

Interest groups and Volkswagen reach collective settlement for EA189 diesel drivers

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Stichting Car Claim, Stichting Diesel Emissions Justice and Volkswagen Group Diesel Efficiency Stichting (in cooperation with Consumentenbond) have reached an agreement with Volkswagen on compensation for Dutch (former) owners of cars with EA 189 diesel engines. This concerns diesel cars of the brands Volkswagen, Audi, Seat, and Škoda brought on the Dutch market in the years 2008 - 2015. Owners of more than 100,000 vehicles are expected to be compensated with this settlement.

Consumers and companies who bought a new or used Volkswagen, Audi, Seat, or Škoda car with an EA189 engine in the Netherlands are offered compensation which, depending on the number of applications, can range from approximately €300 to €2,500. The amount of compensation depends on the model of car, when the car was purchased and whether it concerns a new or used car.

The settlement puts an end to legal proceedings of the three interest groups against the Volkswagen group, the Dutch importer and dealers for vehicles with an EA 189 engine in the Netherlands.

Car Claim Foundation president Guido van Woerkom is delighted with the settlement: *"Since the stichting was founded, we have fought hard for a fair arrangement for Dutch car owners. It took a while, but parties have now reached an appropriate solution."*

Chairman Andrew Goodman of Emissions Justice says of the agreement, *"After years of litigation, the time was ripe for settlement talks between Volkswagen and the three interest groups. After intense negotiations, there is now a reasonable solution that consumers and business owners can be satisfied with."*

Chairman Dick Bouma of Volkswagen Group Diesel Efficiency Foundation (VGDES): *"This is a good outcome that will help our constituents. Anyone who has bought a diesel car with EA 189 engine in the past can apply for the settlement in good time."*

Applications to the settlement are accepted until December 10, 2025 at www.dieselakkoord.nl. To be eligible for compensation, participants in the settlement must be able to demonstrate that they own or have owned an EA189 diesel vehicle.

About Emissions Justice

Founded in 2019, Emissions Justice has been pursuing legal action since 2020 against multiple diesel car manufacturers for their part in the Diesel scandal. Emissions Justice represents the interests of consumers and business owners and is supported by industry associations including Transport and Logistics Netherlands (*Transport en Logistiek Nederland*), Royal Dutch Transport (*Koninklijk Vervoer Nederland*), Royal Dutch Association of Printing Companies (*Koninklijk Verbond van Grafische Onderneming*), and the Central Association of Mobile Trade (*Centrale Vereniging Ambulante Handel*).