

TECH TIPS



Best Practices- Brake Rotor Preparation

When replacing brake rotors it is important that they are prepared properly to maximize performance and ensure a long life.

When preparing a rotor for a brake job it is important to clean the rotor by following these steps:

- 1) Have a bucket full of warm water and dish soap
- 2) Scrub soap on both sides of the brake rotor with a brush
- 3) Rinse the rotor
- 4) Place on the vehicle

Performing these steps removes rust preventative oil/grease and metal shavings that are embedded on the surface.



A common mistake that is made is using brake cleaner to clean the rotor instead of dish soap. Brake cleaner should NOT be used because it evaporates too quickly. This causes the metal shavings to be missed and they don't all come off the surface. When the brake pad makes contact with these metal shavings it leads to material transfer issues between the brake pad and rotor.



Another important thing to keep in mind is that this procedure should only be performed on non-coated rotors. Coated rotors, such as the Raybestos RPT Rust Prevention Technology™ rotor line, are ready to go out of the box and do not need to be washed.

By taking a couple of extra minutes to properly wash the rotors you will have less comebacks and happier customers.



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