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PARTS-MARKING QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

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FOREWORD

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is responsible for establishing and enforcing vehicle anti-theft 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 the agency has determined are likely to be stolen and also to assist law enforcement in their prosecution and motor vehicle theft prevention efforts. This guide is a quick-reference, comprehensive summary of the vehicles that are subject to the parts-marking requirements or that have been installed with an antitheft device as standard equipment. This guide lists each of the selected vehicles by manufacturer and vehicle nomenclature. This guide also identifies whether the vehicle's major and/or replacement parts should be marked, which vehicles are exempted from the parts-marking requirements, the type of exemption granted (partial or full), and the production year(s) for which the exemptions apply.

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VEHICLE LINES SUBJECT TO THE PARTS-MARKING REQUIREMENTS

MAKE/MODEL	REQUIRED PARTS-MARKING (MAJOR = M) (REPLACEMENT = R)	PRODUCTION YEAR(S) REQUIRING PARTS-MARKING	EXEMPTION TYPE (FULL/PARTIAL)	PRODUCTION YEARS EXEMPTED FROM PARTS-MARKING	REFERENCE INFORMATION (MY=MODEL YEAR)
ALFA ROMEO					
Milano 161	(M & R)	1988 – 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
164	(M & R)	1990 – 1995			Not produced after MY 1995.
AUSTIN ROVER					
Sterling			FULL	1987 - 1991	Not produced after MY 1991.
BMW					
3 Car Line ¹	(M & R)	1987 – 1998	FULL	1999 - 2005	
5 Car Line ²	(M & R)	1987 – 1996	FULL	1997 - 2005	
6 Car Line ³	(M & R)	1987 – 1989	FULL	2004 - 2005	Production stopped after MY 1989, but vehicle line was reintroduced in MY 2004.
7 Car Line ⁴	(M & R) (M & R)	1987 1989 – 1994	FULL FULL	1988 1995 - 2005	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1989 and resumed with MY 1995.
8 Car Line ⁵			FULL	1992 - 1997	Not produced after MY 1997.
MINI			FULL	2002 - 2005	
X5 (MPV)			FULL	2000 - 2005	
Z3	(M & R)	1996 – 2002			Not produced after MY 2002.
Z4			FULL	2003-2005	
Z8	(M & R)	2000 – 2005			
CONSULIER					
Consulier GTP	(M & R)	1991 – 1995			Not produced after MY 1995.
DAEWOO					
Nubira	(M & R)	2000 – 2002			Not produced after MY 2002. Replaced by the J200 in MY 2003. The J200 is not subject to the parts marking requirements.
DAIMLERCHRYSLER					
Chrysler Cirrus	(M & R)	1995 – 2000			Not produced after MY 2000.

¹ Includes the 318, 323, 325, 328, 330 and M3 models.

² Includes the 524, 525, 528, 530, 533, 535, 540, 545 and M5 models.

³ Includes the 633 and 635 models.

⁴ Includes the 733, 735, 740, 745, 750 and 760 models.

⁵ Includes the 840 and 850 models.

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DAIMLERCHRYSLER (continued)					
Chrysler Conquest			FULL	1987 - 1989	Not produced after MY 1989.
Chrysler Fifth Avenue/Newport	(M & R)	1987 - 1993			Not produced after MY 1993.
Chrysler Imperial			FULL	1990 - 1993	Not produced after MY 1993.
Chrysler Laser	(M & R)	1987			Not produced after MY 1987.
Chrysler LeBaron GTS	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Chrysler LeBaron/Town & Country	(M & R)	1987 - 1995			Not produced after MY 1995.
Chrysler New Yorker Fifth Avenue	(M & R)	1990 - 1993			Not produced after MY 1993.
Chrysler Sebring	(M & R)	1995 - 2005			
Chrysler's TC	(M & R)	1989 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
Chrysler Town and Country (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2004	FULL	2005	
Dodge 600	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
Dodge Aries	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Dodge Avenger	(M & R)	1995 - 2000			Not produced after MY 2000.
Dodge Colt	(M & R)	1994			Not produced after MY 1994.
Dodge Daytona	(M & R)	1987 - 1993			Not produced after MY 1993.
Dodge Diplomat	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Dodge Lancer	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Dodge Neon	(M & R)	1995 - 2005			
Dodge Shadow	(M & R)	1994			Not produced after MY 1994.
Dodge Stealth	(M & R)	1991 - 1996			Not produced after MY 1996.
Dodge Stratus	(M & R)	1995 - 2005			
Eagle Summit	(M & R)	1994 - 1996			Not produced after MY 1996.
Eagle Talon	(M & R)	1990 - 1998			Not produced after MY 1998.

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DAIMLERCHRYSLER (continued)					
Jeep Cherokee (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2001			Not produced after MY 2001. Replaced by the Liberty in MY 2002.
Jeep Grand Cherokee (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2003	FULL	2004 - 2005	
Jeep Liberty (MPV)	(M & R)	2002 - 2005			Replaced the Jeep Cherokee in MY 2002.
Jeep Wrangler (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Plymouth Breeze	(M & R)	1996 - 2000			Not produced after MY 2000.
Plymouth Caravelle	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
Plymouth Colt	(M & R)	1994			Not produced after MY 1994.
Plymouth Gran Fury	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Plymouth Laser	(M & R)	1991 - 1994			Not produced after MY 1994.
Plymouth Neon	(M & R)	1995 - 2001			Not produced after MY 2001.
Plymouth Reliant	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Plymouth Sundance	(M & R)	1994			Not produced after MY 1994.
FERRARI					
Mondial 8	(M & R)	1987 - 1993			Not produced after MY 1993.
328	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
FORD					
Aspire	(M & R)	1997			Not produced after MY 1997.
Crown Victoria	(M)	1997 - 2005			
Escort	(M & R)	1997 - 2003			Not produced after MY 2003.
Mustang	(M & R)	1987 - 1998	FULL	1999 - 2005	
Probe	(M & R)	1989 - 1997			Not produced after MY 1997.
Taurus	(M)	1997 - 1999	FULL	2000 - 2005	

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FORD (continued)					
Thunderbird	(M & R) (M & R)	1987 - 1997; 2002 - 2005			Not produced from MYs 1998 thru 2001. Reintroduced in MY 2002.
Lincoln Continental	(M & R)	1987 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002.
Lincoln Mark	(M & R)	1987 - 1998			Not produced after MY 1998.
Lincoln Town Car	(M & R)	1987 - 2002	FULL	2003 - 2005	
Mercury Capri	(M & R)	1991 - 1994			Not produced after MY 1994.
Mercury Cougar	(M & R) (M & R)	1987 - 1997 1999 - 2002			Not produced in MY 1998. Not produced after MY 2002.
Mercury Grand Marquis	(M)	1997 - 2001	FULL	2002 - 2005	
Mercury Sable	(M)	1997 - 2000	FULL	2001 - 2005	
Mercury Tracer	(M & R)	1997 - 1999			Not produced after MY 1999.
Merkur Scorpio	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
Merkur XR4Ti	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
GENERAL MOTORS					
Buick LaCrosse/ Century			FULL	2005	Regal/Century renamed LaCrosse/Century in MY 2005.
Buick LeSabre	(M & R)	1987 - 1999	PARTIAL FULL	1993 - 1999 2000 - 2005	From MYs 1993 - 1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only.
Buick Park Avenue	(M & R)	1987 - 1996	PARTIAL FULL	1992 - 1996 1997 - 2005	From MYs 1992 - 1996, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only.
Buick Electra	(M & R)	1987 - 1990			Not produced after MY 1990.
Buick Reatta	(M & R)	1988 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
Buick Regal	(M & R)	1988 - 1995	FULL	1996 - 2004	Renamed LaCrosse in MY 2005.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)					
Buick Century	(M & R)	1995 - 1996			Platform change - combined with Regal platform beginning with MY 1997.
Buick Regal/Century			FULL	1997 - 2004	Renamed LaCrosse/Century in MY 2005.
Buick Riviera	(M & R)	1987 - 1994	FULL	1995 - 1999	Not produced after MY 1999.
Buick Skylark	(M & R)	1997 - 1998			Not produced after MY 1998.
Cadillac Allante	(M & R)	1987	FULL	1988 - 1993	Not produced after MY 1993.
Cadillac Concours	(M & R)	1994 - 2000	PARTIAL	1994 - 2000	Replaced the Cadillac Sixty Special in MY 1994. Requires parts-marking for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2000.
Cadillac Deville	(M & R)	1987 - 1999	PARTIAL FULL	1991 - 1999 2000 - 2005	From MYs 1991 - 1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only.
Cadillac Eldorado	(M & R)	1987 - 2002	PARTIAL	1994 - 2002	From MYs 1994 - 2002, parts-marking is required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2002.
Cadillac Fleetwood	(M & R)	1987 - 1990	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	(M & R)	1987 - 1997	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.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)					
Cadillac Sixty Special	(M & R)	1993	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.
Chevrolet Astro (MPV)	(M)	1997 - 2005			
Chevrolet Blazer (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2004			Not produced after MY 2004.
Chevrolet Camaro	(M & R)	1987 - 2002	PARTIAL	1990 - 2002	From MYs 1990 - 2002, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2002.
Chevrolet Cavalier			FULL	1997 - 2005	
Chevrolet Classic			FULL	2004	Formerly identified as the Chevrolet Malibu which was produced from MY 1997 through 2003.
Chevrolet Corvette			FULL	1987 - 2005	
Chevrolet Impala/Monte Carlo			FULL	2000 - 2005	Replaced the Lumina/Monte Carlo in MY 2000.
Chevrolet Lumina	(M & R)	1990 - 1994			Renamed the Lumina/Monte Carlo in MY 1995.
Chevrolet Lumina/Monte Carlo	(M & R)	1995	FULL	1996 - 1999	Monte Carlo name plate was assigned to the 2-door Lumina coupe model in MY 1995. Renamed Impala/Monte Carlo in MY 2000.
Chevrolet Malibu	(M & R)	1997 - 2000	FULL	2001 - 2003	Replaced the Corsica beginning with MY 1997. The Chevrolet Malibu produced MY 1997 - 2003 was renamed the Chevrolet Classic in MY 2004.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)					
Chevrolet Nova	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			Not produced after MY 1988. Replaced by Geo Prizm in MY 1989. (The Geo identifier was replaced by the Chevrolet make identifier beginning with MY 1998).
Chevrolet Prizm	(M & R)	1998 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002.
Chevrolet S-10 Pickup	(M & R)	1997 - 2004			Not produced after MY 2004.
Chevrolet Tracker (MPV)	(M & R)	1998 - 2004			Not produced after MY 2004.
Chevrolet Uplander (MPV)			FULL	2005	Replaced the Venture in MY 2005.
Chevrolet Venture (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2001	FULL	2002 - 2004	Renamed Uplander in MY 2005.
Geo Prizm	(M & R)	1989 - 1997			Replaced the Nova in MY 1989. The Geo identifier was replaced by the Chevrolet make identifier beginning with MY 1998. (Geo Prizm to Chevrolet Prizm)
Geo Storm	(M & R)	1990 - 1993			Storm not produced after MY 1993.
Geo Tracker (MPV)	(M & R)	1997			The Geo identifier was replaced by the Chevrolet make identifier beginning with MY 1998. (Geo Tracker to Chevrolet Tracker)
GMC Jimmy (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2001			Not produced after MY 2001. Replaced by the GMC Envoy in MY 2002. The Envoy line is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
GMC Safari (MPV)	(M)	1997 - 2005			
GMC Sonoma Pickup	(M & R)	1997 - 2004			Not produced after MY 2004.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)					
Oldsmobile Achieva	(M & R)	1997 - 1998			Renamed the Alero in MY 1999. Achieva not produced after MY 1998.
Oldsmobile Alero			FULL	1999 - 2004	Replaced the Achieva in MY 1999. 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.
Oldsmobile Bravada	(M & R)	1997 - 2004			Not produced after MY 2004.
Oldsmobile Cutlass	(M & R)	1997 - 1999			Not produced after MY 1999.
Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme	(M & R)	1988 - 1997			Renamed Intrigue in MY 1998.
Oldsmobile Eighty-Eight	(M & R)	1987 - 1999	PARTIAL	1993 - 1999	From MYs 1993 - 1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 1999.
Oldsmobile Intrigue	(M & R)	1998 - 2002			Replaced the Cutlass Supreme in MY 1998. Not produced after MY 2002.
Oldsmobile Ninety-Eight	(M & R)	1987 - 1999	PARTIAL	1991 - 1999	From MYs 1991 - 1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 1999.
Oldsmobile Toronado	(M & R)	1987 - 1992	Exemption applied beginning with re-introduction of the line as the Oldsmobile Aurora in MY 1995.		Toronado not produced after MY 1992. Reintroduced as Oldsmobile Aurora in MY 1995.

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GENERAL MOTORS (continued)					
Pontiac Bonneville	(M & R)	1987 - 1999	PARTIAL FULL	1992 - 1999 2000 - 2005	From MY's 1992 - 1999, parts-marking was required for the engine and transmission only.
Pontiac Fiero	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
Pontiac Firebird	(M & R)	1987 - 2002	PARTIAL	1990 - 2002	From MY's 1991 - 2002, parts-marking is required for the engine and transmission only. Not produced after MY 2002.
Pontiac Grand Am	(M & R)	1997 - 1999	FULL	2000 - 2005	
Pontiac Grand Prix	(M & R)	1988 - 2002	FULL	2003 - 2005	
Pontiac Sunfire	(M & R)	1997	FULL	1998 - 2005	
Pontiac Vibe	(M & R)	2005			
Saturn Sports Coupe	(M & R)	1991 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002. Replaced by the Saturn Ion Coupe in MY 2004. The Ion is not subject to the parts marking requirements.
HONDA					
Accord	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Civic/Si/Del Sol	(M)	1997 - 2005			Del Sol not produced after MY 1997.
CRV (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Odyssey (MPV)	(M & R)	1999 - 2005			
Passport	(M & R)	1997 - 2002			Replaced by the Pilot in MY 2003.
Pilot (MPV)	(M & R)	2003 - 2005			Replaced the Passport in MY 2003.
Prelude	(M & R)	1997 - 2001			Not produced after MY 2001.
S2000	(M & R)	2000 - 2005			
Acura CL	(M & R)	2001 - 2003	FULL	1997 - 1999	Not produced in MY 2000. Not produced after MY 2003.

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HONDA (continued)					
Acura Integra	(M & R)	1997 - 2001			Not produced after MY 2001. Replaced by the Acura RSX in MY 2002.
Acura Legend	(M & R)	1987 - 1990	FULL	1991 - 1995	Renamed Acura RL in MY 1996.
Acura MDX (MPV)	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Acura NSX			FULL	1991 - 2005	
Acura RL	(M & R)	1996 - 2005			Replaced the Acura Legend in MY 1996.
Acura RSX	(M & R)	2002 - 2005			Replaced the Acura Integra in MY 2002.
Acura SLX (MPV)	(M & R)	1998 - 1999	FULL	1997	Exemption was not used in MY 1998 and 1999. Not produced after MY 1999.
Acura TL			FULL	1995 - 2005	Replaced the Acura Vigor in MY 1995.
Acura Vigor			FULL	1992 - 1994	Renamed the Acura TL in MY 1995.
HYUNDAI					
Accent	(M & R)	1996 - 2005			
Sonata	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Tiburon	(M & R)	1998 - 2005			
ISUZU					
Amigo	(M & R)	1998 - 2000			Renamed the Rodeo Sport in MY 2001.
Axiom (MPV)	(M & R)	2002	FULL	2003 - 2004	Not produced after MY 2004.
Hombre	(M & R)	1997 - 2000			Not produced after MY 2000.
Impulse	(M & R)	1987 - 1993			The Impulse received a full exemption beginning MY 1987, however the exemption was not used. The Impulse is required to be parts-marked. Not produced after MY 1993.
Rodeo	(M & R)	1997 - 2004			Not produced after MY 2004.
Rodeo Sport	(M & R)	2001 - 2003			Replaced the Amigo in MY 2001. Not produced after MY 2003.

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ISUZU (continued)					
Stylus	(M & R)	1991 - 1993			Not produced after MY 1993.
Trooper/Trooper II	(M & R)	1997 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002.
VehiCross (MPV)	(M & R)	1999 - 2001			Not produced after MY 2001.
JAGUAR					
XJ ⁶	(M & R)	1987 - 2003			The XJ line was redesigned in MY 2004. The MY 2004 XJ line is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
XK7			FULL	1997 - 2005	
KIA					
Rio	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Optima	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Sephia	(M & R)	1998 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002.
Spectra	(M & R)	2000 - 2005			
LOTUS					
Elan	(M & R)	1991 - 1992			Not produced after MY 1992.
MASERATI					
Biturbo	(M & R)	1987 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
Quattroporte	(M & R)	1987 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
228	(M & R)	1989 - 1990			Not produced after MY 1990.
MAZDA					
6			FULL	2003	Replaced the 626 in MY 2003.
626	(M & R)	1987 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002. Replaced by the Mazda 6 in MY 2003.
929			FULL	1988 - 1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
Millenia			FULL	1995 - 2002	Not produced after MY 2002.

⁶ Includes the XJ6, XJ8, XJ12, XJR, XJS and Vanden Plas models.

⁷ Includes the XK8 and XKR models.

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MAZDA (continued)					
MX-3	(M & R)	1992 - 1996			Not produced after MY 1996.
MX-5 Miata	(M & R)	1990 - 2004	FULL	2005	
MX-6	(M & R)	1988 - 1997			Not produced after MY 1997.
RX-7			FULL	1988 - 1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
MERCEDES-BENZ					
107 Line (SL-Class) ⁸	(M & R)	1987 - 1989			Replaced by the 129 line (SL-Class) in MY 1990.
560SL		1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
124 Line (E-Class) ⁹	(M & R)	1987 - 1992	FULL	1993 - 1995	The 124 line (E-Class) was replaced by the 210 line in MY 1996. The 210 line is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
260E		1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
300D		1987;1990 - 1993		1993	Not produced after MY 1993. Replaced by the E300 model in MY 1995.
300E		1987 - 1992		1993	300E, 300CE and 300TE models were renamed the E320 model in MY 1994.
300CE		1988 - 1992		1993	300E, 300CE and 300TE models were renamed the E320 model in MY 1994.
300TD		1987			Not produced after MY 1987.
300TE		1988 - 1992		1993	300E, 300CE and 300TE models were renamed the E320 model in MY 1994.
400E		1992		1993	Renamed the E420 model in MY 1994.

⁸ Includes the 560SL model.

⁹ Includes the 260E, 300D, 300E, 300CE, 300TD, 300TE, 400E, 500E, E300, E320, E420 (MY's 1994 - 1995 only), and E500 models.

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MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)					
124 Line (E-Class)⁹ (continued)	(M & R)	1987 - 1992	FULL	1993 - 1995	
500E		1992		1993	Renamed the E500 model in MY 1994.
E300				1995	Replaced the 300D model in MY 1995. The 124 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.
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.
126 Line (S-Class)¹⁰	(M & R)	1987 - 1991			The 126 line (S-Class) was replaced by the 140 line (S-Class) line in MY 1992. The 140 line (S-Class) is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
300SDL		1987			Not produced after MY 1987.
300SE		1988 - 1991			The 126 line 300SE model was not produced after MY 1991.
300SEL		1988 - 1991			The 126 line 300SEL model was not produced after MY 1991.

⁹ Includes the 260E, 300D, 300E, 300CE, 300TD, 300TE, 400E, 500E, E300, E320, E420 (MY's 1994–1995 only), and E500 models.

¹⁰ Includes the 300SDL, 300SE (MY's 1988 - 1991 only), 300SEL, 350SD, 350SDL, 420SEL, 560SEC, and 560SEL models.

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MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)					
126 Line (S-Class)¹⁰ (continued)	(M & R)	1987 - 1991			The 126 line (S-Class) was replaced by the 140 (S-Class) line in MY 1992. The 140 line (S-Class) is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
350SD		1990 - 1991			The 126 line 350SD model was not produced after MY 1991.
350SDL		1990 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
420SEL		1987 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
560SEC		1987 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
560SEL		1987 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991.
129 Line (SL-Class)¹¹	(M & R)	1990 - 1992	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 is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
300SL		1990 - 1992		1993	Not produced after MY 1993. Replaced by the SL320 model in MY 1994.
500SL		1990 - 1992		1993	Renamed the SL500 model in MY 1994.
600SL		1992		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.

¹⁰ Includes the 300SDL, 300SE (MY's 1988 - 1991 only), 300SEL, 350SD, 350SDL, 420SEL, 560SEC, and 560SEL models.

¹¹ Includes the 300SL, 500SL, 600SL, SL320, SL500, and SL600 models.

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MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)					
129 Line (SL-Class)¹¹ (continued)	(M & R)	1990 - 1992	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 is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
SL500				1994 - 2002	Replaced the 500SL in MY 1994. The 129 line SL500 model was not produced after MY 2002.
SL600				1994 - 2002	Replaced the 600SL in MY 1994. The 129 line SL600 model was not produced after MY 2002.
201 Line (190-Class)¹²	(M & R)	1987 - 1993			Replaced by the 202 line (C-Class) in MY 1994.
190D		1987 - 1989			Not produced after MY 1989.
190E		1987 - 1993			Not produced after MY 1993.
202 Line (C-Class)¹³	(M & R)	1994 - 1995	FULL	1996 - 2000	Replaced the 201 line (190-Class) in MY 1994. Replaced by the 203 line (C-Class) in MY 2001. The 203 line is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
C220		1994 - 1995		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.

¹¹ Includes the 300SL, 500SL, 600SL, SL320, SL500, and SL600 models.

¹² Includes the 190D and 190E models.

¹³ Includes the C220, C230, C280, C36, and C43 models.

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MERCEDES-BENZ (continued)					
202 Line (C-Class) ¹³ (continued)	(M & R)	1994 - 1995	FULL	1996 - 2000	Replaced the 201 line (190-Class) in MY 1994. Replaced by the 203 line (C-Class) in MY 2001. The 203 line is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
C280		1994 - 1995		1996 - 2000	The 202 line C280 model was not produced after MY 2000.
C36		1995		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.
MITSUBISHI					
Cordia	(M & R)	1987- 1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
Diamante			FULL	1993 - 2005	
Eclipse	(M & R)	1989 - 2005			
Galant	(M & R)	1987 - 2005			The Galant received a full exemption beginning MY 1987, however the exemption is not being used. The Galant is required to be parts-marked.
Mirage	(M & R)	1994 - 2002			Not produced after MY 2002.
Montero (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Montero Sport (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Starion			FULL	1987 - 1990	Not produced after MY 1990.
Tredia	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
3000GT	(M & R)	1991 - 1999			Not produced after MY 1999.
Lancer	(M & R)	2002 - 2005			
NISSAN					
240SX	(M & R)	1997 - 1998			Not produced after MY 1998.

¹³ Includes the C220, C230, C280, C36, and C43 models.

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NISSAN (continued)					
300ZX			FULL	1987 - 1996	Not produced after MY 1996.
Altima	(M & R)	1998 - 1999	FULL	2000 - 2005	
Stanza/Altima	(M & R)	1997			Stanza/Altima renamed Altima in MY 1998.
Maxima	(M & R)	1995 - 1998	FULL FULL	1987 - 1994; 1999 - 2005	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1995 and resumed with MY 1999.
Pathfinder	(M & R)	1997 - 2000	FULL	2001 - 2005	
Sentra/200SX	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			200SX was not produced after MY 1998.
Xterra	(M & R)	2000 - 2005			
Infiniti G35			FULL	2003 - 2005	
Infiniti I30/I35			FULL	1996 - 2005	
Infiniti J30			FULL	1993 - 1997	Not produced after MY 1997.
Infiniti M30			FULL	1990 - 1992	Not produced after MY 1992.
Infiniti M45	(M & R)	2003	FULL	2005	
Infiniti QX4			FULL	1997 - 2005	
Infiniti Q45			FULL	1990 - 2005	
PEUGEOT					
405	(M & R)	1989 - 1992			Not produced after MY 1992.
PORSCHE					
924S	(M & R)	1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
911	(M & R) (M & R)	1987 - 1989 1994	FULL FULL	1990 - 1993 1995 - 2005	Exemption was discontinued in MY 1994 and resumed with MY 1995.
928	(M & R)	1987 - 1989	FULL	1990 - 1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
968			FULL	1992 - 1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
986 Boxster			FULL	1997 - 2005	
SAAB					
9-3			FULL	1999 - 2005	Replaced the 900 in MY 1999.
900	(M & R)	1987 - 1993	FULL	1994 - 1998	Not produced after MY 1998. Renamed the 9-3 in MY 1999.

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SAAB (continued)					
9000	(M & R)	1987 - 1988	FULL	1989 - 1998	Not produced after MY 1998. Replaced by the 9-5 in MY 1999. The 9-5 is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
SUBARU					
Baja (MPV)	(M & R)	2003 - 2005			
XT	(M & R)	1987 - 1991			Not produced after MY 1991. Replaced by the SVX in MY 1992.
SVX	(M & R)	1992 - 1997			Replaced the XT in MY 1992. SVX was not produced after MY 1997.
Forester	(M & R)	1998 - 2005			
Legacy	(M & R)	2005			
Legacy Outback	(M & R)	1995 - 2004			Platform change beginning with MY 2005. The MY 2005 Subaru Outback (MPV) is not subject to the parts-marking requirements.
SUZUKI					
X-90 (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 1998			Not produced after MY 1998.
Aerio	(M & R)	2002 - 2005			
Sidekick	(M & R)	1997 - 1998			Renamed Suzuki Vitara in MY 1999 (includes Vitara and Grand Vitara models).
Vitara/Grand Vitara/XL-7 (MPV)	(M & R)	1999 - 2005			Replaced the Sidekick in MY 1999. The XL7 model was added to the Grand Vitara line in MY 2001.
TOYOTA¹⁴					
Scion xA	(M & R)	2004 - 2005			
Scion xB	(M & R)	2004 - 2005			
Toyota 4-Runner (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Toyota Avalon	(M & R)	1995 - 2005			

¹⁴ Toyota has voluntarily parts-marked 100% of its vehicle lines since MY 1996.

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TOYOTA¹⁴ (continued)					
Toyota Camry/Solara	(M & R)	1987 - 2005			Solara produced after MY 1999.
Toyota Celica	(M & R)	1987 - 2005			
Toyota Corolla/ Corolla Sport	(M & R)	1987 - 2005			Corolla Sport not produced after MY 1990.
Toyota Cressida			FULL	1987 - 1992	Not produced after MY 1992.
Toyota Echo	(M & R)	2000 - 2005			Replaced the Toyota Tercel.
Toyota Highlander (MPV)	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Toyota Matrix	(M & R)	2003 - 2005			
Toyota MR2	(M & R)	1987 - 1995			Not produced after MY 1995.
Toyota MR2 Spyder	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Toyota Prius	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Toyota RAV4 (MPV)	(M & R)	1997 - 2005			
Toyota Sienna (MPV)	(M & R)	1998 - 2005			
Toyota Supra			FULL	1987 - 1998	Not produced after MY 1998.
Toyota Tercel	(M & R)	1997 - 1999			Not produced after MY 1999.
Lexus ES			FULL	1990 - 2005	
Lexus GS			FULL	1993 - 2005	
Lexus IS	(M & R)	2001 - 2005			
Lexus LS			FULL	1990 - 2005	
Lexus RX (MPV)	(M & R)	1999 - 2005			
Lexus SC			FULL FULL	1992 - 2000; 2002 - 2005	Not produced in MY 2001.
VOLKSWAGEN					
Audi 5000S	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			The 5000S received a full exemption beginning MY 1987, however the exemption was not used. The 5000S was required to be parts-marked. Not produced after MY 1988.
Audi 100			FULL	1989 - 1994	Renamed Audi A6 in MY 1995.
Audi 200			FULL	1989 - 1991	Renamed Audi S4 in MY 1992.

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VOLKSWAGEN (continued)					
Audi A6/S6/RS6 ¹⁵			FULL	1995 - 2005	Replaced the Audi 100 in MY 1995.
Audi S4 ¹⁶			FULL	1992 - 1994	Replaced by the Audi S6 in MY 1995. Replaced the Audi 200 in MY 1992. Not produced after MY 1994.
Audi S6			FULL	1995 - 1998	Replaced the Audi S4 in MY 1995. Not produced after MY 1998.
Audi allroad quattro (MPV)			FULL	2001 - 2005	
Audi Cabriolet			FULL	1994 - 1998	Not produced after MY 1998.
Volkswagen Cabrio			FULL	1995 - 2002	Replaced the VW Cabriolet in MY 1995. Not produced after MY 2002.
Volkswagen Cabriolet	(M & R)	1987 - 1993	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	(M & R)	1989 - 1994	FULL	1995	Not produced after MY 1995.
Volkswagen Golf/GTI/R32			FULL	1996 - 2005	
Volkswagen Passat			FULL	1997 - 2005	
Volkswagen Scirocco	(M & R)	1987 - 1988			Not produced after MY 1988.
Volkswagen Jetta/Jetta III			FULL	1994 - 2005	

¹⁵ Audi produced both an S6 vehicle line, and a model carrying the same name plate. The S6 model was added to the A6 vehicle line in MY 2002 and the RS6 model was added in MY 2003.

¹⁶ Audi produced both an S6 vehicle line, and a model carrying the same nameplate. The S6 was added to the A6 vehicle line in MY 2002.

¹⁷ For clarification purposes, Audi produced an S4 vehicle line, and a model carrying the same nameplate. The S4 model was added to the A4 vehicle line in MY 2000. The A4 line (produced MY's 2000–2003) is not subject to the parts-marking requirements. However, the S4 line (produced MY's 1992–1994) is subject to the parts-marking requirements.

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 compilation of theft rates for passenger cars, and for insurance companies to provide the federal government with data on their theft and recovery experience.

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 trace and recover 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 component parts-marked with the V.I.N. 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 parts-marking requirements. The vehicle can be exempted if an antitheft device has been installed as standard equipment on the entire line.

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 rule-making extended the parts-marking requirements: (a) to include 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 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 the agency 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 entitled 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 parts marking." On March 8, 1994, this regulation was amended to limit the number of high-theft lines that could be exempted per model year.

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