



Mercedes E220 (W124) Engine: 111.960

Start-up and idling problems

In the case of the above-mentioned vehicles, with Motronic M3.4, it can happen that the engine has trouble starting up or does not start up at all when hot or cold and/or has idling problems. This is only usually noticeable at high mileage. There is often no fault code stored in the fault store. The cause could be charring of the gap between throttle valve and throttle fitting (photo). An attempt can be made to re-establish the full functionality of the throttle valve by cleaning these parts using a suitable cleaning agent. The throttle valve then has to be checked to make sure it moves easily and is not worn. If signs of wear are found, we recommend replacing the whole unit.

