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FOREWORD

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is responsible for establishing and enforcing vehicle antitheft regulations. Motor vehicle theft is a growing problem that results in billions of dollars in losses every year. NHTSA has developed this annual guide to provide the law enforcement community with a concise reference tool to help identify passenger motor vehicles that have been exempted from the parts-marking requirements for model years 2018–2019 because they contain an antitheft device. The guide should also assist law enforcement in its prosecution and motor vehicle theft prevention efforts. This updated Vehicle Theft Prevention Quick Reference Guide for the Law Enforcement Community provides a quickreference, comprehensive summary of the vehicles that have antitheft devices installed as standard equipment, and identifies which vehicles are exempted from the parts-marking requirements, the type of exemption granted (partial or full), and the production years for which the exemptions apply.

Parts-marking requirements apply to:

- all passenger cars;
- all multipurpose passenger vehicles with gross vehicle weight ratings of 6,000 pounds or less;
- all light-duty trucks with gross vehicle weight ratings of 6,000 pounds or less determined to be high-theft; and
- all low-theft, light-duty trucks with gross vehicle weight ratings of 6,000 pounds or less having a majority of their major parts interchangeable with those of a passenger motor vehicle line subject to the theft prevention standard.

On April 6, 2004, NHTSA adopted a phase-in of the parts-marking requirements (69 FR 17960) over a two-year period. Specifically, vehicle lines representing not less than 50 percent of a manufacturer's production of vehicle lines that were not subject to the parts-marking requirements before September 1, 2006, must have been marked by September 1, 2007. Because of the phase-in, this publication lists the vehicle lines reported by manufacturers that were used during the phase-in provision to delay parts-marking until September 1. 2008. It also lists those vehicle lines reported by manufacturers as having an annual vehicle production of 3,500 or less, which are excluded from the parts-marking requirements, and their new 2018–2019 vehicle line introductions.

Accordingly, this publication provides updated information to the law enforcement community only on new light-duty truck lines that have become subject to the parts-marking requirements, and information on existing and newly exempted vehicle lines.

Comprehensive information on vehicle lines that were determined to be likely high-theft and subject to the parts-marking requirements prior to extension of the rule may be obtained from previous issues of the Parts-Marking Quick Reference Guide for the Law Enforcement Community, available online at www.nhtsa.gov/theft.

This guide provides the most reliable and updated information available from the vehicle manufacturers at the time of publication.

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MAKE/LINE	EXEMPTION TYPE (FULL/PARTIAL)	MODEL YEARS EXEMPTED FROM PARTS-MARKING	REFERENCE INFORMATION (MY=MODEL YEAR)
AUDI		1	
Audi 100	FULL	1989–1994	Renamed Audi A6 in MY 1995.
Audi 200	FULL	1989–1991	Renamed Audi S4 in MY 1992.
Audi A3	FULL	2010–2013; 2015–2019	Not produced in MY 2014. Includes the S3, RS3, A3 Cabriolet, A3 Sportback
Audi A4 ¹	FULL	2007–2019	
Audi A4 Allroad (MPV)	FULL	2013–2019	
Audi A6 ²	FULL	1995–2019	
Audi A8	FULL	2012–2019	Includes the AL8/S8.
Audi Q3	FULL	2015–2019	
Audi Q5	FULL	2009–2019	
Audi S4 ³	FULL	1992–1994	Not produced after MY 1994.
Audi S6	FULL	1995–1998	Replaced the Audi S4 in MY 1995. Not produced after MY 1998.
Audi Allroad (MPV)	FULL	2001–2005	Not produced after MY 2005.
Audi Cabriolet	FULL	1994–1998	Not produced after MY 1998.
Audi TT	FULL	2016 -2019	Includes the TTS, TTRS Coupe and the TT and TTS Roadster.
AUSTIN ROVER			
Sterling	FULL	1987–1991	Not produced after MY 1991.
BMW			
1 Car Line ⁴	FULL	2008–2013	Not produced after MY 2013.
3 Car Line⁵	FULL	1999–2019	
4 Car Line ⁶	FULL	2014-2019	
5 Car Line ⁷	FULL	1997–2019	
6 Car Line ⁸	FULL	2004–2010 2012–2019	Production stopped after MY 1989, but vehicle line was reintroduced in MY 2004. Not produced in MY 2011.

- ⁴ Includes all 128 and 135 models.
- ⁵ Includes all 318, 320, 323, 325, 328, 330, 335, 340, M340, and M3 models.
- ⁶ Includes all 428, 430, 435, 440, and M4 models.
- ⁷ Includes all 524, 525, 528, 530, 533, 535, 540, 545, 550, M550, and M5 models.
- ⁸ Includes all 633, 635, 640, 645, 650, B6 and M6 models.

¹ Includes the S4, RS4, Cabriolet versions, A5/S5 Coupe, A5/S5 Sportback, A5/S5 Cabriolet and the RS4 and RS5 allroad models.

² Audi produced both an S6 vehicle line, and a model carrying the same name plate. The S6 model was added in MY 2002; RS6 model was added in MY 2003; Includes the A7, S7 and RS7 models.

³ For clarification purposes, Audi produced an S4 vehicle line in MY 1995, replaced the Audi 200 in MY 1992. The S4 model was added to the A4 vehicle line in MY 2000. The A4 line (produced MYs 2000-2004) is not subject to the parts-marking requirements. However, the S4 line (produced MYs 1992-1994) is subject to the parts-marking requirements.

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BMW (continued)			
7 Car Line ⁹	FULL	1988; 1995–2019	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1989 and resumed with MY 1995.
8 Car Line ¹⁰	FULL	1992–1997; 2019	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1997 and resumed with MY 2019.
MINI ¹¹	FULL	2002–2019	
MINI Countryman (MPV)	FULL	2017–2019	
X1	FULL	2012–2015	X1 car line replaced by X1 MPV line beginning in MY 2016. X1 car line not produced after MY 2015.
X1 (MPV)	FULL	2016-2019	Replaced the X1 car line beginning in MY 2016.
X2 (MPV)	FULL	2018–2019	
X3 (MPV)	FULL	2007–2019	
X4 (MPV)	FULL	2015–2019	
X5 (MPV)	FULL	2000–2019	Exemption was not used because X5 is an MPV with GVWR over 6,000 lbs.
Z4	FULL	2003–2016; 2019	Not produced in MY 2017–2018.
CHRYSLER/FIAT			
Chrysler 200	FULL	2015–2017	Not produced after MY 2017.
Chrysler 300	FULL	2006–2019	
Chrysler Conquest	FULL	1987–1989	Not produced after MY 1989.
Chrysler Imperial	FULL	1990–1993	Not produced after MY 1993.
Chrysler Town & Country (MPV)	FULL	2005–2016	Exemption does not apply to Town & Country (MPV) line with a GVWR over 6,000 lbs. Not produced after MY 2016.
Dodge Challenger	FULL	2008–2019	
Dodge Charger	FULL	2007–2019	
Dodge Dart	FULL	2013–2016	Not produced after MY 2016.
Dodge Journey	FULL	2010–2019	
Fiat 500	FULL	2012–2019	
Fiat 124 Spider	FULL	2017–2019	
Jeep Cherokee	FULL	2014–2019	
Jeep Compass	FULL	2017–2019	

 ⁹ Includes all 733, 735, 740, 745, 750, 760, and B7 models.
¹⁰ Includes all 840, 850, and M850 models.

¹¹ Includes all MINI models.

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CHRYSLER/FIAT (continued)			
Jeep Grand Cherokee (MPV)	FULL	2004–2019	Exemption does not apply to Jeep Grand Cherokee line with a GVWR over 6,000 lbs.
Jeep Patriot	FULL	2011–2017	Not produced after MY 2017.
Jeep Wrangler/Wrangler JK	FULL	2009–2019	Wrangler JK not produced after MY 2018.
Jeep Wrangler JL	FULL	2018–2019	
FORD			
Ford C-Max	FULL	2013–2018	Not produced after MY 2018.
Ford EcoSport	FULL	2018–2019	
Ford Edge	FULL	2014–2019	
Ford Escape	FULL	2009–2019	
Ford Explorer	FULL	2011–2019	Exemption does not apply to Ford Explorer line with a GVWR over 6,000 lbs.
Ford Fiesta	FULL	2015–2019	
Ford Five Hundred	FULL	2007	Not produced after MY 2007. Renamed Taurus in MY 2008.
Ford Focus	FULL	2006–2018	Not produced after MY 2018.
Ford Fusion	FULL	2012–2019	
Ford Mustang	FULL	1999–2019	
Ford Taurus	FULL	2000–2009	Not produced after MY 2009.
Lincoln MKC	FULL	2016–2019	
Lincoln MKX	FULL	2017–2018	Renamed to Nautilus in MY 2019.
Lincoln Nautilus	FULL	2019	
Lincoln Town Car	FULL	2003–2011	Not produced after MY 2011.
Mercury Grand Marquis	FULL	2002–2011	Not produced after MY 2011.
Mercury Mariner	FULL	2010–2011	Not produced after MY 2011.
Mercury Sable	FULL	2001–2009	(Original) Sable produced in MYs 1997 – 2005. Not produced in MYs 2006 and 2007. Resumed in MY 2008. Not produced after MY 2009.
GENERAL MOTORS			
Buick LaCrosse/Century	FULL	2005–2009	Regal/Century renamed LaCrosse/Century in MY 2005.
Buick LaCrosse	FULL	2010	Formerly named LaCrosse/Century.
Buick LaCrosse/Regal	FULL	2011–2017	Formerly named Buick LaCrosse/Century. Buick Regal reintroduced to the line in MY 2011.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)			
Buick LeSabre	PARTIAL FULL	1993–1999 2000–2005	From MYs 1993–1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Renamed the Lucerne in MY 2006.
Buick Lucerne	FULL	2006–2011	LeSabre renamed Lucerne in MY 2006. Not produced after MY 2011.
Buick Park Avenue	PARTIAL FULL	1992–1996 1997–2005	From MYs 1992–1996, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2005.
Buick Regal	FULL	1996–2004	Renamed LaCrosse in MY 2005.
Buick Regal/Century	FULL	1997–2004	Renamed LaCrosse/Century in MY 2005. Buick Century line added to Buick Regal line in MY 1997.
Buick Riviera	FULL	1995–1999	Not produced after MY 1999.
Buick Verano	FULL	2013–2017	Not produced after MY 2017.
Cadillac Allante	FULL	1988–1993	Not produced after MY 1993.
Cadillac Concours	PARTIAL	1994–2000	Replaced the Cadillac Sixty Special in MY 1994. Required parts-marking for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2000.
Cadillac ATS	FULL	2014–2019	
Cadillac CTS	FULL	2011–2019	Current and new generation CTS both produced in MY 2014.
Cadillac DeVille	PARTIAL FULL	1991–1999 2000–2005	From MYs 1991–1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Renamed the DTS in MY 2006.
Cadillac DTS	FULL	2006–2012	DeVille renamed the DTS in MY 2006. DTS renamed the XTS in MY 2013.
Cadillac Eldorado	PARTIAL	1994–2002	From MYs 1994–2002, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2002.
Cadillac Fleetwood	PARTIAL	1991–1992	Renamed Sixty Special in MY 1993. From MYs 1991–1992, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only.
Cadillac Seville	PARTIAL FULL	1994–1997 1998–2004	From MYs 1994–1997, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2004.
Cadillac Sixty Special	PARTIAL	1993	Replaced the Cadillac Fleetwood in MY 1993. Renamed Concours in MY 1994. For MY 1993, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only.
Cadillac XTS	FULL	2013–2019	DTS renamed the XTS in MY 2013.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)			
Cadillac XT4	FULL	2019	
Cadillac SRX	FULL	2015–2016	Replaced by the XTS in MY 2017.
Chevrolet Bolt	FULL	2017–2019	
Chevrolet Camaro	PARTIAL FULL	1990–2002 2010–2019	From MYs 1990-2002, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced for MYs 2003-2009.
Chevrolet Cavalier	FULL	1997–2005	Not produced after MY 2005.
Chevrolet Classic	FULL	2004	Formerly identified as the Chevrolet Malibu which was produced from MY 1997 through 2003.
Chevrolet Cobalt	FULL	2005–2010	Renamed Chevrolet Cruze in MY 2011.
Chevrolet Corvette	FULL	1987–2019	
Chevrolet Cruze	FULL	2011–2019	Replaced the Chevrolet Cobalt in MY 2011. MY 2016 Cruze limited model nameplate was added.
Chevrolet Equinox	FULL	2009–2019	
Chevrolet Impala/Monte Carlo	FULL	2000–2019	Replaced the Lumina/Monte Carlo in MY 2000. The Impala Classic and LTD model nameplate added to the line in MY 2014.
Chevrolet Lumina/Monte Carlo	FULL	1996–1999	Monte Carlo nameplate was assigned to the 2-door Lumina coupe model in MY 1995. Renamed Impala/Monte Carlo in MY 2000.
Chevrolet Malibu	FULL	2001–2003	The Chevrolet Malibu produced MY 1997 thru 2003 was renamed the Chevrolet Classic in MY 2004.
Chevrolet Malibu/Malibu Maxx	FULL	2006–2019	Malibu Maxx not produced after MY 2007. Malibu LTD model nameplate added in MY 2016.
Chevrolet Sonic	FULL	2012–2019	
Chevrolet Spark/Spark BEV	FULL	2016–2019	
Chevrolet Uplander (MPV)	FULL	2005–2008	Replaced the Venture in MY 2005. Not produced after MY 2008.
Chevrolet Venture (MPV)	FULL	2002–2004	Renamed Uplander in MY 2005.
Chevrolet Volt	FULL	2018–2019	
GMC Terrain	FULL	2010–2019	
Oldsmobile Alero	FULL	1999–2004	Not produced after MY 2004.
Oldsmobile Aurora	FULL FULL	1995–1999 2001–2003	Replaced the Oldsmobile Toronado in MY 1995. Not produced in MY 2000. Not produced after MY 2003.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)			
Oldsmobile Eighty-Eight	PARTIAL	1993–1999	From MYs 1993–1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 1999.
Oldsmobile Ninety-Eight	PARTIAL	1991–1999	From MYs 1991–1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 1999.
Oldsmobile Toronado	re-introduction	ed beginning with of the line as the ora in MY 1995.	Toronado not produced after MY 1992. Reintroduced as Oldsmobile Aurora in MY 1995.
Pontiac Bonneville	PARTIAL FULL	1992–1999 2000–2005	From MYs 1992–1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2005.
Pontiac Firebird	PARTIAL	1990–2002	From MYs 1991–2002, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2002.
Pontiac G6	FULL	2007–2010	Not produced after MY 2010.
Pontiac Grand Am	FULL	2000–2005	Not produced after MY 2005.
Pontiac Grand Prix	FULL	2003–2008	Not produced after MY 2008.
Pontiac Sunfire	FULL	1998–2005	Not produced after MY 2005.
Saturn Aura	FULL	2008–2009	Not produced after MY 2009.
GENESIS			
Genesis	FULL	2009	Not produced after MY 2009. Reintroduced as Genesis G80 in MY 2017.
G80	FULL	2019	
HONDA			
Accord	FULL	2015–2019	
Acura CL	FULL	1997–1999; 2001–2003	Not produced in MY 2000. Not produced after MY 2003.
Acura Legend	FULL	1991–1995	Renamed Acura RL in MY 1996.
Acura MDX	FULL	2018–2019	
Acura NSX	FULL	1991–2005	Not produced after MY 2005.
Acura RL	FULL	1996–2012	Replaced the Acura Legend in MY 1996. Not produced after MY 2012.
Acura SLX (MPV)	FULL	1997	Exemption was not used in MY 1998 and 1999. Not produced after MY 1999.
Acura TL	FULL	1995–2014	Replaced the Acura Vigor in MY 1995. Not produced after MY 2014.
Acura TLX	FULL	2019	Replaced the Acura TL in MY 2015.
Acura Vigor	FULL	1992–1994	Renamed the Acura TL in MY 1995.

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HONDA (continued)			
Civic	FULL	2014–2019	
CR-V	FULL	2016–2019	
Passport	FULL	2019	
Pilot	FULL	2011–2019	
HYUNDAI			
Azera	FULL	2009–2017	Not produced for U.S. market after MY 2017.
Equus	FULL	2011–2017	Reintroduced as Genesis G90 in MY 2017.
Ioniq	FULL	2017–2019	
ISUZU			
Axiom (MPV)	FULL	2003–2004	Not produced after MY 2004.
JAGUAR LAND ROVER			
Jaguar F-Type	FULL	2014–2019	
Jaguar F-Pace	FULL	2018–2019	
Jaguar XF	FULL	2016–2019	
Jaguar XJ Series ¹²	FULL	2010–2019	
Jaguar XK ¹³	FULL	1997–2015	XK Sports not produced after MY 2006. XK line not produced after MY 2015.
Jaguar XE	FULL	2017–2019	
Land Rover Discovery Sport	FULL	2015–2019	
Land Rover LR2	FULL	2013–2015	Not produced after MY 2015.
Land Rover Range Rover Evoque	FULL	2012–2019	
Land Rover Range Rover Velar	FULL	2019	
KIA			
Amanti	FULL	2009	Not produced after MY 2009.
Niro	FULL	2018–2019	
Stinger	FULL	2019	
MASERATI			
Ghibli	FULL	2016-2019	
Levante	FULL	2017–2019	This line includes the Levante Model S.
Quattroporte	FULL	2014–2019	

¹² Includes the XJL, XJR, XJ Supercharged, XJL Supercharged, XJ Supersport, and XJL Supersport

¹³ MYs 1997–2006 XK Sports includes the XK8 and the XKR models. MYs 2007–2011 XK Series includes the XK Coupe, XK Convertible and XKR models.

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MAZDA		'	
929	FULL	1988–1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
CX-3	FULL	2016–2019	
CX-5	FULL	2013–2019	
CX-7	FULL	2007–2012	Not produced after MY 2012.
CX-9	FULL	2008–2019	
Mazda 2	FULL	2011–2014, 2016–2019	Not produced in MY 2015.
Mazda 3	FULL	2006–2019	
Mazda 5	FULL	2009–2015	Not produced for U.S. market after MY 2015.
Mazda 6	FULL	2003–2019	
Millenia	FULL	1995–2002	Not produced after MY 2002.
MX-5 Miata	FULL	2005–2019	
RX-7	FULL	1988–1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
Tribute	FULL	2010–2011	Not produced after MY 2011.
MERCEDES-BENZ			
124 Line ¹⁴ (E-Class)	FULL	1993–1995	The 124 line (E-Class) was replaced by the 210 line (E-Class) in MY 1996. The 210 line was not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
300D		1993	Not produced after MY 1993. Replaced by the E300 model in MY 1995.
300E		1993	300E, 300CE and 300TE models were renamed the E320 model in MY 1994.
300CE		1993	300E, 300CE and 300TE models were renamed the E320 model in MY 1994.
300TE		1993	300E, 300CE and 300TE models were renamed the E320 model in MY 1994.
400E		1993	Renamed the E420 model in MY 1994.
500E		1993	Renamed the E500 model in MY 1994.
E300		1995	Replaced the 300D model in MY 1995. The 124 line E300 model was not produced after MY 1995.
E320		1994–1995	Replaced the 300E, 300CE and 300TE models in MY 1994. The 124 line E320 model was not produced after MY 1995.

¹⁴ Includes the 260E, 300D, 300E, 300CE, 300TD, 300TE, 400E, 500E, E300, E320, E420 (MYs 1994–1995 only), and E500 models.

MAKE/LINE	EXEMPTION TYPE (FULL/PARTIAL)	MODEL YEARS EXEMPTED FROM PARTS-MARKING	REFERENCE INFORMATION (MY=MODEL YEAR)
MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)		'	
E420		1994–1995	Replaced the 400E in MY 1994. The 124 line E420 model was not produced after MY 1995.
E500		1994–1995	Replaced the 500E in MY 1994. The 124 line E500 model was not produced after MY 1995.
129 Line ¹⁵ (SL-Class)	FULL	1993–2002	Replaced the 107 line (SL-Class) in MY 1990. The 129 line (SL-Class) was replaced by the 230 line (SL-Class) in MY 2003. The 230 line was not subject to the parts- marking requirements.
300SL		1993	Not produced after MY 1993. Replaced by the SL320 model in MY 1994.
500SL		1993	Renamed the SL500 model in MY 1994.
600SL		1993	Renamed the SL600 model in MY 1994.
SL320		1994–1997	Replaced the 300SL in MY 1994. The 129 line SL320 model was not produced after MY 1997.
SL500		1994–2002	Replaced the 500SL in MY 1994. The 129 line SL500 model was not produced after MY 2002.
SL600		1994–2002	Renamed the SL600 in MY 1994.
202 Line ¹⁶ (C-Class)	FULL	1996–2000	Replaced the 201 line (190-Class) in MY 1994. Replaced by the 203 line (C-Class) in MY 2001.
C220		1996	The 202 line C220 model was not produced after MY 1996.
C230		1997–2000	The 202 line C230 model was not produced after MY 2000.
C280		1996–2000	The 202 line C280 model was not produced after MY 2000.
C36		1996–1997	The 202 line C36 model was not produced after MY 1997.
C43		1998–2000	The 202 line C43 model was not produced after MY 2000.

¹⁵ Includes the 300SL, 500SL, 600SL, SL320, SL500, and SL600 models.

¹⁶ Includes the C220, C230, C280, C36, and C43 models.

MAKE/LINE	EXEMPTION TYPE (FULL/PARTIAL)	MODEL YEARS EXEMPTED FROM PARTS-MARKING	REFERENCE INFORMATION (MY=MODEL YEAR)
MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)			
C Line Chassis ¹⁷ (C-Class/CLK-Class/GLK-Class/ GLC-Class)	FULL	2008–2019	The 202 line (C-Class) was replaced by the 203 line in MY 2001. The 203 line was replaced by the 204 line (C-Class) in MY 2008. The 204 line was replaced by the 205 line in MY 2015.
(C-Class/CLK-Class)		2008–2019	Two-door versions (coupe & cabriolet) of the C-Class were renamed the CLK-Class (209 line) in MY 2008, then renamed again as C-Class Coupe (204 line in MY 2012, then 205 line in MY 2017) & C-Class Cabriolet (205 line starting in MY 2017).
(GLK-Class)		2010–2015	The GLK is based on the 204 chassis. Renamed GLC-Class in MY 2016.
(GLC-Class)		2016–2019	The 204 line was replaced by the 253 line in MY 2016. The GLK-Class was renamed the GLC-Class in MY 2016.
E Line Chassis ¹⁸ (E-Class/CLS-Class)	FULL	2006–2019	The 211 line (E-Class) was replaced by the 212 line in MY 2010. Two-door versions (coupe & cabriolet) of the E-Class were renamed the 207 line in MY 2010, and replaced by the 238 line in MY 2018.
(E-Class) ¹⁹		2006–2019	The 212 line was replaced by the 213 line in MY 2016.
(CLS-Class) ²⁰		2006–2019	The CLS is based on the 211 chassis. The 211 line was replaced by the 218 line in MY 2013; and replaced by the 257 line in MY 2019.
NGCC Chassis ²¹ (CLA-Class/GLA-Class/B-Class/ A-Class)	FULL	2014–2019	
A220		2019	The A-Class is based on the 177 chassis.
B250e		2016–2017	The new B-Class plug-in electric vehicle was replaced by the 242 line in MY 2016.
CLA250		2014–2019	The CLA is based on the 117 chassis.
CLA45 AMG		2014–2019	The CLA is based on the 117 chassis.
GLA250		2015–2019	The 117 line was replaced by the 156 line in MY 2015.

- ¹⁷ The "C Line Chassis" combined the C-Class (204 line) and the CLK-Class (209 line) in MY 2008. The GLK-Class (204) line was added to the C Line Chassis in MY 2010.
- ¹⁸ The "E Line Chassis" combined the E-Class (211 line) and the CLS-Class (219 line) in MY 2008.
- ¹⁹ Includes the E55, E63 AMG, E320 CDI, E320 BLUETEC, E350 BLUETEC, E250d, E350, E400h, E500, and E550 models.

 $^{\rm 20}\,$ Includes the CLS400, CLS500, CLS550, CLS55 AMG, and CLS63 AMG models.

²¹ The "NGCC Chassis" line includes the CLA-Class (117) composed of the CLA250, and CLA45 AMG models, and the new GLA-Class (156) composed of the GLA250 and GLA 45 AMG models.

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MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)			
GLA45 AMG		2015–2019	The 117 line was replaced by the 156 line in MY 2015.
S Line Chassis ²² (S-Class/CL-Class/S-Coupe Class/S-Class Cabriolet/ Mercedes-Maybach)	FULL	2007–2019	The 220 line (S-Class) was replaced by the 221 line in MY 2007. The 221 line was replaced by the 222 line in MY 2014.
(S-Class/Mercedes-Maybach)23		2007–2019	MY 2016 added the Mercedes-Maybach based on the 222 line.
(S-Coupe Class/S-Class Cabriolet) ²⁴		2015–2019	The 216 line (CL-Class) was replaced by the 217 line (S-Coupe Class) in MY 2015. MY 2017 added the S-Class Cabriolet based on the 217 line.
(CL-Class) ²⁵		2007–2014	The CL-Class (216 line) was renamed the S-Coupe Class in MY 2015.
SL-Class Line Chassis ²⁶ (SL-Class)	FULL	2011–2019	
SL400 or SL450		2015–2019	
SL550		2011–2019	
SL63 AMG		2011–2019	
SL65 AMG		2011–2018	Not produced after MY 2018.
SLK Line Chassis ²⁷ (SLK-Class/SLC-Class)	FULL	2010–2019	The SLK is based on the 172 Chassis and was renamed the SLC-Class in MY 2017.
SLK55 AMG		2010–2019	
SLK250		2010–2019	
SLK300		2010–2019	
SLK350		2010–2019	
SLC300		2017–2019	
smart fortwo	FULL	2009–2019	The original smart fortwo 451 Chassis was replaced with the 453 Chassis in MY 2016.
MITSUBISHI			
i-MiEV	FULL	2013–2017	Not produced after MY 2017.
Diamante	FULL	1993–2004	Not produced after MY 2004.

 $^{\rm 22}\,$ The "S Line Chassis" combined the S-Class (221 line) and the CL-Class (216 line) in MY 2007.

- ²³ The "S-Class" includes the S400 Hybrid, S550, S600, S63 AMG, S65 AMG, and Mercedes-Maybach S560 and Mercedes-Maybach S650 models.
- ²⁴ The "S-Coupe Class" includes the S550, S63 AMG, and the S65 AMG models.

- $^{25}\,$ The "CL-Class" includes the CL550, CL600, CL63 AMG, and CL65 AMG models.
- ²⁶ The "SL-Class" includes the SL400, SL450, SL550, SL63 AMG, and the SL65 AMG models.
- ²⁷ The "SLK-Class" includes the SLK55 AMG, SLK250, SLK300, and SLK350 models; while the "SLC-Class" includes the SLC300 and AMG SLC43 models.

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MITSUBISHI (continued)			
Eclipse	FULL	2007–2012	Not produced after MY 2012.
Eclipse Cross	FULL	2018–2019	
Endeavor	FULL	2006–2011	Not produced after MY 2011.
Galant	FULL	2006–2012	The Galant received a full exemption beginning in MY 1987. However, Mitsubishi did not use its exemption from MY 1987 through MY 2005. Therefore, parts-marking was required for the Galant from MY 1987–2005. Exemption was used beginning with MY 2006. Not produced after MY 2012.
Lancer	FULL	2010–2017	Not produced after MY 2017.
Mirage	FULL	2014–2015; 2017–2019	Not produced for MY 2016.
Outlander	FULL	2011–2019	
Outlander Sport	FULL	2012–2019	
Starion	FULL	1987–1990	Not produced after MY 1990.
NISSAN			
300ZX	FULL	1987–1996	Not produced after MY 1996.
Altima	FULL	2000–2019	
Cube	FULL	2011–2014	Not produced after MY 2014.
Juke	FULL	2013–2017	Not produced after MY 2017.
Leaf	FULL	2012–2019	
Maxima	FULL FULL	1987–1994; 1999–2014; 2016-2019	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1995 and resumed with MY 1999. Not produced in MY 2015.
Murano	FULL	2010–2019	
NV200 Taxi	FULL	2015–2019	
Pathfinder	FULL	2001–2019	
Quest	FULL	2006–2009; 2011–2017	Not produced in MY 2010. Not produced after MY 2017.
Rogue	FULL	2009–2019	Rogue Sport Model added in MY 2017.
Sentra/200SX	FULL	2007–2019	200SX was not produced after MY 1998.
Versa ²⁸	FULL	2008–2011	Hatchback and sedan. Renamed Versa Hatchback in MY 2012. Versa hatchback not produced for MY 2013.

²⁸ For clarification purposes, Nissan produced the MY 2008-2011 Nissan Versa sedan and hatchback. Nissan discontinued the Versa sedan in MY 2012 but continued production of the hatchback which was renamed the Versa Hatchback in MY 2012. Nissan also produced

a fully redesigned "new" Versa sedan for MY 2012 which is partsmarked. Nissan did not produce the Versa Hatchback in MY 2013. The Versa Hatchback was renamed the Versa Note in MY 2014. The Versa Note is subject to the parts-marking requirements.

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NISSAN (continued)			
Versa Hatchback	FULL	2012	Renamed the Versa Hatchback in MY 2012. Versa hatchback not produced for MY 2013. Renamed the Versa Note in MY 2014.
Infiniti G ²⁹	FULL	2003–2013	G35 (Coupe) renamed Infiniti G37 in MY 2008. Infiniti G35 (Sedan) renamed Infiniti G37 in MY 2009. Infiniti G37 Sedan renamed the Infiniti Q50 in MY 2014. Infiniti G37 Coupe and Convertible renamed the Infiniti Q60 in MY 2014.
Infiniti 130/135	FULL	1996–2004	I30 not produced after MY 2001. I35 not produced after MY 2004.
Infiniti J30	FULL	1993–1997	Not produced after MY 1997.
Infiniti QX60	FULL	2014–2019	
Infiniti M30	FULL	1990–1992	Not produced after MY 1992.
Infiniti M ³⁰	FULL	2004; 2006–2013	M35 not produced for MY 2003–2004. M35 and M45 not produced in MY 2005. Infiniti M renamed the Infiniti Q70 in MY 2014.
Infiniti Q50/Q60	FULL	2014–2015; 2017–2019	G37 Sedan renamed the Q50, G37 Coupe and Convertible renamed the Q60 in MY 2014. Q60 not produced in MY 2016.
Infiniti Q70	FULL	2014–2019	Q70 line replaced the M line in MY 2014.
Infiniti QX4	FULL	1997–2003	Not produced after MY 2003.
Infiniti Q45	FULL	1990–2006	Not produced after MY 2006.
PORSCHE			
911	FULL FULL	1990–1993 1995–2019	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1994 and resumed with MY 1995.
928	FULL	1990–1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
968	FULL	1992–1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
Boxster/Cayman	FULL	1997–2019	The Cayman model was added to the Boxster line in MY 2006.
Macan	FULL	2015–2019	
Panamera	FULL	2010–2019	
SAAB			
Saab 9-3	FULL	1999–2012	Replaced the 900 in MY 1999. Not produced after MY 2012.
Saab 9-5	FULL	2011–2012	Not produced after MY 2012.

²⁹ Infiniti G line includes the G25, G35 and G37 models.

³⁰ Infiniti M line includes the M35, M45, M37, and M56.

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SAAB (continued)			
Saab 900	FULL	1994–1998	Not produced after MY 1998. Renamed the 9-3 in MY 1999.
Saab 9000	FULL	1989–1998	Not produced after MY 1998. Replaced by the 9-5 in MY 1999. The 9-5 was not subject to the parts-marking requirements until September 1, 2006, unless it was granted a parts-marking exemption or the manufacturer utilized the 2007/2008 phase-in provision.
SUBARU			
Ascent	FULL	2019	
B9 Tribeca/Tribeca	FULL	2006–2014	Not produced after MY 2014.
Forester	FULL	2009–2019	
Impreza	FULL	2008–2019	
Legacy	FULL	2011–2019	
Outback	FULL	2010–2019	
WRX	FULL	2015–2019	
XV Crosstrek/Crosstrek	FULL	2013–2019	XV Crosstrek renamed the Crosstrek beginning with MY 2016.
SUZUKI			
New XL7	FULL	2007–2009	The New XL7 became a separate line from the Grand Vitara in MY 2007. Not produced after MY 2009.
Kizashi	FULL	2012–2013	Not produced after MY 2013.
TESLA			
Model S	FULL	2012–2019	
Model X	FULL	2014–2019	
Tesla Model 3	FULL	2019	
ΤΟΥΟΤΑ			
Toyota Avalon	FULL	2019	
Toyota Camry	FULL	2011–2019	
Toyota Corolla	FULL	2012–2019	
Toyota Cressida	FULL	1987–1992	Not produced after MY 1992.
Toyota Highlander	FULL	2015–2019	
Toyota Prius	FULL	2013–2019	Excludes Prius C.
Toyota RAV4	FULL	2014–2019	
Toyota Sienna	FULL	2016–2019	

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TOYOTA (continued)			
Toyota Supra	FULL	1987–1998	Not produced after MY 1998.
Lexus ES	FULL	1990–2019	
Lexus GS	FULL	1993–2011; 2013–2019	Not produced in MY 2012.
Lexus LS	FULL	1990–2019	
Lexus NX	FULL	2018–2019	Includes the NX HV.
Lexus SC	FULL FULL	1992–2000; 2002–2010	Not produced in MY 2001. Not produced after MY 2010.
Lexus RX	FULL	2017–2019	
VOLKSWAGEN			
Volkswagen Atlas	FULL	2018–2019	
Volkswagen New Beetle/ New Beetle Convertible	FULL	2008–2011	Renamed Volkswagen Beetle/Beetle Convertible in MY 2012.
Volkswagen Beetle/Beetle Convertible	FULL	2012–2019	Replaced the Volkswagen New Beetle/New Beetle Convertible in MY 2012.
Volkswagen Cabrio	FULL	1995–2002	Replaced the VW Cabriolet in MY 1995. Not produced after MY 2002.
Volkswagen Cabriolet	Exemption applied beginning with re-introduction of the line as the Volkswagen Cabrio in MY 1995.		The "original" VW Cabriolet was not produced after MY 1993. Reintroduced as the VW Cabrio in MY 1995.
Volkswagen Corrado	FULL	1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
Volkswagen Eos	FULL	2014–2016	Not produced after MY 2016.
Volkswagen Golf/Golf SportWagen, GTI/Golf R/Alltrack/eGolf	FULL	2010–2019	Rabbit renamed Golf in MY 2010. The Golf SportWagen was added in MY 2015; the eGolf in MY 2016 and the Alltrack in MY 2017.
Volkswagen Golf/GTI/R32	FULL	1996–2005	Golf renamed Rabbit in MY 2006. R32 produced in MY 2004 only.
Volkswagen Jetta/Jetta III/Jetta SportWagen/ Jetta GLI	FULL	1994–2019	The Jetta SportWagen renamed Golf SportWagen in MY 2015.
Volkswagen Passat/CC/Arteon	FULL	1997–2019	The CC model was added to the Passat line in MY 2009. The CC is not produced after MY 2017. The Arteon replaces the CC in MY 2019.
Volkswagen Rabbit/GTI/R32	FULL	2006–2009	Replaced the Golf in MY 2006. R32 produced in MY 2008 only.
Volkswagen Tiguan	FULL	2011–2019	
VOLVO			
Volvo S60	FULL	2014–2019	

PHASED-IN VEHICLES NOT PARTS-MARKED IN MY 2007

Chrysler Pacifica Chrysler Crossfire Chrysler PT Cruiser Dodge Magnum Cadillac CTS Cadillac STS Cadillac XLR Chevrolet Equinox Chevrolet Aveo Pontiac Torrent Pontiac Solstice Pontiac G5 Pontiac G8 Saturn Sky Saturn Astra Saturn Aura Saab 9-5 Subaru Imprezza Mazda 5 Mazda RX-8 Mazda RX-9 Nissan 350Z Infiniti FX35/FX45 Audi A3 VW New Beetle/Beetle Convertible Volvo C70 Volvo C70 Volvo S40 Volvo V50 Volvo V50

LOW VOLUME VEHICLE LINES (3,500 OR FEWER UNITS)

Low-volume vehicle lines are excluded from the Parts-Marking Requirements.

MY 2017	MY 2018	MY 2019
Acura NSX	Acura NSX	Acura NSX
Alfa Romeo 4c	Alfa Romeo 4c	Alfa Romeo 4c
Aston Martin DB9	Aston Martin DB9	Aston Martin DB9
Aston Martin DB11	Aston Martin DB11	Aston Martin DB11
Aston Martin Rapide	Aston Martin Rapide	Aston Martin Rapide
Aston Martin Vanquish	Aston Martin Vanquish	Aston Martin Vanquish
Aston Martin Vantage	Aston Martin Vantage	Aston Martin Vantage
Bentley Continental GT	Bentley Continental GT	Bentley Continental GT
Bentley Flying Spur	Bentley Flying Spur	Bentley Flying Spur
Bentley Mulsanne	Bentley Mulsanne	Bentley Mulsanne
Cadillac ELR	Cadillac ELR	Cadillac ELR
Dodge Viper	Dodge Viper	Dodge Viper
Ferrari 488 GTB	Ferrari 488 GTB	Ferrari 488 GTB
Ferrari 488 Spider	Ferrari 488 Spider	Ferrari 488 Pista
Ferrari California T	Ferrari 812 Superfast	Ferrari 488 Pista Spider
Ferrari F12 Berlinetta	Ferrari California T	Ferrari 488 Spider
Ferrari F12tdf	Ferrari GTC4Lusso	Ferrari 812 Superfast
Ferrari GTC4Lusso	Ferrari GTC4Lusso T	Ferrari GTC4Lusso
Ford GT	Ford GT	Ferrari Portofino
Honda Clarity	Honda Clarity	Ford GT
Karma Revero	Karma Revero	Honda Clarity
LaFerrari Aperta	LaFerrari FF 12-cyl	Karma Revero
Lamborghini Aventador	LaFerrari Roadster	Lamborghini Aventador
Lamborghini Huracan	Lamborghini Aventador	Lamborghini Huracan
Lexus GS F	Lamborghini Huracan	Lexus GS F
Lexus RC F	Lexus GS F	Lexus RC F
Lotus Evora 400	Lexus RC F	Lotus Evora 400
Maserati Granturismo Convertible	Lotus Evora 400	Lotus Evora Sport 410
Maserati Granturismo Convertible S	Lotus Evora Sport 410	Maserati Granturismo Convertible
Maserati Granturismo MC	Maserati Granturismo Convertible	Maserati Granturismo Convertible S
Maserati Granturismo S Automatic	Maserati Granturismo Convertible S	Maserati Granturismo MC
Rolls Royce Dawn	Maserati Granturismo MC	Maserati Granturismo S Automatic
Rolls Royce Ghost	Maserati Granturismo S Automatic	Rolls Royce Cullinan
Rolls Royce Phantom	Rolls Royce Dawn	Rolls Royce Dawn
Rolls Royce Wraith	Rolls Royce Ghost	Rolls Royce Ghost
Toyota Mirai	Rolls Royce Phantom	Rolls Royce Phantom
Volkswagen Audi R8	Rolls Royce Wraith	Rolls Royce Wraith
Volkswagen R8 Spyder	Toyota Mirai	Toyota Mirai
	Volkswagen Audi R8	Volkswagen Audi R8
	Volkswagen R8 Spyder	Volkswagen R8 Spyder

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NEW VEHICLE LINES BY MODEL YEAR

MY 2017	MY 2018	MY 2019
BMW Mini Countryman MPV	BMW X2	BMW 8 Series
Chrysler Jeep Compass	Chrysler Jeep Wrangler JK	Ford Lincoln Nautilis
Chrysler Pacifica	Ford EcoSport	GM Cadillac XT4
Ford Lincoln MKC	GM Chevrolet Volt	Honda Passport
GM Chevrolet Bolt	Honda Acura MDX	Hyundai Genesis G80
Honda Clarity	Hyundai Kia Niro	Jaguar I-Pace
Honda Pilot	Jaguar F-Pace	Kia Stinger
Hyundai Genesis G90	Mitsubishi Eclipse Cross	Land Rover Velar
Hyundai IONIQ	Nissan Kicks	Nissan Infiniti QX50
Jaguar F-Pace	Toyota Lexus LC	Subaru Ascent
Jaguar XE	Toyota Lexus NX and NX HV	Toyota Avalon
Maserati Levante/161 SUV	Volkswagen Atlas SUV	Toyota Lexus UX
Mazda Fiat 124 Spider		
Tesla Model 3		
Toyota Lexus RX		

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BACKGROUND

In 1984, the Motor Vehicle Theft Law Enforcement Act was created. It added Title VI to the Motor Vehicle and Information Cost Savings Act (recodified as Chapter 331 of Title 49, United States Code). As a means to prevent the theft of motor vehicles for their parts, the 1984 Theft Act required passenger cars and the major replacement parts for those cars to have vehicle identification numbers. This act required the Secretary of Transportation to complete a number of rulemaking actions targeted to reduce and deter motor vehicle theft. These rulemaking actions established standards for selecting high-theft cars and for identifying which parts of these high-theft cars should be marked with the vehicle identification number. Future rulemakings required the compilation and publication of theft rates for passenger vehicles.

On October 24, 1985, NHTSA published the Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard, 49 CFR Part 541. The purpose of this standard is to reduce motor vehicle theft by assisting law enforcement authorities in tracing and recovering the parts from stolen vehicles. The standard requires manufacturers to inscribe or attach the vehicle identification number (VIN) onto major parts of vehicles identified by the agency as likely high-theft car lines. This standard became effective beginning with the 1987 model year and required that selected high-theft car lines have 12 (two-door models) or 14 (four-door models) of its major components parts-marked with the VIN.

Each vehicle in a high-theft line must have its major parts and major replacement parts marked unless the vehicle line is granted an exemption from the partsmarking requirements. The vehicle can be exempted if an antitheft device has been installed as standard equipment on the entire line.

On August 28, 1985, NHTSA published the Procedures for Selecting Lines to Be Covered by the Theft Prevention Standard, 49 CFR Part 542. This August 1985 regulation established procedures to determine which passenger motor vehicle lines (passenger cars only) are covered by the Theft Prevention Standard. These procedures require automobile manufacturers to provide NHTSA with information necessary to select whether a new vehicle introduced for sale into the United States is likely to be a high-theft line and subject to the parts-marking requirements. On April 26, 1994, this regulation was amended to apply to all passenger cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles, and light-duty trucks (rated at 6,000 pounds gross vehicle weight or less).

On September 8, 1987, NHTSA published the regulation titled Exemption from the Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard, 49 CFR Part 543. This regulation encourages the installation of antitheft devices as standard equipment in factory-delivered motor vehicles. This rule allows for exemption from the parts-marking requirements of the Theft Prevention Standard. A manufacturer may petition for exemption of a high-theft vehicle line when it plans to install a standard equipment antitheft device on the entire line. The agency must determine that the antitheft device to be installed on the line is "likely to be as effective in reducing and deterring motor vehicle theft as compliance with the parts-marking requirements." On March 8, 1994, this regulation was amended to limit the number of high-theft lines that could be exempted per model year.

As a result of an increase in motor vehicle thefts and associated crimes, the Anti Car Theft Act of 1992 (the 1992 Theft Act) was created. The 1992 Theft Act identified carjackings and owning or operating a "chop shop" as Federal crimes, carrying with them stiff criminal penalties. The 1992 Theft Act amended the Theft Prevention Standard by extending the Federal parts-marking requirements to include light-duty trucks and multipurpose passenger vehicles (with a gross vehicle weight rating of 6,000 pounds or less). On December 13, 1994, the final rule amending the Theft Prevention Standard was published. This December 1994 rulemaking extended the parts-marking requirements as follows: (a) included multipurpose passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks; (b) listed the major component parts and replacement parts to be

marked for each of the classes of vehicles such as the engine, transmission, front/rear bumper, right/left front fender, hood, right/left front door, right/left rear door, sliding or cargo door(s), right/left quarter panel (passenger cars), right/left-side assembly (MPVs), pickup box, and/or cargo box (light-duty trucks), rear doors, decklid or hatchback and tailgate; and (c) established a new median theft rate (3.5826) for all passenger motor vehicles. This amendment became effective beginning with MY 1997 vehicles.

On April 6, 2004, NHTSA published a Final Rule extending the antitheft parts-marking requirements of the Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard, CFR Part 541. This regulation expanded NHTSA's antitheft parts-marking requirements to include: (1) all below-median-theft-rate passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles (with a gross vehicle weight rating of 6,000 pounds or less), and (2) below-median-theft-rate light-duty trucks with major parts that are interchangeable with passenger motor vehicles subject to parts-marking. This final rule became effective September 1, 2006.

On May 19, 2005, NHTSA published a Final Rule responding to petitions for reconsideration of the new rule extending the antitheft parts-marking requirements. This Final Rule made the following changes and clarifications to the agency's expanded parts-marking requirements: (1) manufacturers are no longer required to submit "likely theft rate determinations" for vehicle lines introduced prior to the September 1, 2006, effective date if the manufacturers choose to voluntarily mark the new vehicle lines immediately after their introduction; (2) manufacturers are permitted to petition the agency to exempt low-theft vehicle lines equipped with antitheft devices from the parts-marking requirements beginning with model year 2006; and (3) vehicle lines with annual production of not more than 3,500 vehicles are excluded from the parts-marking requirements.

On September 29, 2016, NHTSA published a Final Rule amending the regulation titled Exemption from Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard, 49 CFR Part 543. Specifically, 543.7 adds a streamlined exemption procedure for immobilizer-equipped vehicles by adding performance criteria for immobilizers. This amendment allows manufacturers to obtain an exemption from the theft prevention standard by complying with any of the four performance criteria currently accepted by Transport Canada and brings the U.S. antitheft requirements more into line with those of Canada. Manufacturers simply need to provide data to the agency showing that the device meets the performance criteria and a statement ensuring the reliability and durability of the device.

NHTSA also retained the existing process for gaining an exemption from the vehicle theft prevention standard. Therefore, manufacturers are still able to petition the agency to install other antitheft devices as standard equipment in a vehicle line to obtain an exemption from the theft prevention standard. However, this amendment does not increase the number of exemptions available to a manufacturer from the theft prevention standard.

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