Employee Lease First Class Wheel and Tire Protection Program Guidelines

Overview of Coverage: First Class Wheel and Tire Protection coverage provided by Safe-Guard Products ("Administrator/Provider") is optional for eligible models within the Mercedes-Benz Employee Lease Program. First Class Wheel and Tire Protection will provide protection to the Employee for the approved costs associated with the replacement of the covered vehicle’s tires and/or wheels damaged by a covered road hazard in the United States or Canada. This is to the extent the tire is flat or the wheel fails to seal with the tire. The approved cost will consist of an approved replacement tire and/or wheel of like kind and quality at the average regional retail market rate and the approved costs associated with the replacement including mounting, balancing, valve stems, and taxes. Towing costs necessitated by damage caused by a covered Road Hazard will be covered up to $100. Please refer to Acknowledgment Form and the First Class Wheel and Tire Protection Agreement for details on covered road hazards and customer maintenance obligations.

Exclusions from Coverage: This protection does not cover cosmetic damage to the vehicle’s tires or wheels or damage due to curb impact, sidewall damage, broken tire belts, operator error, abnormal wear, weather cracking, tread separation, dry rot, fixed object impact, or vandalism. Please refer to Acknowledgment Form and the First Class Wheel and Tire Protection Agreement for details on non-covered expenses.

Enrollment Process: If employees would like to take advantage of the optional First Class Wheel & Tire Protection coverage in connection with their Employee Lease Vehicle, please check the box within the Vehicle Selector during the ordering process. For pricing information, please refer to Employee Lease Program Wheel and Tire Rate Sheet applicable to the employee’s state of residence, located in the Vehicle Selector. The signed First Class Wheel and Tire Protection Acknowledgement Form and a check made payable to Mercedes-Benz Financial Services for the appropriate full 12-month Wheel and Tire cost must be provided to the Employee Lease Program Coordinator at the time of lease signing. Note: Vehicles that have been ordered but have not taken delivery are eligible; Vehicles that have already taken delivery are not eligible.

Deductible: Employees residing in the states of Connecticut, Michigan, New Jersey and New York (at the time of lease signing) agree to pay a $100 deductible per wheel and $50 deductible per tire replaced. There is no deductible required in the other states. If employees change their garaging address during the wheel and tire coverage period, the original rate and deductibles (if applicable) at the time of lease signing still apply for the remainder of the coverage period.

Claims: For claim processing, please reference First Class Wheel & Tire Protection Agreement Terms, Conditions and Claim Procedures.
Pull-ahead Program: Employees who take advantage of the 8,000 mile “opt-out” option for returning their employee lease vehicle will receive a pro-rata refund of the Wheel and Tire Protection cost based on the unexpired term less any claims paid. This calculation is based on the date of the vehicle return. The refund is sent by check to the garaging address on the account following the month in which the vehicle is returned.

Cancellation: Employees may cancel the Wheel and Tire protection coverage within sixty (60) days of the date of taking possession of the employee lease vehicle for a full refund of the cost less any claims paid, or after sixty (60) days for a pro-rata refund based on the unexpired term less any claims paid. To initiate the cancellation process, please contact the Employee Lease Team at employeesales@mbusa.com.

If an employee cancels Wheel and Tire coverage two times within two calendar years for any vehicles registered in the employee’s name, the employee will be ineligible to enroll in the Wheel and Tire program for a period of one year from the last cancellation date.