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BEDDING DOWN FOR WINTER

Winter is coming, bringing with it conditions that accelerate brake pad wear.

With the prospect of increased brake pad sales in the coming months, we're going to take a closer look at the best practice for bedding-in new Aztec disc brake pads, ensuring you and your customers have a reliable, high performance braking experience.

The bedding in process is essential and aims to create conditions which encourage the most possible friction between the Brake Pad and Rotor in normal use. What we're trying to avoid is a condition known as "glazing" which occurs when the brake pads are heated to the point where the material within them hardens and the surface of the pad smooths. Once glazed, the surface of the pad can no longer create adequate friction against the rotor and needs to be replaced.

New brake pads are more susceptible to overheating and therefore glazing, so it is really important to follow the three simple steps below for the best experience.

The correct method for bedding in Aztec disc brake pads in 3 simple steps:

Step One

The most important step. Before fitting new brake pads, check the calliper for leaking brake fluid and clean both the calliper and rotor thoroughly with brake cleaner. Oil or dirt on the braking surfaces will cause new pads to glaze instantly.

Step Two

Once the pads are fitted take the bike to a safe, open, flat area where there is enough space to speed up to around 24kmph.

Step Three

Once up to speed, gently apply the brakes, slowing but not coming to a complete stop. Repeat this process 30 to 50 times without applying full force to the lever or coming to a complete stop.

It is important to remember that during this process stopping power will be reduced, so make sure you have adequate room to slow down and avoid any obstacles in you path.

Following this simple process you'll heat the pads gently, protecting them against glazing. By avoiding coming to a complete stop during the bedding-in process an even amount of brake pad material will be applied to the brake rotor, increasing friction and resulting in smooth, powerful braking performance.

We recommend that all Aztec Disc Brake Pads should go through the bedding in process as advised above. Please pass on this advice to any home mechanics who purchase Aztec Disc Brake Pads.

This guide is available to view on the MadisonB2B and Freewheel websites.