Handbrake Bedding In Procedure

1. Adjust the Parking Brake:

Adjust the parking brake shoes so that they slightly drag against the drum or rotor then back them off one click or until the resistance is gone.

2. Perform at Low-Speed:

Drive the vehicle at a low speed (about 10 mph or 16 km/h).

Apply the parking brake gently, just enough to create noticeable resistance but not lock the wheels.

Hold the brake for about 10-15 seconds. Do not come to a stop with the vehicle. Release the parking brake and allow the brakes to cool for about a minute. Repeat this process 5 times.

3. Increase Speed and Brake Force:

Increase the vehicle speed to about 20 mph (32 km/h).

Apply the parking brake with moderate force, enough to feel a strong drag but still avoid locking the wheels. Do not come to a stop with the vehicle.

Hold the brake for 10-15 seconds, then release and allow the brakes to cool for 2-3 minutes. Cooling will be greatest while vehicle is moving.

Repeat this process 5 times.

4. After the procedure:

Do not use the parking brake, allow it to cool completely which can take several hours.

5. Final Adjustments:

After the bed-in process, readjust the parking brake if necessary.

