



February 10, 2015

Administrator
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E.
Washington, DC 20590
Attention: VIN Coordinator

Dear Administrator,

Pursuant to 49 CFR Part 565, please find enclosed updated V.I.N. Decoding Guide(s) for the following 2016 model year vehicle(s)

Kia Sportage

The updates are restricted to the fifth digit of the VIN and are intended to provide additional information when decoding the vehicle's VIN.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact me directly at (734) 337-2533, or by email at jsmith@hatci.com

Enclosure: 16MY Kia Sportage NHTSA Part 565 VIN Decoding 150119 R1

Sincerely,

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2016MY V.I.N Decoding Guide

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W.M.I			V.D.S					Check Digit	V.I.S			
Manufacture & Type			Make & Line	Model Series	Body Type	Restraint	Engine		Year	Plant	Seq. no	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12~17	
K												KIA, MPV
	N											
		D										
			P									KIA, Sportage (SL)
				A								LX
				B								EX
				C								SX
					3							Wagon 4X2 Class-C
					C							Wagon 4X4 Class-C
						A						See attached restraint system codes
						D						
						J						
						L						
							6					Gasoline 2.0 DOHC T-GDI THETA II
							C					Gasoline 2.4 DOHC GDI THETA II
												Check Digit
									G			2016 Model Year
										7		Gwang-ju / Korea
												Sequential Number

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Attachment: Restraint system codes

(○ : available, X : not available)

WMI	Vehicle type	Model	Code	RESTRAINT SYSTEM											BRAKE SYSTEM			REMARKS
				Seat belt	FRT AIRBAG		KNEE AIRBAG		SIDE AIRBAG			CURTAIN AIRBAG			HYDR-AULIC	AIR	HYD/AIR	
					Dr's	Pa's	Dr's	Pa's	1ROW	2ROW	3ROW	1ROW	2ROW	3ROW				
K N A 5 X X U 5 Y	Passenger Cars (North America, Mexico)	ALL	A	○	○	○	X	X	○	X	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	► Definition: - Dr's : Driver's side - Pa's : Passenger's side ► Brake type is applied to trucks(van)and buses. ► Codes 「A,B,C,D,E,F,H,J,L and N」 are applied to all vehicle in common. ► Other codes(except for A,B,C,D,E,F,H,J,L and N) would have different meaning, even though each vehicle has a same code.
			B	○	○	○	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			C	○	○	○	X	X	○	X	X	○	○	○	-	-	-	
			D	○	○	○	X	X	○	○	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	
			E	○	○	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			F	○	○	○	X	X	○	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			H	○	○	○	○	X	○	X	X	○	○	○	-	-	-	
			J	○	○	○	○	X	○	○	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	
			L	○	○	○	○	X	○	X	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	
			N	○	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
K N D 5 X Y	MPVs (North America, Mexico)	ALL	A	○	○	○	X	X	○	X	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	► Definition: - Dr's : Driver's side - Pa's : Passenger's side ► Brake type is applied to trucks(van)and buses. ► Codes 「A,B,C,D,E,F,H,J,L and N」 are applied to all vehicle in common. Ex) In case of HM, Codes 「A,B,C,D,E,F,H,J,L,N and G」 can be applied. ► Other codes(except for A,B,C,D,E,F,H,J,L and N) would have different meaning, even though each vehicle has a same code.
			B	○	○	○	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			C	○	○	○	X	X	○	X	X	○	○	○	-	-	-	
			D	○	○	○	X	X	○	○	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	
			E	○	○	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			F	○	○	○	X	X	○	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			H	○	○	○	○	X	○	X	X	○	○	○	-	-	-	
			J	○	○	○	○	X	○	○	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	
			L	○	○	○	○	X	○	X	X	○	○	X	-	-	-	
			N	○	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	
			BL	G	○	○	○	○	X	X	X	X	○	○	X	-	-	

* Request a new code to Engineering design management team when a new specification of restraint system is generated.

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