

SERVICE BULLETIN

APPLICABILITY: 2001~2003MY Subaru Vehicles
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Model/Modification Applicability)

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SUBJECT: Disc Brake Pad Modification

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this bulletin is to address unevenly or prematurely worn brake pads. There is the possibility that the pads are too tight in the caliper and have insufficient clearance as a result of rust buildup and dirt. If that is the case, the backplate of the disc brake pads will need to be slightly filed no more than 0.1mm (0.0039") on each end to remove the rust.

NOTE: THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE IS NOT APPLICABLE TO NEW BRAKE PADS.

REPAIR PROCEDURE/INFORMATION

Be extremely careful when filing the backplate of the inner and outer brake pad. Make sure that both ends are filed evenly; do not file shorter than the dimensions shown below (Figure 1 & 2). Failure to do so will create a rattle or clank noise. After filing, make sure to apply grease on both ends of the backplate where filed.

FIG. 1 - Front Brake Pad

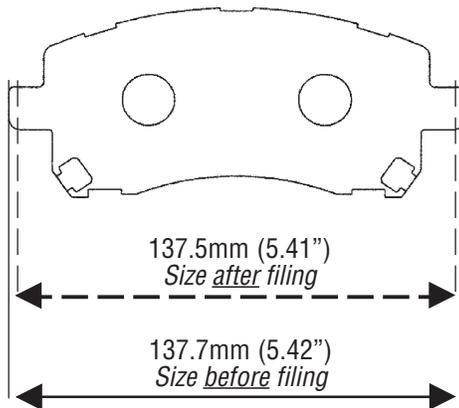
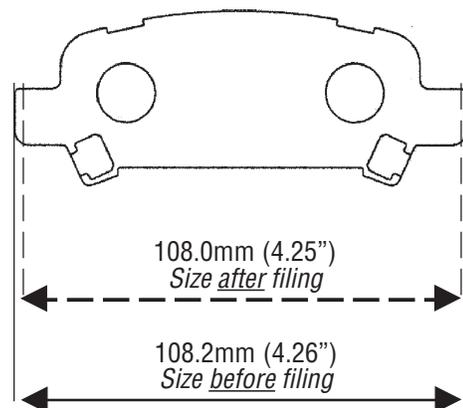


FIG. 2 - Rear Brake Pad



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CAUTION: VEHICLE SERVICING PERFORMED BY UNTRAINED PERSONS COULD RESULT IN SERIOUS INJURY TO THOSE PERSONS OR TO OTHERS.

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CLAIM REIMBURSEMENT/WARRANTY INFORMATION

For vehicles within the Basic New Car Limited Warranty period, this repair can be claimed using the following:

LABOR DESCRIPTION	OPERATION NUMBER	FAIL CODE	LABOR TIME
Brake Pad Backplates, File – Front	A 511-101	QAU-48	0.5
Brake Pad Backplates, File – Rear	A 521-101	QCC-48	0.4

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APPLICABILITY CHART

X = Model/Modification Applicability

MODEL YEAR	MODEL	TRIM LEVEL	FRONT	REAR	NOTES
2001	Legacy	L-Sedan	X	X	
		GT-Sedan	X	X	
		GT-LTD-Sedan	X	X	
		Outback-Sedan	X	X	
		L-Wagon	X	X	
		GT-Wagon	X	X	
		Outback-Wagon	X	X	
		Outback-LTD-Wagon	X	X	
		Outback-H-6-Wagon	X	X	
2001	Impreza	L-Coupe	X	--	
		RS-Coupe	X	X	
		L-Sedan	X	--	
		RS-Sedan	X	X	
		L-Wagon	X	--	
		Outback-Wagon	X	--	
2001	Forester	L-Forester	X	--	
		S-Forester	X	X	
2002	Legacy	L-Sedan	X	X	* Applicable up to VIN 2*209463 * Applicable up to VIN 2*209463 * Applicable up to VIN 2*209463 * Applicable up to VIN 2*209463
		GT-Sedan	X *	X	
		GT-LTD-Sedan	X *	X	
		Outback-LTD-Sedan	X *	X	
		Outback-H-6-Sedan	X *	X	* Applicable up to VIN 2*309463 * Applicable up to VIN 2*633636 * Applicable up to VIN 2*633636 * Applicable up to VIN 2*633636
		L-Wagon	X	X	
		GT-Wagon	X *	X	
		Outback-Wagon	X *	X	
		Outback-LTD-Wagon	X *	X	
Outback-H-6-Wagon	X *	X			
2002	Impreza	RS-Sedan	--	X	
		WRX-Sedan	X	X	
		WRX-Wagon	X	X	
2002	Forester	L-Forester	X	--	
		S-Forester	X	X	
2003	Legacy	L-Sedan	--	X	
		GT-Sedan	--	X	
		GT-LTD-Sedan	--	X	
		Outback-LTD-Sedan	--	X	
		Outback-H-6-Sedan	--	X	
		L-Wagon	--	X	
		GT-Wagon	--	X	
		Outback-Wagon	--	X	
		Outback-LTD-Wagon	--	X	
		Outback-H-6-Wagon	--	X	
		Baja	--	X	
		Baja Sport	--	X	
2003	Impreza	RS-Sedan	--	X	
		WRX-Sedan	--	X	
		TS-Wagon	--	X	
		Outback-Wagon	--	X	
		WRX-Wagon	--	X	
2003	Forester	2.5 XS	--	X	

