PRECAUTIONS

- 1. Care must be taken to replace each part properly as it could affect the performance of the brake system and result in a driving hazard. Replace the parts with parts of the same part number or equivalent.
- 2. It is very important to keep parts and the area clean when repairing the brake system.

TROUBLESHOOTING

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Problem	Possible cause	Remedy	Page
Low or spongy pedal	Linings worn Brake pads worn Leak in brake system Master cylinder faulty Air in brake system Wheel cylinder faulty Brake cylinder faulty Piston seals worn or damaged Rear brake automatic adjuster faulty	Replace brake shoes Replace pads Repair leak Repair or replace master cylinder Bleed brake system Repair wheel cylinder Repair cylinder Repair brake cylinder Repair or replace adjuster	BR-40, 47 55 BR-18, 26 33 BR-10 BR-8 BR-40, 47 55 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26 33 BR-40, 47 55
Brakes drag	Parking brake out of adjustment Binding parking brake wire Booster push rod out of adjustment Tension or return spring faulty Brake line restricted Lining cracked or distorted Pad cracked or distorted Wheel cylinder or caliper piston sticking Adjuster broken Master cylinder faulty	Adjust parking brake Repair as necessary Adjust push rod Replace spring Repair as necessary Replace shoe Replace pad Repair as necessary Replace adjuster Repair or replace master cylinder	BR-9 BR-17 BR-40, 47 55 BR-40, 47 55 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26 33 BR-10
Brakes pull	Tires improperly inflated Oil or grease on shoes or pads Brake shoes distorted, linings worn or glazed Brake pads distorted, worn or glazed Drum or disc out of round	Inflate tires to proper pressure Check for cause. Replace shoes or pads Replace brake shoes Replace pads Replace drum or disc	BR-40, 47 55 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26 33,40 47, 55 BR-40, 47
	Tension or return spring faulty Wheel cylinder faulty Brake cylinder faulty Piston frozen in brake cylinder Brake pad sticking	Replace spring Repair wheel cylinder Repair cylinder Repair cylinder Repair cylinder Replace pads	55 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26 33

TROUBLESHOOTING (Cont'd)

Problem	Possible cause	Remedy	Page
Hard pedal but brakes inefficient	Oil or grease on shoes or pads Brake shoes distorted, linings worn or glazed, drums worn Brake pads distorted, worn or glazed	Check for cause. Replace shoes or pads Replace brake shoes Replace pads	BR-40, 47 55 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26
	Piston frozen in brake cylinder	Repair cylinder	33 BR-16
	Brake booster faulty Vacuum leaks Brake line restricted	Repair booster Repair as necessary Repair as necessary	
Snapping or clicking noise when brakes are applied	(Drum brake) Brake shoes binding at backing plate ledges Backing plate ledges worn	Lubricate	BR-40, 47 55 BR-40, 47
	Loose or missing shoe hold–down spring	Replace and lubricate ledges Replace shoe hold–down spring	55 BR-40, 47 55 BR-40, 47 55
	Loose set bolt at backing plate	Tighten	
	(Disc brake) Loose or missing pad support plate	Replace pad support plate	BR-18, 26 33
	Loose installation bolt	Tighten	BR-18, 26 33
Scraping or grinding noise when brakes are applied	Worn brake linings or pads	Replace or refinish drums or rotors if heavily scored	BR-18, 26 33,40 47, 55
	Caliper to wheel or rotor interference	Replace as required	BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26
	Dust cover to rotor or backing plate to drum interference	Correct or replace	33,40 47, 55
	Other brake system components faulty Tires rubbing against chassis and/or body	Repair or replace as necessary Repair as necessary	

TROUBLESHOOTING (Cont'd)

Problem	Possible cause	Remedy	Page
Squeaking, squealing groaning or chattering noise when brakes are applied HINT: Brake friction	Brake drums and linings, rotors and pads worn or scored Dirty, greased, contaminated or glazed linings or pads Improper linings or pads using Maladjustment of brake pedal or booster push rod	Inspect, repair or replace Clean or replace	BR-18, 26 33,40 47, 55 BR-18, 26 33,40 47, 55
materials inherently generate noise and heat in order to dissipate energy. As a result, occasional squeal is normal and is aggravated by	(Disc brake) Missing or damaged brake pad anti–squeal shim Pad wear and pad wear indicator making contact with the rotor Burred or rusted calipers (Drum brake)	Inspect for correct usage or replace Inspect and adjust	BR-6, 17
severe environmental conditions such as cold, heat, wetness, snow, salt, mud, etc. This occasional squeal is not a functional problem and does not indicate any loss of brake effectiveness	Weak damaged or incorrect shoe hold—down springs, loose or damaged shoe hold—down spring pins and springs and grooved backing plate ledges	Replace Replace Clean or deburr	BR-1 8, 26 33 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26
		Inspect, repair or replace	33 BR-40, 47 55
Squealing and squeaking noise when brakes are not applied	Mal-adjustment of brake pedal or booster push rod Poor return of brake booster or master cylinder or brake cylinder	Inspect and adjust Inspect, repair or replace	BR-6, 17 BR-10, 16 18,26 33,40 47, 55
	(Disc brake) Rusted or stuck piston Improper positioning of pad in caliper Rotor rubbing against caliper housing Improper installation of disc brake pad support plate Pad wear and pad wear indicator making contact with the rotor (Drum brake)	Inspect and lubricate as necessary Reinstall correctly Inspect and replace Reinstall correctly Replace	BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 2 33
	Weak, damaged or incorrect shoe hold-down springs Grooved backing plate ledges Bent or warped backing plate causing interference with drum Improper machining of drum causing interference with backing plate or shoe Other brake system components: Loose or extra parts in brakes Rear drum adjustment too tight	Replace Repair or replace Repair or replace Replace drum Inspect, repair or replace as necessary	BR-18, 26 33 BR-40, 47 55 BR-40, 47 55 BR-40, 47
	causing lining to glaze Worn, damaged or insufficiently lubricated wheel bearings		55 BR-40, 47 55 BR-40, 47 55

TROUBLESHOOTING (Cont'd)

Problem	Possible cause	Remedy	Page
Groaning, clicking or rattling noise when brakes are not applied	Stones or foreign material trapped inside wheel covers Loose wheel nuts	Remove foreign material Tighten to correct torque Replace if stud holes are elongated Inspect and adjust	
	Mal-adjustment of brake pedal or booster push rod Worn, damaged or dry wheel bearings (Disc brake) Loose or missing anti-rattle spring or pad support plate or crimping on outer pad Failure of shim	Inspect and lubricate or replace Inspect, repair or replace	BR-18, 26
		Inspect, replace if necessary	33 BR-18, 26 33 BR-18, 26
	Wear on slide bushing	Inspect, replace if necessary	33 BR-18, 26
	Loose installation bolt	Inspect, tighten if necessary	33
	Poor return of piston	Inspect, repair or replace	BR-18, 26 33
	(Drum brake) Loose or extra parts	Inspect and repair	BR-40, 47 55