

# BMW Group

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Attention: VIN Coordinator  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
400 Seventh Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Re: Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Decipherments for certain 2008 Model Year  
BMW 5 Series Models

Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter is in reference to Part 565. Please find enclosed a table with the information necessary to decipher the characters contained in the Vehicle Identification Numbers (VINs) of the following 2008 model year U.S. BMW models:

528i 4-door Sedan  
528xi 4-door Sedan  
535i 4-door Sedan  
535xi 4-door Sedan

535xi 4-door Sports Wagon  
M5 4-door Sedan  
550i 4-door Sedan

Sincerely,



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Enclosure (1)



**BMW Model Year 2008 Decipherment of VINs in Accordance with Part 565**

Vehicle	Manufacturer Identifier			Line, Series, Body Type, Engine Type			Restraint System / GVWR (MPV)	Check Digit	Model Year	Plant of Mfrature	Sequential Production Number	Explanation of Positions 4, 5, 6, 7							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12 - 17	Line	Series	Body Type	Engine information			
																	Engine Type	Power (BHP)	Displ. (cu.in. / liter)
528i Sedan	W	B	A	N	U	5	3	5	-	8	-	To be assigned by manufacturer	5 - BMW Pass. Car	528i	4-Dr Sedan	6-Cyl. (	230	182.8 / 3.0	
528xi Sedan	W	B	A	N	V	1	3	5	-	8	-		5 - BMW Pass. Car	528xi	4-Dr Sedan	6-Cyl. (	230	182.8 / 3.0	
535i Sedan	W	B	A	N	W	1	3	5	-	8	-		5 - BMW Pass. Car	535i	4-Dr Sedan	6-Cyl. (	300	181.8 / 3.0	
535xi Sedan	W	B	A	N	V	9	3	5	-	8	-		5 - BMW Pass. Car	535xi	4-Dr Sedan	6-Cyl. (	300	181.8 / 3.0	
535xi Sports Wagon	W	B	A	P	T	7	3	5	-	8	-		5 - BMW Pass. Car	535xi Sports Wagon	4-Dr Wagon	6-Cyl. (	300	181.8 / 3.0	
550i Sedan	W	B	A	N	W	5	3	5	-	8	-		5 - BMW Pass. Car	550i	4-Dr Sedan	8-Cyl. (	360	292.9 / 4.8	
M5 Sedan	W	B	S	N	B	9	3	5	-	8	-		5 - BMW Pass. Car	M5	4-Dr Sedan	10-Cyl.	500	305.1 / 5.0	

**Explanation of Positions 1-3 (World Manufacturer Identifier)**

	Manufacturer	Make	Type
WBA	BMW AG, Munich, Germany	BMW	Passenger Car
WBS	BMW M GmbH, Munich, Germany	BMW	Passenger Car
WBX	BMW AG, Munich, Germany	BMW	MPV
5UX	BMW Manufact. Corp., Spartanburg, SC, USA	BMW	MPV
4US	BMW Manufact. Corp., Spartanburg, SC, USA	BMW	Passenger Car
5UM	BMW Manufact. Corp., Spartanburg, SC, USA	BMW	Passenger Car

**Explanation of Position 11 (Plant of Manufacture)**

A, F, K	Munich	GERMANY
E, J, P	Regensburg	GERMANY
B, C, D, G	Dingolfing	GERMANY
L	Greer, South Carolina	USA
N	Pretoria	SOUTH AFRICA
W	Graz	AUSTRIA
V	Leipzig	GERMANY

**Explanation of Position 8 (Restraint System / GVWR)**

Pass. Car	5	Manual safety belts with driver and passenger dual-stage suppl. restraint system (SRS) certified to the advanced airbag requirements of FMVSS 208, S14
MPV	4	Class D - Greater than 2268 kg to 2722 kg (5001-6000 lbs)
	5	Class E - Greater than 2722 kg to 3175 kg (6001-7000 lbs)