


Don't assume your self-adjusting brakes are being diagnosed correctly.

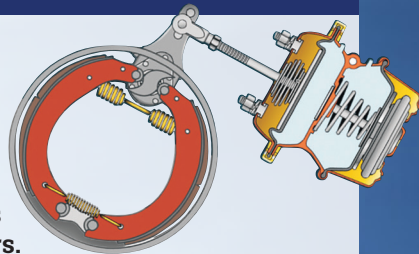
- Be sure that any technician working on your brakes is qualified and experienced with self-adjusting brakes on commercial motor vehicles.
- Make sure the technician follows an approved diagnostic testing procedure and repair process.
- The technician should be able to identify and fix the underlying cause of any problems discovered.
- When the self-adjusting brake is out of adjustment, verify that all the components are inspected and that the slack adjuster is not just temporarily repositioned.
- Check that repairs are completed correctly.

A silhouette of a technician wearing a cap and working on a truck. The technician is holding a tool, possibly a wrench or a similar instrument, and appears to be focused on the task. The background is a clear blue sky with some light clouds. The truck is a large commercial vehicle, and the technician is positioned to the right of the truck, leaning over it.

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Proper diagnosis is very important when dealing with excessive pushrod stroke on a vehicle that has self-adjusting brake adjusters, also known as automatic slack adjusters.



Simply repositioning or re-adjusting the brake does not repair the problem. Even though the brake may appear to be working properly, the brake will continue to go out of adjustment until the proper repair is made. Improper repairs can mask safety problems and may even damage the self-adjusting brake adjuster. Identifying and correcting the problem is key to keeping your vehicle safe and in compliance with vehicle safety regulations.



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