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Yokohama Rubber's ADVAN to Come Factory-Equipped on New Mercedes-Benz SL-Class Models

Tokyo - The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., announced today that its "ADVAN Sport V105 MO" tires for high-powered cars - part of its global flagship ADVAN series - have been selected as original equipment for new models of the Mercedes-Benz SL-Class, two-seater open sports car produced by Daimler AG of Germany. Tire sizes for the new models are 255/40R18 95Y for the front and 285/35R18 97Y for the rear.

The "ADVAN Sport V105 MO" was developed jointly by Yokohama Rubber and Daimler, and the "MO" mark on the side of each tire signifies approval by Daimler. The new tires deliver all of the stability in the super high-speed range of their predecessor, the "ADVAN Sport (V103)", with further improved performance on wet and dry surfaces and braking. Quiet ride and a high level of comfort are finely balanced. The "ADVAN Sport V105 MO" is also fitted as original equipment on CLS-Class and SLK-Class vehicles released in 2011. The predecessor "ADVAN Sport (V103)" is fitted as original equipment on the Audi S8, A7 and Q7, the Porsche 911 Carrera 4 and Cayenne, and the Bentley Continental, in addition to Mercedes-Benz models.

Yokohama tires are also fitted as original equipment on other Mercedes-Benz cars, including the G-Class, G-Class AMG, CL-Class AMG, ML-Class AMG, E-Class Coupe, C-Class, C-Class AMG, CLS-Class, SLK-Class, B-Class and A-Class.

ADVAN is a global flagship brand representing Yokohama Rubber. Included among currently available lines are the "ADVAN Sport (V103)" for high-powered cars, the "ADVAN S.T." for next generation SUVs, the "ADVAN NEOVA AD08" for street sport vehicles, the "ADVAN A050" for motorsports, and the premium comfort tire the "ADVAN dB". Yokohama Rubber is also active in joint development with leading global car manufacturers and tuners, and ADVAN tires are featured on some of the world's leading high-performance automobiles. In motor sports, ADVAN racing tires enjoy an excellent reputation and have been the designated control tires for some of the world's top races, including the FIA World Touring Car Championship (WTCC), FIA F2 Championship and ADAC GT Masters.



"ADVAN Sport V105 MO" fitted as original equipment