

Peugeot Citroen SA becomes official distributor of Opel vehicles

Peugeot Citroen South Africa (PCSA) recently announced that it has become the official distributor of Opel vehicles in South Africa from the 1 January 2021. PCSA, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Stellantis, currently distributes Peugeot vehicles and since October 2019 Citroen vehicles as well.



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Leslie Ramsoomar, managing director of PCSA, says: “It is a natural progression, as the three brands complement each other, each appealing to a specific customer profile. In addition, it allows our multi-brand dealers to have a single point of contact with the OEM.”

PCSA said the following in a statement:

“ We have been very clear in our approach to the Opel brand, assuring dealers and customers, that the impact to them should be minimal, with no immediate changes planned to the existing dealer network, customers can be assured that they will still have access to the same service points as they previously did. ”

The announcement of the distributorship comes with other relevant news: The introduction of the all-new sixth-generation Opel Corsa, which will be available at Opel dealerships across South Africa from mid-January this year.



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The new model will come with a three-cylinder 1.2l petrol engine, generating 55kW of power. The design of the cockpit features a driver-oriented instrument panel with a sporty personality. The controls of the interior are reportedly laid out based on the principle of functional grouping and cognitive ergonomics.

Compared to the outgoing model, the new Corsa lost up to 10% of weight, translating into a curb weight of 980kgs for this five-door model in its lightest form. It is about 10kg less than the car it replaces, even though they are roughly the same size. The new Corsa is 4.06m long, with a boot capacity of 309l, an increase in the outgoing model of 10%.

The new Corsa Edition will cost R289,900 and will be simply the first derivative launched this year, with further versions planned for the first quarter this year, the new Corsa will appeal to a broad audience. Further details will be revealed in due course.

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