



Mercedes

A-Class (W168)

Engine: M 166.940 (60KW)

ABS activates sporadically

In the case of the above-mentioned vehicles, it may be that the ABS control lamp suddenly illuminates and that unwanted braking occurs.

As the fault occurs only occasionally, the fault memory often gives no indication of a defect or malfunction.

One possible cause is a brief voltage drop in the vehicle electric system. This is often caused by a defective/excessively old battery.

The battery defect is not necessarily noticeable when starting. Occasional short-circuits of individual cells in the battery (e.g. through anode sludge) lead to a voltage drop. If the above-mentioned complaint arises, a suitable tester (e.g. Hella BD9734) should be used to test the battery with regard to starting capacity and state of charge.