fill the washer fluid reservoir with a mixture of water and windshield washer fluid, e.g. MB WinterFit. Adapt the mixing ratio to the outside temperature.
- ► Down to 14 °F (-10 °C): mix 1 part MB WinterFit with 2 parts water.
- ► Down to -4 °F (-20 °C): mix 1 part MB WinterFit with 1 part water.
- ► Down to -20.2 °F (-29 °C): mix 2 parts MB WinterFit with 1 part water.

Model	Capacity
All models	6.3 US qt (6.0 I)

1 Add windshield washer fluid, e.g. MB SummerFit or MB WinterFit, to the washer fluid all year round.

# Vehicle data

Please note that for the specified vehicle data:

- the heights specified may vary as a result of:
  - tires
  - load
  - condition of the suspension
  - optional equipment
- the vehicle length specified includes the front license plate adapter.

All models (except AMG vehicles)	
Vehicle length	194.6 in (4942 mm)
Vehicle width including exterior mirrors	81.7 in (2075 mm)
Vehicle height	55.3 in (1404 mm)
Wheelbase	113.1 in (2874 mm)
Turning radius	37.0 ft (11.27 m)
Maximum roof load	220 lb (100 kg)
Maximum trunk load	220 lb (100 kg)

CLS 63 AMG		
196.7 in (4996 mm)		
81.7 in (2075 mm)		
55.4 in (1406 mm)		
113.1 in (2874 mm)		
37.1 ft (11.30 m)		
220 lb (100 kg)		
220 lb (100 kg)		

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