

Copper-Free Brake Initiative

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Supporting Our California and Washington Customers to meet the EPA's Copper-Free Brake Initiative.

WHAT:

The copper-free brake initiative was established in 2015 by the EPA and brake industry to reduce copper and other elements harmful to the ecosystem in Washington and California.

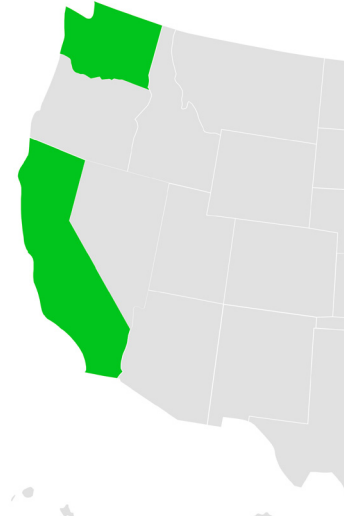
WHY:

In 2010, Washington and California enacted legislation requiring brake manufacturers to phase out copper and other harmful elements and restricting the sale of these products over time.

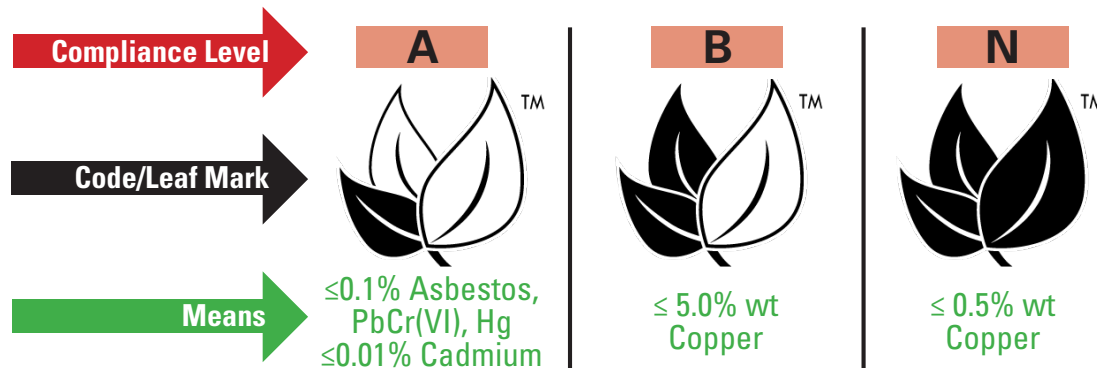
In 2015, the EPA and brake industry defined compliance deadlines and sell-through dates.

HOW TO IDENTIFY:

Certified products will include packaging with the Leaf Mark logo and Environmental Edge Coding on the product.



PACKAGING EXAMPLE:



The 'Leaf Mark' was developed to identify certified compliant brake products.

Brake manufacturers are required by law to identify and register brake friction products.

Only certified brake products can use the 'Leaf Mark' logo on packaging.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDGE CODE EXAMPLE:

All certified pads and linings have a three-digit compliance code. First digit indicates environmental compliance level. Second and third digits call out the manufactured year.



Information was sourced by California Senate Bill 346 and Washington's Better Brakes Rule Chapter 173-901 WAC

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IMPLICATIONS:

Manufacturers, distributors, retailers, and installers are held liable by the WA Department of Ecology and CA Department of Toxic Substance Control.

Regulators reserve the right to **confiscate** non-compliant friction materials **from end-users**.

Compliance Matrix for California and Washington Customers to meet the EPA's Copper-Free Brake Initiative.

Vehicle Model Year	Can Use
2020 or Earlier	A, B, N
2024 or Earlier	B, N
2025 or Later	N

Level A Pads may only be used on 2020 or earlier vehicles, if the pads were manufactured on or before 12/31/2020.

Effective January 1st, 2025, **Level B Pads** may continue to be installed on 2024 or earlier vehicles, if the pads were manufactured on or before 12/31/2024.

Level N Pads can be used on any and all model year vehicles.

Brake System Application	Non Compliant	Level B	Level N
SN7 / SB7	6447341	6484840	7701223
	6412344	6484872	6502548
	6443252		
EX225	633-7611		7701224
ADB22X		04-04-1109PR	7701225
			7700156

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