



DAIMLER TRUCK SPEC UPDATE: THE YEAR OF CHANGE

Daimler AG split into 2 businesses:



Throughout the coming year, oil marketers will be preparing for a significant change to heavy-duty truck fluid specification naming conventions. In December 2021, Daimler AG split into two separate businesses: Mercedes-Benz Group AG and Daimler Truck Holding AG. As a result, there are now distinct specifications for each new business.

For customers seeking to transition their approvals to these new specifications, the updated nomenclature started - or came into affect April 1st, 2023, with an application phase lasting for one year. New and updated submissions must now contain the new naming. All products labels will need to have the new nomenclature by November 2024.



Why the Change?



By splitting into two separate businesses, the newly formed Mercedes-Benz Group focused its operations on car and van production, while Daimler Truck retained large commercial vehicles. The move allows each business to concentrate on a more focused market segment, each responding to future disruptive changes in transportation with greater independence.

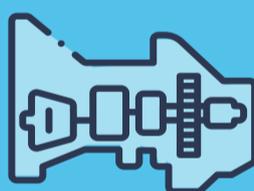


Engine Oils

Legacy	Current
MB 228.3	DTFR 15B110
MB 228.31	DTFR 15C100
MB 228.5	DTFR 15B120
MB 228.51	DTFR 15C110
MB 228.52	DTFR 15C120
MB 228.61	DTFR 15C130
MB 228.71	DTFR 15C140

DTFR = Daimler Truck Fluid Release
15 = Engine Oil
Final number counts up in 10

B = No DPF
C = DPF engine



Driveline Fluids

Legacy	Current
MB 235.0	DTFR 12B100
MB 235.20	DTFR 12B110
MB 235.31	DTFR 12B120
MB 235.8	DTFR 12B140
MB 235.1	DTFR 13B100

DTFR = Daimler Truck Fluid Release
12 = Axle Oil

13 = Transmission Oil
B = Gear Oils

What Oil Marketers Should Expect

The new specification nomenclature is, by and large, an administrative change. There is no substantive technical difference between the legacy and current specification nomenclature. The table compares the legacy "MB" specifications to the new "DTFR" specifications:

Support Through the Transition

This year will likely be a busy time, as oil marketers will be handling updated approval letters with the correct claims, relabeling bottles and ensuring approvals are managed through the new system. If you're a Lubrizol customer and have questions about this transition, feel free to contact your Lubrizol customer representative.



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