

Information on the extended liability of automotive product manufacturers

We, at Mercedes-Benz Group AG, continue the tradition of our brand and stay committed to quality, doing our very best to ensure that the cars we produce reliably serve our customers for many years or even decades, over hundreds of thousands of kilometers.

However, there comes a day in the life of every vehicle when, for technical or economic reasons, it is not possible or reasonable any longer to continue using them.

Even though we, during the production of our cars, go to great lengths using materials and technological solutions to make sure car parts carry as little environmental burden and risk as possible when they reach the end of their life, it is still important that collecting end-of-life vehicles and their components is realized through channels where environmental protection and maximum waste recycling are ensured.

When a car or an industrial battery built into a car reach their end-of-life stage, it is the owner's legal obligation to hand over the waste to an approved, certified waste treatment facility.¹

The owner (waste owner) is basically entitled to choose which waste management company to entrust with the task of dismantling the vehicle intended for withdrawal from circulation.

We, Mercedes-Benz Group AG, would like to assist by providing drop-off locations to take over, free of charge, end-of-life vehicles as well as industrial batteries built into our plug-in hybrid and all-electric cars from owners.

Mercedes-Benz Group AG provides access to the network of drop-off points primarily through the Hungarian distributor Mercedes-Benz Hungária Kft. and their contractual partners.

However, for cars that were made in Hungary, in the Kecskemét plant at Mercedes-Benz Manufacturing Hungary Kft., Mercedes-Benz Manufacturing Hungary Kft. offers free of charge collection and takes them back once they reach the end of their life.

An end-of-life Mercedes-Benz car is considered "made in Hungary" if in the first three characters of the WMI number of the vehicle identification number (VIN) contain the country code of Hungary (TR-TV). An industrial battery falls under Mercedes-Benz Manufacturing Hungary Kft.'s extended manufacturer's liability if the Mercedes-Benz car with the VIN number containing the Hungarian country code was equipped with that battery at the time it was first placed in service.

¹Article 11(1) of the Government Decree No 369/2014 (XII.30). on scrap vehicles; Article 20(1) of the Government Decree 445/2012. (XII. 29.) on waste management activities related to the treatment and recycling of waste batteries and accumulators.

If the owner, who has an end-of-life car or an industrial battery that meet the conditions above, decides to drop it off at the take-back point provided free of charge by Mercedes-Benz Manufacturing Hungary Kft., the procedure is as follows:

Scrapping your end-of-life car:

Our partner is CAR-REC Vehicle Scrap Treatment Non-profit Kft., which operates a nationwide collection network in Hungary. Owners can easily reach the take-back points of the network near their place of residence.

The agreement we, as an organization registered as a vehicle manufacturer, made with CAR-REC Nonprofit Kft. was approved by the Pest County Government Office acting as the national waste management authority with its decision PE/KTF/7625-2/2017.

For more information and details please go to: [ORSZÁGOS GÉPJÁRMŰRONCS ÁTVÉTELI PONTOK – CAR-REC \(carrec.hu\)](#)

Collection of waste industrial batteries for recycling recovery/proper treatment:

Our official registration is based on the decision PE/KTFO/03442-5/2022 of the Pest County Government Office. Our partner is RE'LEM Nonprofit Kft., which, acting as an intermediary organization, carries out the proper collection and treatment of waste industrial batteries that owners registered for drop-off, through its subcontractor, even arranging collection at the owner's place of residence.

For more details, please go to <https://relemadat.hu/mercedesakkumulator>

Our partners prepare and make available the certificates required by law to the owner in every case.

If you have any questions, our company's area of expertise is at your disposal at the following contact: entsorgung371@mercedes-benz.com