



Press briefing

BILSTEIN B6 Camper & B6 Camper Advanced Now also available for VW California T6 and T6.1

Essen / Ennepetal, 16. Dezember 2025 – Those who travel with a motor home are familiar with one problem: OE shock absorbers have to make numerous compromises. They are expected to work both when empty and fully loaded – and in everyday use, they often only do this to a limited extent.

Why special Camper shock absorbers are a good option

Load and centre of gravity change significantly when in travel mode. The load, bicycles at the rear, kitchen extension or holiday luggage have a noticeable effect on driving performance. This is where BILSTEIN's suspension solutions come in, as they are specially developed for converted panel vans and semi-integrated vehicles

Advantages of B6 Camper and B6 Camper Advanced

The OE replacement solutions offer comfortable, durable and high-quality damping. When travelling and in everyday life, users benefit noticeably from:

- Improved road handling
- Reduced sideways tilt in wind and on bends
- Longer lifespan, even when fully loaded

The B6 Camper Advanced also offers purely mechanical, automatic damping force adjustment ("DampMatic"), without any electronics or wiring. Ideal for campers who do not want an additional technical system but still want much more comfort.

Popular upgrade in the workshop

Workshops and parts dealers have been offering BILSTEIN camper solutions as the preferred upgrade for years. Vehicles like the VW California T5 or the Fiat Ducato are converted to B6/B6 Advanced especially frequently. And this is often done not only when replacement is necessary, but also as a precautionary measure.

New for VW California T6 and T6.1

The popular shock absorbers are now available also for the following models:

- VW California T6 (April 2015 - December 2019)
- VW California T6.1 (from October 2019)

BILSTEIN takes into account the different load and suspension variants of the individual series in order to offer the best possible result.

A growing market

The demand for camper vans continues to rise. In 2024, around 907,879 camper vans were registered in Germany. The VW California still is one of the most popular models – both for travel and everyday use. Many owners are now upgrading to high-quality shock absorbers earlier, often directly during development or before long journeys. B6 Camper and B6 Camper Advanced fulfil precisely this desire, offering greater comfort and safety.

Added value for workshops and dealers

An attractive opportunity is opening up for businesses: they can now offer the large community of California T6/T6.1 owners a proven and renowned upgrade solution.

A complete product range, now also for the Sprinter B910

Drivers of the Mercedes-Benz Sprinter B910 (from October 2021) can now use the special BILSTEIN Camper shock absorbers as well. The product range thus covers the common variants with front or rear-wheel drive as well as ladder and flat frames.

All information about the Camper shock absorbers can be found here:

[BILSTEIN B6 Camper](#)

[BILSTEIN B6 Camper Advanced](#)

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About BILSTEIN

BILSTEIN is part of thyssenkrupp AG and has its headquarters in Ennepetal, Germany. The company develops and produces suspensions, shock absorbers and springs for cars and vans and is one of the world's largest suppliers with an annual production of around 13 million shock absorbers. BILSTEIN is a technology leader and a global player with more than 4,100 employees at nine locations in six countries – including the UK, the USA, Romania, China and Mexico.

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