

Dorman HW7322

Dorman HW7322 Rear Parking Brake Hardware Kit

User Manual

Brand: **Dorman** | Model: **HW7322**

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Dorman HW7322 Rear Parking Brake Hardware Kit is engineered to provide a direct replacement for the original hardware components required to repair the parking brake system on specific vehicle models. This kit is manufactured with quality materials to ensure reliable performance and extended durability, addressing common issues such as fatigue and wear in existing components.

- **Direct Replacement:** Designed to match original equipment for seamless repair.
- **Ideal Solution:** A reliable replacement for components that have failed due to fatigue.
- **Durable Construction:** Made from quality components for reliable performance and long service life.
- **Trustworthy Quality:** Backed by a team of product experts with over a century of automotive experience.
- **Vehicle Fitment:** Always confirm compatibility with your specific vehicle's make, model, and trim level using appropriate fitment tools before installation.

2. INSTALLATION (SETUP)

This hardware kit is intended for professional installation or by individuals with appropriate automotive repair experience. Refer to your vehicle's specific service manual for detailed instructions regarding the removal of old components and the installation of new parking brake hardware. Proper installation is crucial for the safe and effective operation of your vehicle's parking brake system.



Image 1: Components of the Dorman HW7322 Rear Parking Brake Hardware Kit. This kit includes various springs, clips, and adjusters necessary for the proper function of the parking brake within the drum brake assembly.

2.1. Kit Contents

The Dorman HW7322 kit typically includes the following components:

- Springs
- Clips
- Adjusters
- Pins
- Bolts
- Nuts

Note: The exact components may vary slightly based on the specific vehicle application. Always compare the kit contents with the components being replaced.

2.2. General Installation Steps (Consult Vehicle Manual)

1. Safely lift and support the vehicle. Remove the wheel and brake drum.
2. Carefully remove the old parking brake hardware, noting the position and orientation of each component.
3. Clean the brake backing plate and inspect other brake components for wear or damage.
4. Install the new Dorman HW7322 hardware components according to the vehicle manufacturer's specifications. Ensure all springs, clips, and adjusters are correctly seated.
5. Reinstall the brake drum and wheel.
6. Adjust the parking brake cable tension as required by the vehicle manufacturer.
7. Test the parking brake function before driving the vehicle.

3. OPERATION

Once correctly installed, the Dorman HW7322 Rear Parking Brake Hardware Kit restores the intended functionality of your vehicle's parking brake system. The parking brake, also known as the emergency brake or handbrake, is designed to hold the vehicle stationary when parked, especially on inclines, and can serve as a backup braking system in an emergency.

To engage the parking brake, follow your vehicle manufacturer's instructions, typically by pulling a lever or

pressing a pedal. To disengage, release the lever or pedal. Ensure the parking brake is fully disengaged before driving to prevent premature wear and damage to the brake components.

4. MAINTENANCE

Regular inspection and maintenance of your vehicle's braking system, including the parking brake hardware, are essential for safety and longevity. While the Dorman HW7322 kit is built for durability, its performance is part of a larger system.

- **Periodic Inspection:** Have your parking brake system inspected during routine vehicle maintenance, typically every 12,000 to 15,000 miles or as recommended by your vehicle manufacturer.
- **Check for Wear:** Look for signs of corrosion, stretching of springs, or damage to clips and adjusters.
- **Lubrication:** Ensure moving parts are adequately lubricated with appropriate high-temperature grease during assembly and subsequent inspections.
- **Cable Adjustment:** Periodically check and adjust the parking brake cable tension to ensure proper engagement and release.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you experience issues with your parking brake after installing the Dorman HW7322 kit, consider the following common troubleshooting points. Always consult a qualified mechanic for diagnosis and repair if you are unsure.

Symptom	Possible Cause	Action
Parking brake does not hold vehicle.	Improper cable adjustment. Worn brake shoes/pads. Incorrect hardware installation.	Adjust parking brake cable. Inspect and replace brake shoes/pads if necessary. Re-inspect hardware installation for correct placement.
Parking brake is difficult to engage/disengage.	Cable binding or corrosion. Lack of lubrication on hardware. Incorrect hardware installation.	Inspect parking brake cable. Lubricate moving hardware components. Verify correct hardware installation.
Noise from rear brakes when parking brake is applied.	Loose or improperly seated hardware. Worn brake shoes.	Re-inspect hardware installation. Inspect and replace brake shoes if necessary.

Warning: Issues with braking systems can compromise vehicle safety. If troubleshooting does not resolve the problem, seek professional automotive service immediately.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

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Model	HW7322: Parking Brake Hardware Kit
Part Number	HW7322
Orientation	Rear
Item Weight	6.4 ounces
Product Dimensions	1.5 x 3 x 7 inches
Country of Origin	China
Assembly Required	No (assembly of kit components into vehicle required)
OEM Part Numbers (Cross-reference)	118.66004; F141660; F142718; H141660; H142718; H7256; H7258; H7322; H7339; H7340; H7452
UPC	082702424629

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Dorman products are designed for reliable performance and durability. While specific warranty details are not provided in this manual, Dorman stands behind its products with over a century of automotive experience and a dedicated team of product experts.

For technical assistance, product inquiries, or warranty information, please contact Dorman customer support or visit their official website. Always provide the model number (HW7322) and any relevant vehicle information when seeking support.

You can find more information and contact details by visiting the official Dorman store: [Dorman Official Store on Amazon](#)

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