

Press release

The law firm Jordan Fuhr Meyer represents customers of the VW Group, who have a claim for damages against the carmaker and the dealers. The firm's specialist lawyers have been dealing with claims for damages since the beginning of the exhaust scandal, providing customers with prompt legal advice. Claims for damages exist because since 2007 every car dealer is required to issue customers with a so-called declaration of conformity for each sale. With this declaration of conformity the dealer confirms that the vehicle's exhaust emissions comply with EU standards. At the same time, it also confirms compliance with the EU requirements under emissions law. These also include the absence of manipulative software, since this is expressly forbidden.

Attorney Sascha Conradi, LL.M., specializes in traffic and insurance law. He explained: "VW admits the violation. Since the customer has suffered damage as a result of increased consumption and lower performance, we are committed to ensuring that such damage is compensated. As a nationwide law firm, we represent the injured parties before every German local, regional and higher regional court from our seven regional offices. We are therefore ideally positioned to assert the claims of a large number of VW customers."

The law firm Jordan Fuhr Meyer is currently preparing to cooperate with a number of US and Canadian lawyers. As a result, German claimants will soon be able to join a class action before the US courts. The expected damages are many times higher than the amounts recoverable before German courts.

In addition to vehicles of the brand VW, the makes Audi, Skoda and Seat are also affected. All engines with the number EA189 are faulty. It is often not easy for customers to determine whether their vehicle has this engine number. The vehicle registration certificate alone does not provide this information. The best option is to visit a car repair shop.

The following claims can be asserted:

1. Subsequent performance. This involves the vehicle being modified in such a way that the emission values actually comply with the standard. However, as a result the vehicle is less powerful and consumes more Diesel.
2. Damages: A vehicle that is less fuel-efficient and less powerful is worth less money. This loss in value must be compensated.

3. Right of withdrawal: As a last resort the buyers can withdraw from the contract of sale. They will then be refunded the purchase price, less an amount for the use of the vehicle.

Since the sale of vehicles that do not comply with EU standards is prohibited, the buyer's claims are directed not only against the dealer, but also against the VW Group and the respective group company (VW, Audi, Seat and Skoda).

Further information is available online at www.abgasskandal24.de. Claimants will also be able to find a detailed questionnaire there.



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