Check engine light or Adblue warning with fault codes P206B31, P203B31, or P300494 present in AdBlue (SCR) control unit (N118/5)

Topic number	LI49.20-N-078838
Version	10
Function group	49.20 - Exhaust gas aftertreatment
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Validity	Model 907
Reason for change	Remedy Update

Complaint

The check engine light or AdBlue warning is activated, accompanied by one or more of the following fault codes related to the AdBlue tank:

P206B31: Malfunction of the concentration sensor for AdBlue; the signal is absent.

P203B31: Malfunction of the AdBlue fill level sensor; the signal is absent.

P300494: The quality of the AdBlue is insufficient.

Cause

A. The software for the AdBlue (SCR) control unit (N118/5) is outdated.

B. The concentration of AdBlue is either above or below the Mercedes-Benz specifications, which can lead to premature freezing.

C. Frozen or partially frozen AdBlue can cause the AdBlue level sensor to misread levels.

D. The AdBlue level sensor is damaged.

Remedy

A. Software

1. Verify no newer software in AdBlue® SCR control unit (N118/5).

2. Complete LI49.20-N-075995 for Adblue warning reset.

--NOTE-- If there is no updated software available, print the XENTRY screen indicating this and proceed to step B.

B. Adblue Concentration

1. Verify the AdBlue concentration

a. According to WIS AR49.20-D-9264TS - Check the concentration of AdBlue

b. Per the freeze frame data 'Development data (Urea Qualitaet Rohwert)', see attachment 'Urea Quality'.

--NOTE-- If the AdBlue concentration is below 31.8% or above 33.2%, it must be replaced. Please note that this will be at the customer's expense.

2. If the AdBlue concentration is within the approved specifications, please proceed to step C.

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C. Frozen Adblue or the SCR Actual Values state 'Frozen Adblue'

1. Check if the AdBlue is frozen. If it is, let the vehicle sit in a warm place overnight and recheck.

2. Have the vehicle running and XENTRY hooked up displaying Adblue level values

3. Drain the Adblue Tank and verify fill level reflects the change in the Adblue level

4. Fill the AdBlue tank slowly. Do not overfill. Verify that the fill level reflects the change in AdBlue level. Print the XENTRY Actual Values page showing the AdBlue tank in the Empty, Full, and refilled Full states.

--Note-- For MY23-25, Fill Level Sensor 1 functions as the empty sensor. It accurately measures only the bottom 60 mm 2.3 inches of the AdBlue tank. Once the tank level is above 60 mm 2.3 inches, the sensor may no longer read accurately and the displayed value may fluctuate. This is normal. See attachment “Fill Level 1.”

--Note-- As of model year 2026, only Fill Level 2 is displayed in XENTRY Actual Values.

5. Reset the Adblue Tank fill level via XENTRY. Please print the XENTRY pages that indicate the AdBlue tank fill-up was completed successfully.

--NOTE-- If the XENTRY still shows that there is frozen Adblue or the concentration is still inaccurate after draining and filling, please refer to the attachments 'Adblue Frozen' and 'Adblue Concentration' and proceed to step D.

6. Complete LI49.20-N-075995 for Adblue warning reset. Please print the XENTRY pages that indicate the AdBlue warning reset was completed successfully.

--NOTE-- If the steps above do not fix the vehicle, please proceed to step D.

D. Damaged Adblue Level Sensor/Concentration Sensor

1. Replace the Adblue Tank

2. With the vehicle running and XENTRY hooked up displaying Adblue level values

3. Fill the Adblue Tank SLOWLY and do not overfill, verify fill level reflects the change in the Adblue level

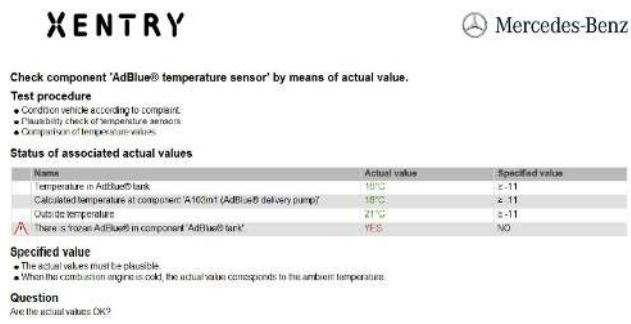
3. Reset the Adblue Tank fill level via XENTRY

4. Complete LI49.20-N-075995 for Adblue warning reset.

--NOTE-- During LI49.20-N-075995 for Adblue warning reset, please ensure that the outside temperature sensor is reading above 10 degrees Fahrenheit. If it is not, keep the vehicle inside the shop overnight. Complete LI49.20-N-075995 again. Additionally, please note that the vehicle may need to be driven to allow the NOx sensors and SCR system to complete their self-test. Once this is finished, the P13DF00 code should be stored and can then be cleared.

--NOTE-- During cold weather, when temperatures are below 32 degrees Fahrenheit, please advise the client to keep the AdBlue tank fill level between 50% and 85%. This will allow for proper fluid expansion and help prevent damage to the level/concentration sensor.

Attachments

File	Description
Adblue Frozen.png  XENTRY Mercedes-Benz Check component 'AdBlue® temperature sensor' by means of actual value. Test procedure • Condition vehicle according to complaint. • Plausibility check of temperature sensors • Comparison of temperature values Status of associated actual values Specified value • The actual values must be plausible. • When the combustion engine is cold, the actual value corresponds to the ambient temperature. Question Are the actual values OK?	Adblue Frozen

Name	Actual value	Specified value
Temperature in AdBlue® tank	18°C	≥ -11
Calculated temperature at component 'A102m1 (AdBlue® delivery pump)'	18°C	≥ -11
Outside temperature	21°C	≥ -11
There is frozen AdBlue® in component 'AdBlue® tank'	YES	NO

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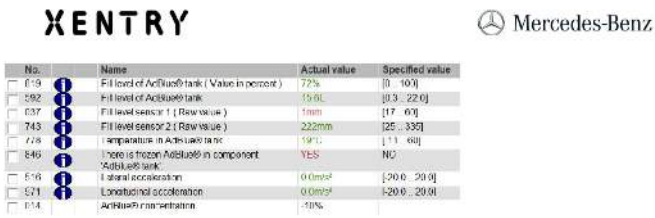
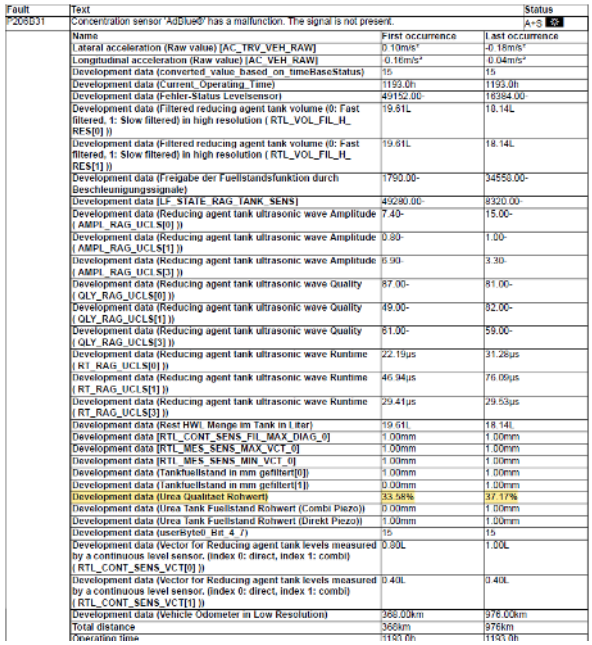
Adblue Concentration.png  XENTRY Mercedes-Benz No. Name Actual value Specified value 019 Fill level of AdBlue® tank (Value in percent) 72% [0 ... 100] 592 Fill level of AdBlue® tank 15.6L [0.3 ... 22.0] 637 Fill level sensor 1 (Raw value) 1mm [17 ... 60] 743 Fill level sensor 2 (Raw value) 222mm [25 ... 335] 778 Temperature in AdBlue® tank 19°C [11 ... 68] 846 There is frozen AdBlue® in component 'AdBlue® tank'. YES NO 516 Lateral acceleration 0.0m/s² [-20.0 ... 20.0] 571 Longitudinal acceleration 0.0m/s² [-20.0 ... 20.0] 014 AdBlue® concentration -10%	Adblue Concentration
Adblue Fill Level.mp4	Adblue Fill Level 1
Urea Quality.png  XENTRY Mercedes-Benz Fault Text Status P208D31 Concentration sensor 'AdBlue®' has a malfunction. The signal is not present. A+S Name First occurrence Last occurrence Lateral acceleration (Raw value) [AC_TRV_VEH_RAW] 0.10m/s² -0.18m/s² Longitudinal acceleration (Raw value) [AC_VEH_RAW] -0.16m/s² -0.04m/s² Development data (converted_value_based_on_timeBaseStatus) 15 15 Development data (Current_Operating_Time) 1193.0h 1193.0h Development data (Fehler-Status Levelsensor) 49152.00- 16384.00- Development data (Filtered reducing agent tank volume (0: Fast filtered, 1: Slow filtered) in high resolution (RTL_VOL_FIL_H_RES[0])) 19.61L 18.14L Development data (Filtered reducing agent tank volume (0: Fast filtered, 1: Slow filtered) in high resolution (RTL_VOL_FIL_H_RES[1])) 19.61L 18.14L Development data (Freigabe der Fuellstandsfunktion durch Beschleunigungssignale) 1790.00- 34558.00- Development data [LF_STATE_RAG_TANK_SENS] 49280.00- 8320.00- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Amplitude (AMPL_RAG_UCLS[0])) 7.40- 15.00- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Amplitude (AMPL_RAG_UCLS[1])) 0.80- 1.00- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Amplitude (AMPL_RAG_UCLS[3])) 6.90- 3.30- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Quality (QLY_RAG_UCLS[0])) 87.00- 81.00- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Quality (QLY_RAG_UCLS[1])) 49.00- 82.00- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Quality (QLY_RAG_UCLS[3])) 81.00- 59.00- Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Runtime (RT_RAG_UCLS[0])) 22.19µs 31.28µs Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Runtime (RT_RAG_UCLS[1])) 46.94µs 76.09µs Development data (Reducing agent tank ultrasonic wave Runtime (RT_RAG_UCLS[3])) 29.41µs 29.53µs Development data (Rest HWI. Menge im Tank in Liter) 19.61L 18.14L Development data [RTL_CONT_SENS_FIL_MAX_DIAG_0] 1.00mm 1.00mm Development data [RTL_MES_SENS_MAX_VCT_0] 1.00mm 1.00mm Development data [RTL_MES_SENS_MIN_VCT_0] 1.00mm 1.00mm Development data (Tankfuellstand in mm gefiltert[0]) 1.00mm 1.00mm Development data (Tankfuellstand in mm gefiltert[1]) 0.00mm 1.00mm Development data (Urea Qualitaet Rohwert) 33.58% 37.17% Development data (Urea Tank Fuellstand Rohwert (Combi Piezo)) 0.00mm 1.00mm Development data (Urea Tank Fuellstand Rohwert (Direkt Piezo)) 1.00mm 1.00mm Development data (userByte0_Bit_4_7) 15 15 Development data (Vector for Reducing agent tank levels measured by a continuous level sensor. (index 0: direct, index 1: combi) (RTL_CONT_SENS_VCT[0])) 0.80L 1.00L Development data (Vector for Reducing agent tank levels measured by a continuous level sensor. (index 0: direct, index 1: combi) (RTL_CONT_SENS_VCT[1])) 0.40L 0.40L Development data (Vehicle Odometer in Low Resolution) 368.00km 976.00km Total distance 368km 976km Operating time 1193.0h 1193.0h	Urea Quality

WIS-References		
Document number	Title	Note
AP49.20-D-0101TS	AdBlue(R) tank - Check/correct fluid level	
AR49.20-D-2015TS	Empty/fill AdBlue(R) tank	
AR49.20-D-2014TSF	Remove/install AdBlue(R) tank	

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Symptoms

Power generation > Fuel system > Fuel tank > Function > Different level
Power generation > Exhaust system > AdBlue > AdBlue consumption > Too high

Parts

Part number	ES1	ES2	Designation	Quantity	Note	EPC
A9104702401			NOX REDUCING AGENT TANK	1		X

Control unit/fault code

Control unit	Fault text
N118/5 | N141 - Selective catalytic reduction (SCR GEN4) (UDCM2)	P203B31 - The AdBlue® fill level sensor has a malfunction. The signal is not present. P206B31 - Concentration sensor 'AdBlue®' has a malfunction. The signal is not present.
N3/40 - Motor electronics 'MRD1' for combustion engine 'OM654' (CDI) (MRD1NFZ)	P300494 - The AdBlue® quality is insufficient.

Operation numbers/damage codes

Op. no.	Operation text	Time	Damage code	Note
470643	Check separate parts of AdBlue(R) system: ... as per fault code	0.7 H		This Operation item is used for completing LI49.20-N-075995.
499264	Check AdBlue(R) concentration (After quick test)	H		
499290	Empty/fill AdBlue(R) tank	H		
499292	Replace AdBlue(R) tank	H	4707250	
540650	On-board power supply voltage Maintain (when checking/testing and troubleshooting)	H		
540990	Program, code ..... control unit (After quick test)	H		If newer software is available
541011	Perform quick test	H		

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