

Mercedes-Benz SLR McLaren  
Maintenance Booklet



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## **PLEASE NOTE**

**WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU HAVE YOUR VEHICLE SERVICED BY YOUR AUTHORIZED MERCEDES-BENZ CENTER WHO IS FULLY EQUIPPED TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE AND THAT GENUINE MERCEDES-BENZ PARTS BE USED.**

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

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

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**Vehicle data**

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Model

▶

License Plate No.

▶

Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)

▶

License Plate No.

▶

Date of initial registration

▶

License Plate No.

▶

Paint color and code

▶

License Plate No.

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### Protecting the environment



Natural resources form the basis of our existence on this planet. The objectives of our policy are for these resources to be used sparingly and in a manner which takes the requirements of both nature and humanity into account.

Our declared policy is integrated environmental protection. This policy starts at the root causes and encompasses in its management decisions all the consequences for the environment which could arise from production processes or the products themselves.

You too can help to protect the environment by operating your Mercedes-Benz SLR in an environmentally responsible manner.

Operating conditions and your individual driving style to a large extent influence fuel consumption and the rate of engine, brake, and tire wear. To reduce fuel consumption and the rate of wear, please consider the following:

- Avoid short trips.
- Make sure that the tire pressures are always correct.
- Avoid frequent, abrupt acceleration.
- Do not carry any unnecessary weight.
- Remove ski holders and roof racks once you no longer need them.
- Do not warm up the engine with the car stationary.
- Shift gears such that each gear is used only up to 2/3 of its maximum engine speed.
- Keep an eye on the vehicle's fuel consumption.

A regularly serviced vehicle will also help protect the environment. You should adhere to the maintenance intervals displayed by the Maintenance System service indicator, along with other maintenance work described in this booklet.

We recommend that you have services performed by an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center using Genuine Mercedes-Benz parts.

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### Introduction

We want you to enjoy your Mercedes-Benz SLR automobile. Vehicle safety and operational reliability are two very important factors and to maintain them, regular maintenance services are necessary.

We continuously strive to improve our product, and ask for your understanding that we reserve the right to make changes in the required periodic maintenance work which is required for our vehicles.

Your Mercedes-Benz SLR comes equipped with the **Mercedes-Benz SLR Maintenance System**. The Maintenance System tracks distance driven and the time elapsed since your last service. The next necessary maintenance service is indicated in the maintenance service indicator in the instrument cluster.

Additional work that is not calculated by the Maintenance System is required at maintenance intervals. Please refer to

“Additional Work to be Performed” on page 58 for more details.

Following each service, your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center will reset the Maintenance System service indicator by confirming the service items performed.



If the Maintenance System service counter was inadvertently reset, have a Mercedes-Benz Center correct it. Please only reset if the proper maintenance service has been performed. Resetting the system without performing the proper service will result in engine and/or other vehicle damage not covered by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty.

A detailed listing of service procedures performed are contained in this booklet, starting on page 49.

#### **Additional work**

Additional work means any work that is not calculated by the Maintenance System. This work is listed in the section “Additional Work to be Performed”, see page 58. This type of work has to be carried out according to the individual vehicle type, due to the specific technical parameters, wear processes or special equipment on each different vehicle.

#### **Special service requirements**

**Brake fluid** should be replaced every two years, preferably in the spring, see page 59. We recommend that you only use brake fluid approved by Mercedes-Benz. A reminder for the next scheduled brake fluid replacement is affixed in the engine compartment.

**Coolant** should be checked for the proper concentration before the start of the winter season (or once a year in hot regions). Have the coolant (water/anticorrosion/antifreeze mixture) replaced every 4 years, see page 59.

Replacement of coolant (water/anticorrosion/antifreeze mixture) may be required more frequently if coolant is not maintained according to instructions and/or other than approved anticorrosion/antifreeze products for your vehicle are being used. For instructions on coolant, see “Coolants” in your vehicle Operator’s Manual. For a listing of approved anticorrosion/antifreeze products for your vehicle, refer to the Factory Approved Service Products pamphlet in your vehicle literature portfolio, or contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

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**Interior filters** (e.g. dust filter, recirculating air filter, activated charcoal filter or combination filter) are replaced according to the maintenance intervals listed. Under severe dust conditions, or with the Climate Control frequently operating in the air recirculation mode, the respective filter should be replaced correspondingly sooner.

**Tire inspection** - Your vehicle's tires are a critical component to overall vehicle performance and vehicle stability. The useful life of tires will vary and is proportional to tire type, speed rating, ambient conditions, tire loading, tire inflation pressure, road surfaces, and individual driving style, among other factors. Therefore, Mercedes-Benz recommends regular checks for wear and proper inflation.

The first tire inspection, which includes checking for proper inflation pressure and tread condition, is at no charge provided it is performed at an authorized

Mercedes-Benz Center prior to 6,500 miles on the vehicle odometer.

For your convenience, this Maintenance Booklet contains a tire inspection confirmation page on which you can record the date and mileage when tire inspections were performed.

**Tire rotation** - Tire rotations can only be performed on vehicles with the same tire dimensions on all four wheels (e.g. winter tires). In cases where your vehicle is configured with staggered tire sizes (different tire sizes, front vs. rear), tire rotations are not possible.

If your vehicle's tire configuration allows for rotation, tire rotation should be performed by observing a front-to-rear pattern that will maintain the intended rotational (spinning) direction of the tire (on unidirectional tires, an arrow on the sidewall indicates the intended rotation or spinning direction of the tire) and in accordance with the tire manufacturer's recommended intervals, or sooner at first signs of irregular (uneven) tread wear.

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Tire manufacturer's rotation recommendations will necessitate a tire rotation at least once in between maintenance services and at every maintenance service based on Mercedes-Benz SLR maintenance intervals.

The first tire rotation is at no charge provided it is performed at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center prior to 6,500 miles on the vehicle odometer.

For your convenience, this Maintenance Booklet contains a tire rotation confirmation page on which you can record the date and mileage when tire rotations were performed.

**Spark Plugs** should be replaced according to schedule on page 60. Severe operating conditions (frequent starting and stopping, excessive idling, sustained fast highway driving) may call for spark plugs to be replaced correspondingly sooner.

**Engine oils and oil filters** are specifically tested for their suitability in our engines and durability for our service intervals. Therefore, only use approved engine oils and oil filters required for vehicles with Maintenance System. For a listing of approved engine oils and oil filters, refer to the Factory Approved Service products pamphlet, or contact an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.

Using engine oils and oil filters of specification other than those expressly required for the Maintenance System or changing of oil and oil filter at change intervals longer than those called for by the Maintenance System will result in engine damage not covered by the Mercedes-Benz Limited Warranty.

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#### Regular checks

In addition to the services, we recommend that you check the following items regularly (for example: weekly, when refueling, or before any long journey):

- **Engine oil level** - Check the engine oil level using the multifunction steering wheel/multifunction display oil level check. Further information about engine oil level measurement can be found in the vehicle Operator's Manual.
- **Coolant level** - Please refer to the Operator's Manual for the correct procedure to check the coolant level.
- **Brake fluid level** - If brake fluid has to be added, see an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center to determine the cause, e.g. leaks or worn brake pads.
- **Windshield washing system** - If the washer fluid level drops below 1/3, the windshield washer fluid level warning lamp will illuminate. Add washer fluid mixed with Mercedes-Benz windshield washer solvent/concentrate, test function and check wiper blades.
- **Check lights**
- **Tire condition and pressures** - Check at least every other week. Please refer to section "Tires and wheels" in the Operator's Manual for guidelines and correct procedures to check tire condition and pressures.

Please refer to the Factory Approved Service Products booklet or see your Mercedes-Benz Center for more information on selecting the proper fluids, lubricants, and oils for your vehicle.

#### Notes on the warranty

An extensive and well-equipped network of Mercedes-Benz Centers is at your disposal for service work. Your authorized Mercedes-Benz SLR can ensure that your vehicle is professionally and thoroughly serviced and repaired.

Please see the Service and Warranty Information booklet for detailed information on warranty terms and coverage.

**Please follow the instructions given in this Maintenance Booklet, even if you entrust the vehicle to a third party for use or care. Only in this way will you be able to ensure that your warranty rights are not affected.**

**Service, replacement, or repair of the emission control devices and systems can be performed by any automotive repair establishment or individual using certified parts.**

**We strongly recommend that you have your vehicle serviced by your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center which is fully equipped to provide this service.**

Please note that engines have to be serviced in accordance with special instructions and using special measuring equipment to comply with legal requirements concerning exhaust emissions. Modifications to or tampering with emissions components is not permissible. Your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center is familiar with the relevant regulations.

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#### **Parts / Operating materials**

We recommend only the use of Genuine Mercedes-Benz parts for service and repairs, since they meet our specifications. It is also important to only use fuels, lubricants and anticorrosion/antifreeze coolant meeting factory specifications. Please refer to the Factory Approved Service Products booklet or see your Mercedes-Benz Center for more information on this subject.

#### **Service records**

Your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center will certify in the Maintenance Booklet the maintenance services on your vehicle which it has performed.

Other than the maintenance services described, the Maintenance Booklet does not record or reflect any repair work that may have been performed to your vehicle. Please keep those receipts with your vehicle records.

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

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

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

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### Emission System Maintenance

#### General

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and, in California, the Air Resources Board have certified that the emission control systems of your vehicle comply with the applicable exhaust emission standards for model year 2005 vehicles. This vehicle also complies with the applicable Canadian Motor Vehicle Emission Standards.

To be certain that the emission control systems function as designed, regular maintenance is necessary for components of the vehicle which affect exhaust and evaporation emissions composition.

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

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

Explanations of each maintenance job are given in numerical order on page 63.

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### Emission System Maintenance

#### Emission Control System Caution - Gasoline Engines

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

The following has to be adhered to:

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

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**d) The operation of the emission control system must not be altered in any way.** Alterations are not permissible by law. In addition, alterations may result in damage to the catalysts, increased fuel consumption, and impaired engine running conditions.

**e) Irregular engine running conditions should be corrected immediately by an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center.** Such irregular running conditions can influence the proper function of the emission control system.

If the “CHECK ENGINE” indicator lamp in the instrument cluster illuminates when the engine is running, it indicates a possible malfunction of the engine management system or emission control system.

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

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**Notes**

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**Confirmations**

**First visit: 1,000 miles - 3,000 miles**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Performed Yes/No

Diagnostic test

Q+A on vehicle

Rubber stamp

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**First visit  
provided at  
no charge\***

\*This first visit for a basic vehicle diagnostic test at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center is provided at no charge. Please refer to the Service and Warranty Information Booklet for full details.

**First visit:  
1,000 miles -  
3,000 miles**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Appointment Month/year

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### Confirmations

### Tire inspection or rotation

If applicable to your vehicle's tire configuration (see page 6), tire rotation should be performed in accordance with the tire manufacturer's recommended intervals, or sooner at first signs of irregular (uneven) tread wear. Tire manufacturer's rotation recommendations will necessitate a tire rotation at least once in between maintenance and at every maintenance service based on Mercedes-Benz maintenance intervals.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Tire rotation should be performed in accordance with the tire manufacturer's recommendations in the Tire Warranty Pamphlet included in your vehicle literature portfolio. However, tires should be rotated at the first sign of irregular (uneven) tread wear, even if it occurs before the recommended rotation intervals, and should be checked regularly for wear and proper inflation. Please note that the useful life of tires will vary and is proportional to tire type, speed rating, ambient conditions, tire loading, tire inflation pressure, road surfaces, and individual driving style, among other factors.

The first tire inspection or rotation (if applicable) occurring at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center at any time up to 6,500 miles (vehicle odometer) is provided at no charge.

### First tire inspection or rotation provided at no charge\*

\*This first tire inspection or rotation (if applicable) at an authorized Mercedes-Benz Center at any time up to 6,500 miles (vehicle odometer) is provided at no charge. Please refer to the Service and Warranty Information Booklet for full details.

### Reminder: Tire inspection or rotation

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## Tire inspection or rotation

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 10,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**First  
Maintenance  
due  
10,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 20,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
20,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 30,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
30,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 40,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
40,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 50,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
50,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 60,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
60,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 70,000 miles**  
**Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
70,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 80,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
80,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 90,000 miles**  
**Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
90,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 100,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
100,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 110,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
110,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 120,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
120,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 130,000 miles**  
**Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
130,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Maintenance Booklet**

**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 140,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
140,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

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**Confirmations**

**Maintenance: 150,000 miles  
Service and applicable Additional Work, and  
recommended High-Mileage checks**

For scope of work, refer to maintenance overview and description of maintenance services starting on page 49.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Maintenance service completed:

Odometer: \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Brand / viscosity: \_\_\_\_\_

Rubber stamp

Repair order no. (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

**Next  
Maintenance  
due  
150,000 miles  
or**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Month/year

**Required Vehicle Maintenance Service Work  
(including Emission System Maintenance)**

Notes:

Overviews of maintenance services and intervals can be found starting on page 50.  
Maintenance services must be performed at number of miles or years (whichever comes first) as indicated,  
except where no time interval available or otherwise noted.

If your vehicle exceeds the mileage shown in the maintenance service overview, continue to maintain the vehicle by having performed  
the maintenance services at the time or mileage intervals (whichever comes first) as indicated starting on page 52.

Detailed descriptions for each maintenance service can be found starting on page 52.

For description of emission system maintenance jobs, see page 63.

The four digit-numbers listed next to the maintenance services  
are reference numbers of the detailed maintenance job descriptions  
listed in the Mercedes-Benz maintenance information used by Mercedes-Benz technicians.

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Miles	1,000 - 3,000	10,000	20,000	30,000	40,000	50,000	60,000	70,000
Time (Years)	----	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>First visit</b> (▷ page 52)		•						
<b>Tire rotation</b> (▷ page 53)	If applicable to your vehicle's tire configuration (see page 6), tire rotations should be performed in accordance with the tire manufacturer's recommended intervals, or sooner at first signs of irregular (uneven) treadwear. Tire manufacturer's rotation recommendations will necessitate a tire rotation at least once in between maintenance services and at every maintenance service based on Mercedes-Benz maintenance intervals.							
<b>Service</b> (▷ page 54)		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
<b>Additional Work:</b> (▷ page 58)		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Query service history in MaySIS before		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Record customer's vehicle settings		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Wash vehicle		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Check body for paint damage		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Check battery status		•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Replace combination filter			•		•		•	
Replace engine air filter			•		•		•	
Replace poly-V-belt					•			
Replace compressor poly-V-belt					•			
Replace wheel nuts					• <sup>2</sup>			
Replace fuel filter							• <sup>3</sup>	
Replace spark plugs							• <sup>3</sup>	
Replace brake fluid			• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Check vehicle ride height and wheel loads			• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Check wheel settings			• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Replace screws of underbody paneling			• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Replace coolant for main circuit					• <sup>1</sup>			
Replace coolant for low temperature circuit					• <sup>1</sup>			
Replace battery in remote control key						• <sup>1</sup>		
Replace rear differential oil		•						

#### High-mileage checks (▷ page 61)

<sup>1</sup> not mileage dependent; only time-interval applies    <sup>2</sup> at 40,000 miles or 3 years    <sup>3</sup> at 60,000 miles or 4 years

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### Maintenance service overview Mercedes-Benz SLR (199)

Miles	80,000	90,000	100,000	110,000	120,000	130,000	140,000	150,000
Time (Years)	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

#### First visit

Service	80,000	90,000	100,000	110,000	120,000	130,000	140,000	150,000
<b>Tire rotation</b>	If applicable to your vehicle's tire configuration (see page 6), tire rotations should be performed in accordance with the tire manufacturer's recommended intervals, or sooner at first signs of irregular (uneven) treadwear. Tire manufacturer's rotation recommendations will necessitate a tire rotation at least once in between maintenance services and at every maintenance service based on Mercedes-Benz maintenance intervals.							
<b>Additional Work:</b>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Query service history in MaySIS before	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Record customer's vehicle settings	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Wash vehicle	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Check body for paint damage	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Check battery status	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Replace combination filter	•		•		•		•	
Replace engine air filter	•		•		•		•	
Replace poly-V-belt	•				•			
Replace compressor poly-V-belt	•				•			
Replace wheel nuts	• <sup>4</sup>				• <sup>5</sup>			
Replace fuel filter					• <sup>6</sup>			
Replace spark plugs					• <sup>6</sup>			
Replace brake fluid	• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Check vehicle ride height and wheel loads	• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Check wheel settings	• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Replace screws of underbody paneling	• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>		• <sup>1</sup>	
Replace coolant for main circuit	• <sup>1</sup>				• <sup>1</sup>			
Replace coolant for low temperature circuit	• <sup>1</sup>				• <sup>1</sup>			
Replace battery in remote control key			• <sup>1</sup>					• <sup>1</sup>
Replace rear differential oil								• <sup>7</sup>

#### High-mileage checks

<sup>1</sup> not mileage dependent; only time-interval applies    <sup>4</sup> at 80,000 miles or 6 years    <sup>5</sup> at 120,000 miles or 9 years    <sup>6</sup> at 120,000 miles or 8 years  
<sup>7</sup> not time dependent; only mileage-interval applies

## Maintenance Booklet

### First visit

<b>First visit At 1,000 - 3,000 miles</b>	00-5500
Diagnostic test	----
Q + A on vehicle	----

This first visit for a basic vehicle diagnostic test at your authorized Mercedes-Benz Center is provided at no charge.

**Tire rotation**

If applicable to your vehicle's tire configuration (▷ page 6), tire rotation should be performed in accordance with the tire manufacturer's recommended intervals, or sooner at first signs of irregular (uneven) tread wear. Tire manufacturer's rotation recommendations will necessitate a tire rotation at least once in between maintenance services and at every maintenance service based on Mercedes-Benz maintenance intervals. ----

The first tire inspection or rotation (if applicable) (▷ page 17) occurring at an authorized Mercedes Center at any time up to 6,500 miles (vehicle odometer) is provided at no charge.

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### Service

#### At every 10,000 miles or 1 year

#### Interior

##### Function check

Warning and indicator lamps, illumination and interior lighting	----
Switches and controls	5454
Audible warning system	5450
Windshield wiper, windshield washer system, headlamp cleaning system	8252
Check seat belts for damage and proper function	9150

#### Wheels, brakes

Check tire pressure monitoring system battery using STAR DIAGNOSIS	4056
Read malfunction memory using STAR DIAGNOSIS and correct faults if necessary	----
Deactivate Sensotronic Brake Control (SBC) using STAR DIAGNOSIS	----
Check front axle wheel bearing play	3351
Check rear axle wheel bearing play	3551
Balance wheels	----

Check condition/thickness of brake discs front/rear	4251
Check brake pads for lining thickness front/rear	4251
Check and clean front and rear ventilation grille and air ducts for the brake system	6150
Parking brake - Adjust cable slack	4261
Check tires for damage and condition	4051
Measure tread depth, record in mm	4051
Activate Sensotronic Brake Control (SBC) using STAR DIAGNOSIS	----
<b>Vehicle underside</b>	
Check and clean underbody panelling	6151
Check and clean rear axle ventilation grille and air ducts	6150
<b>Leakage - Major components</b>	0053
Check for chafe marks, line routing, damaged components	
In the event of leakage, determine cause and perform repair via separate work order	
Check condition of front axle ball joints and rubber boots	3353
Check conditions of steering mechanical components and rubber boots	4653
Check rear axle bearing for condition	3557
Check drive shaft for condition	3558
Check propeller shaft for condition	4154

## Maintenance Booklet

### Service

#### Engine compartment

##### Leakage - Major components

Check for chafe marks, line routing, damaged components

In the event of leakage, determine cause and perform repair via separate work order

0053

Change engine oil and filter

0101

Check condition of poly-V-belt

1351

Check engine mountings

2252

##### Check the following fluid levels, correct if necessary

Brake system

4210

Power steering

4611

Engine cooling system (main and low temperature circuits), anti-corrosion/antifreeze protection

2010

Bleed low temperature circuit

2010

#### Vehicle front/rear

Check window glass and glass exterior lighting lenses

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Check headlamp setting

8260

Check windshield wiper blades, replace as necessary

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<b>Trunk</b>	
<b>Check fluid level, correct if necessary</b>	
Starter battery	5410
Windshield washer system (including summerwash/winterwash)	8210
Check TIREFIT tire sealant expiration date	4054
<b>Service completion</b>	
Check parking brake according to specifications	4290
Perform road test	----
Reset maintenance service counter in instrument cluster	0042
Enter service in MaySIS	----
Restore customer's vehicle settings	0092

## Maintenance Booklet

### Additional Work to be Performed together with the Respective Service

<b>At every service</b>	
Query service history in MaySIS before starting	----
Record customer's vehicle settings	0092
Wash vehicle	----
Check body for paint damage	9850
Check battery charge status, recharge if necessary	5452
<b>Once at 10,000 miles or 1 year</b>	
Replace rear differential oil	----
<b>At every 20,000 miles or 2 years</b>	
Replace combination filter	8384
Replace engine air filter	0980
<b>At every 40,000 miles or 3 years</b>	
Replace wheel nuts	----
<b>At every 40,000 miles or 4 years</b>	
Replace poly-V-belt	1381
Replace compressor poly-V-belt	1381

**Additional Work to be Performed together with the Respective Service**

<b>At every 60,000 miles or 4 years</b>	
Replace fuel filter	0780
Replace spark plugs	1580
Spark plugs are subject to erosion and must be replaced according to schedule on page 60, or more frequently as may be required when subject to severe operating conditions.	
<b>Every 2 years</b>	
Replace brake fluid	4280
Check vehicle ride height and wheel loads	3253
Check wheel settings	4055
Replace screws of underbody paneling	----
<b>Every 4 years</b>	
Replace coolant for <u>main</u> circuit. Verify the correct coolant composition	2080
Replace coolant for <u>low temperature</u> circuit. Verify the correct coolant composition	2080
<b>Every 5 years</b>	
Replace battery in remote control key	8080

## Maintenance Booklet

### Spark Plug Replacement Intervals

Replace Spark Plugs	Engine
At every 60,000 miles or 4 years	155
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Recommended additional maintenance checks for high-mileage vehicles

<b>At 150,000 miles</b>	
<b>Check if all fluid levels and changes are updated</b>	
Transmission	----
Rear axle	----
<b>Check if air, fuel, ventilation filters are updated</b>	
Engine air filter	----
Fuel filter	----
Combination filter	----

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### Recommended additional maintenance checks for high-mileage vehicles

<b>At 150,000 miles (continued)</b>	
<b>Check integrity of engine, mechanical components</b>	
Perform compression test (hot and cold)	----
Perform leak down test (hot and cold)	----
Check spark plugs	----
Exhaust system leaks	----
<b>Check for damaged/worn drivetrain parts</b>	
Front wheel bearing play	----
Rear wheel bearing play	----
Axle joint play	----
Flexible discs	----
Tie rod and drag link joints	----
<b>Check for updates performed</b>	
Recalls and Service Campaigns	----

**Description of Emission System Maintenance Jobs**

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

Therefore, emission system maintenance must include these engine components. Some maintenance jobs are actually only tests. They are important however, because they allow early detection of discrepancies which can later lead to increased exhaust emissions. It is generally less expensive to have such items adjusted immediately rather than allowing them to contribute to costly repairs. The maintenance intervals have been determined so that the vehicle, under normal conditions, should operate properly between services.

**0101 Engine oil and filter change**

Change the engine oil and oil filter every 10,000 miles. If oil consumption should increase, determine the cause and take necessary corrective steps. Reset the Maintenance System counter.

**0980 Replace air filter element**

Under normal dust conditions, replace air filter element approximately every 20,000 miles or 2 years. Clean air filter cover and housing prior to removal of air filter element.

**0780 Replace fuel filter**

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

**1351 Check engine poly-V-belt condition**

The poly-V-belt is subject to wear and aging. It must be checked for cracks and wear at every service. Replace poly-V-belt if necessary.

**1580 Replace spark plugs**

Spark plugs are subject to electrode erosion and must be replaced according to schedule on page 60, or more frequently as may be required when subject to severe operating conditions.

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