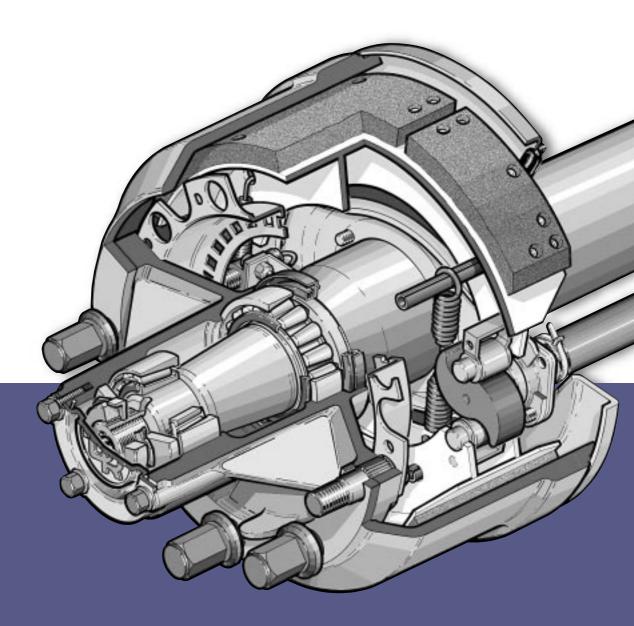


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# Meritor Axle & Brake Service Manual TE Series Axle





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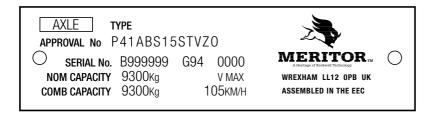


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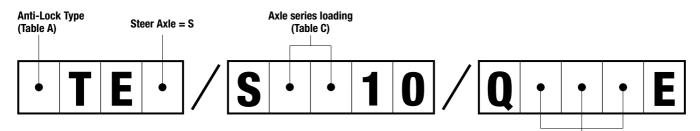
# **The Axle Identification Plate**

Every axle leaving the ROR factory is fitted with an identification plate which contains all the information needed to ensure the correct replacement parts are obtained.



# Identifying the Axle Type

All TE series axles are fitted with 10 stud, ISO 4107 spigot mount wheel fixings and asbestos free Ø 420 x 180mm brakes as standard. Other options are as shown below.



Type of wheel bolts (Table B)

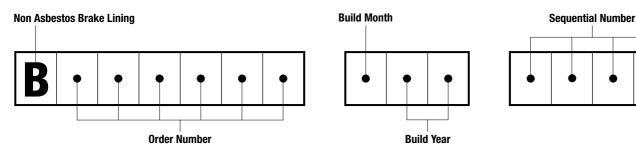
#### Table 'A'

Axle Letter Code	Exciter Ring Type	Suitable For
A	60t Pressed Steel	Grau MGX2 & MGX2E Bendix MD2 & MD2A
W	100t Solid Ring	Wabco Bosch Grau DGX & MGX100

#### Table 'B'

Axle Letter Code	ISO 4107 Wheel Mounting Type
MX	M22 x 1.5p wheel studs for single steel wheels
MXA	M22 x 1.5p wheel studs for single alloy wheels

# **Identifying the Serial Number**



#### Table 'C'

Axle Series	Nominal Highway Rating, Kg	Wall Thickness	Max Offset*
90	9300	13mm	460mm
93**	9300	16mm	490mm

The axle ratings shown are for normal highway applications and any special application for installation must be approved by Meritor Design Engineering.

\* NB: Offset = 
$$\frac{\text{Track} - \text{spring centres}}{2}$$

\*\* For use with non Meritor air suspensions

# Introduction to the TE9000 & TE9300 Series Axles

The TE9000 & TE9300 series axles are manufactured to the same high standards as the well established TM series axles. In fact, much of the materials and manufacturing processes are common to both axle series. The TE series axle has been designed with low weight and low cost of ownership in mind, and is intended for use in predominantly tri-axle applications, running on super single tyres at combined bogie weights up to 27 tonne. Among many new features incorporated in the TE series axle, two in particular stand out as conferring valuable benefits in service. Firstly, the axles are manufactured with pre-set bearing clearances and require no adjustment. The correct running clearances are obtained by the careful control of manufacturing tolerances and matched bearings. Secondly, the brake drum is outboard mounted and a full brake service can be performed without removing the hub.

### **Axle Installation**

The following notes and recommendations are offered as a guide to the trailer manufacturer and service engineer. They are based on experience gained from both the manufacture and servicing of single and multiple axle installations.

### LIMITATIONS OF USE

The following limitations apply to the TE series axles fitted with super single tyres and used in tandem or tri-axle arrangements.

For normal road and RO–RO use at 9 tonne axle weight the TE9000 (13mm wall) beam is authorised for Meritor air and mechanical suspensions only when assembled by Meritor. In all other instances of normal road, RO–RO, and unrestricted tipper use at 9 tonne axle weight using non-Meritor suspensions, air or mechanical, the TE9300 (16mm wall) beam must be used.

For extreme conditions, i.e. narrow frame centres (<1100mm), high centre of gravity (>2000mm) please consult Meritor Applications Engineering.

In cases where suspensions of non-Meritor manufacture are used, the trailer builder or suspension manufacturer must satisfy themselves as to the suitability and compatibility of the axle and suspension, particularly from a durability standpoint. Meritor will be pleased to assist in assessing such compatibility, but cannot warrant the fitment of its axles to suspensions of unknown characteristics.

### STRESSES AND WELDING

During use the axle beam is subjected to a wide variety of forces. These are caused by the payload, bumps in the road surface, cornering and braking. Because these forces are constantly varying, the stresses in the axle beam also vary, causing fatigue. The top and bottom of the beam generally experience the greatest stresses and hence the most fatigue, whilst the section of beam around the horizontal centre line sees the least stress and fatigue.

Welds in the high stress areas will adversely affect the fatigue strength, for this reason do not weld in the area 95mm wide top and bottom of the beam, or 50° either side of the vertical centre line, as shown in the diagram below. Weld tacks or weld spatter are not allowed in this area.

The beam material is controlled to ensure that pre-heating is normally not necessary when welding as per BS5135.

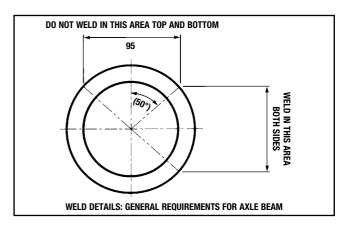
The direction of welding should be as near the horizontal as possible and welding around the corners of brackets or spring seats should be avoided. Separate drawings exist on request from the Meritor Technical Sales Department detailing seat welding procedures for both air and mechanical Meritor suspensions.

The effects of welding will be minimised if:

- (a) all tack welds are at least 25mm long.
- (b) the number of tack welds is kept to a minimum. If possible clamp the bracket tightly to the beam and eliminate the tack welds.
- (c) the welding procedure recommended in the Meritor suspension manual is followed.
- (d) more than one weld run is required make the following run with a different start/finish point and before the previous run has cooled down. Descale between runs.
- (e) oil, rust and thick deposits of paint are removed from the surfaces to be joined.
- (f) the welding consumables meet the relevant British Standards and are used as recommended by the manufacturer.
- (g) at the end of fillet welds, the weld is 'backed up' to fill the crater.

The following precautions will prevent damage to the axle and suspension during welding and improve service life:

- (a) prevent weld spatter from falling on the axle and road springs.
- (b) ensure the earth connection is made to the axle beam, preventing the passage of current through the wheel bearings.
- (c) do not test the arc on the axle beam or springs.
- (d) remove scale and slag from fillet welds before painting to prevent corrosion.



# **Maintenance Schedule**

For suspension service intervals and maintenance procedures refer to the relevant suspension manual.

according to duty and experience. However, the following are minimum requirements.

#### 160 km

Torque check all wheel nuts.

### 1600 km

Torque check all wheel nuts.

#### **3 MONTHLY**

Torque check all wheel nuts. Check brake adjustment. Check hub oil level. (Oil filled axles only). Lubricate camshaft spherical bearings.

#### ANNUALLY

In addition to the 3 monthly inspection, a major brake overhaul is advised along with a hub/bearing assembly grease examination as described in SECTION 1.

#### **BIENNIALLY OR 300,000 km**

In addition to the annual inspection a hub/bearing assembly grease change is required with careful examination of the bearings and journals also described in SECTION 1.

### **TORQUE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Hub cap bolts (grease and oil)  11/15 Nm    Dust cover bolts  50/60 Nm    Spherical bearing bolts (spline end)  50/60 Nm    Spherical bearing bolts (cam head end)  50/60 Nm    Sensor fixing bolts (GRAU)  8/11 Nm    Sensor fixing bolts (WABCO)  25/30 Nm    Axle end nut  150/175 Nm    Brake drum retaining bolts  50/60 Nm	
Wheelnut ISO M22 x 1.5 (steel and alloy wheels) 680/750 Nm	

### **RECOMMENDED LUBRICANTS**

Brake components and camshaft bearings:

Hub Bearings: Total Multis EP2 Shell Calithia EP2T Texaco Multifak EP2 BP LS EP2 Silkolene G62 Eurol Universalfett EP2 Elf Lithium EP2

Shell Alvania Grease EP(LF)2 **Castrol Spheerol EPL2** Mobil Mobilux EP2 Fina Marson EPL2 SKF LGEP2 GB Lithium EP2

Specific service intervals must be determined by each fleet operator

#### **BEFORE ENTERING SERVICE**

Check brake adjustment. Torque check all wheel nuts.

Total Extemp

### **HUB & BEARING GREASE FILL VOLUMES**

Hub Cavity Fill
Hub Cap Fill

### **SECTION 1**

# **Service Procedures**

# Axle annual service and service after 3 years or 300,000 Km

The following step by step instruction details the essential operations required for these services. The 3 year service is in effect the same as the annual service with additional work on the hub and bearing assembly. Details of these additional procedures can be found in the next section of this manual.

#### Summary:

- 1. De-adjust Brake
- 2. Remove Wheel, Hub and Drum Assembly
- 3. Remove Brake Shoes
- 4. Remove Anchor Pins
- 5. Clean Anchor Pin Bushes, Anchor Bracket and Cam Head
- 6. Clean Spindle
- 7. Remove Cam Rollers from Brake Shoes
- 8. Clean Cam Rollers and Anchor Pins
- 9. Assemble Anchor Pins
- 10. Inspect Brake Linings
- 11. Clean and Assemble Brake Shoes
- 12. Inspect Brake Springs
- 13. Inspection of Camshafts and Camshaft Bearings for Play
- 14. Removal of Camshafts and Camshaft Bearings
- 15. Replacement of Camshafts and Camshaft Bearings
- 16. Refit Brake Shoes
- 17. Grease Camshaft Bearings
- 18. Inspect Brake Drums
- 19. Remove Oil Seal
- 20. Wheel Bearing Inspection and Greasing 20a. Routine Annual Hub Service 20b. 3 Year Major Hub Service
- 21. Apply Anti-fretting Paste to Spindle
- 22. Refit Hub, Drum and Wheel Assembly
- 23. Lubricate Brake Chamber Clevis Pin Assembly
- 24. Adjust Brakes

To carry out the above procedures in detail continue as follows:

### **1. DE-ADJUST BRAKE**

Using the manual adjustment nut on the slack adjuster fully de-adjust the brake.

# 2. REMOVE WHEEL, HUB AND DRUM ASSEMBLY

Remove hub cap (fig. 1). Remove hub cap seal. (Note: If this is an '0' ring discard it.) Straighten locking tab on tab washer using hammer and chisel (fig. 2). Remove axle end nut (55mm A/F), and tab washer (fig. 3).

Install wheel dolly.

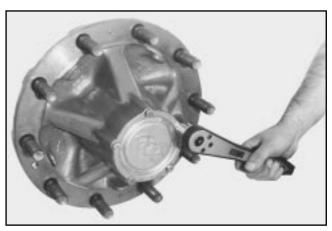


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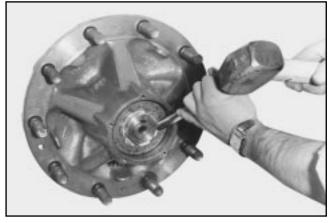


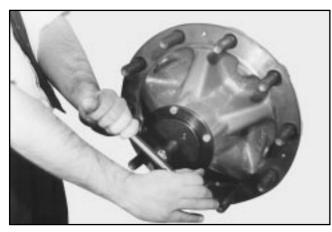
FIG. 2



FIG. 3

Install hub puller (Meritor part no. 21221512) and dismount hub, drum and wheel assembly (fig. 4).

Remove hub, drum and wheel assembly and plug the inner bearing bore with a clean cloth.





### **3. REMOVE BRAKE SHOES**

IMPORTANT: If the brake linings do not need to be replaced, mark the brake shoes before removing them to ensure that they will be reassembled to the same brake in the same position.

Release retainer springs using screwdriver or similar tool (fig. 5).

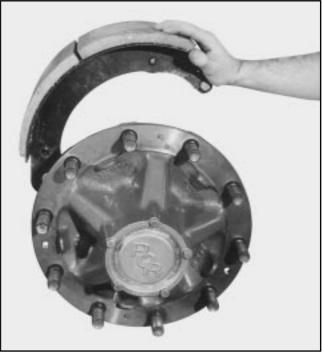
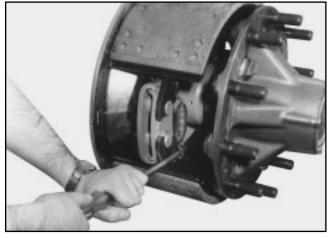


FIG. 6



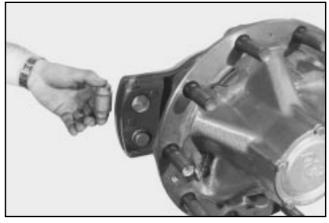
Remove anchor pins from anchor bracket (fig. 7).





Free lower brake shoe from anchor pins, lower this end of brake shoe and bring up to side of brake (fig. 6).

Free top brake shoe from anchor pins and lift both brake shoes connected by the brake return spring off the anchor bracket.





This should normally be possible without the use of tools, however, on occasion after an excessively long period between services these components may be seized, in this case use a suitable drift and hammer to knock them out.

Remove '0' rings from anchor pins.

### 5. CLEAN ANCHOR PIN BUSHES, ANCHOR BRACKET AND CAM HEAD

Using a wire brush, clean each side of the anchor bracket in the area of anchor pins, clean the bore of the anchor pin bushes, if necessary using emery cloth.

Clean working surfaces of cam head using strip of coarse emery cloth.

Apply a small amount of grease to the bores of the anchor pin bushes and smear a thin coating of grease on both sides of the anchor bracket around the anchor pin bushes.

If the axle is fitted with anti-lock sensors, clean exposed sensor with a cloth and push sensor from rear until it protrudes fully forwards.

### **6. CLEAN SPINDLE**

Check the spindle for damage and remove any fretting/rust on the bearing journals with medium emery cloth strip.

Clean down the oil seal mounting wiping brake dust and rust away from the area immediately behind the seal journal.

Check the oil seal mounting for damage.

Check the spindle thread for damage by fitting the end nut by hand. Provided thread damage is not severe it can be repaired using a 2mm pitch thread file or M36 x 2 die nut (Meritor part no. 21224408). (Note: The thread is not accessible for repair once the hub is mounted.)

# 7. REMOVE CAM ROLLERS FROM BRAKE SHOES

It is preferable to always renew the cam roller retainer clips when the cam rollers are removed from the brake shoes.

If new cam roller retainer clips are to be used simply prise rollers out of shoes using a strong screwdriver, remove the clips from the cam rollers and discard them (fig. 8).





However, with care it is possible to reuse the cam roller retainer clips, insert a screwdriver into the hole in brake gusset and carefully press the retaining tab of the cam clip whilst gently pulling the roller, keeping the pressure on the cam roller turn the brake shoe over and repeat on the other side, the cam roller and clip will pull out from shoe. Remove the clips from the cam rollers and inspect for damage to the retaining tabs, if they have cracked, broken off or failed to spring out the clip it must be replaced.

### 8. CLEAN CAM ROLLERS AND ANCHOR PINS

The working surfaces of the cam rollers and the anchor pins should be cleaned to remove any build up of compressed debris adhered to the working surfaces. In our experience the quickest and easiest way to do this is to use the wire wheel fitted to one end of a pedestal grinder, available in most workshops.

#### 9. ASSEMBLE ANCHOR PINS

Assemble one '0' ring to anchor pin and apply grease to anchor pin, install in the anchor bush from the rear pushing pin through sufficiently to fit the second '0' ring, then push back to central position. Repeat for other anchor pin.

#### **10. INSPECT BRAKE LININGS**

Do not disturb the brake lining surface if this shows a normal working surface.

Take care not to contaminate the surface of the brake linings with grease etc.

Clean out compressed debris from rivet holes with screwdriver to avoid possibility of damage to brake drum.

If carrying out the service in winter months and the brake linings are soaked with water it may be necessary to dry these by careful application of heat to evaporate the water.

Brake lining surface may be carefully linished by hand using coarse emery cloth if contaminated by dirt, mud etc., but do not use any form of power tool.

### **11. CLEAN AND ASSEMBLE BRAKE SHOES**

Clean any corrosion from both anchor pin and cam roller pivot areas on brake shoes using emery cloth and a screwdriver.

Apply specified grease to pivots areas on the brake shoes.

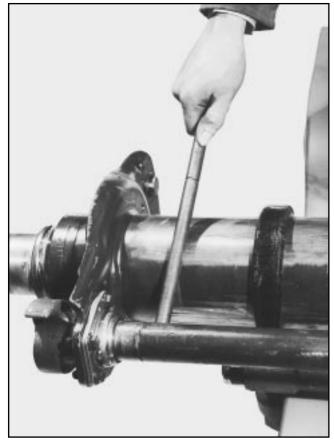
Apply specified grease to cam rollers, reassemble cam clips onto rollers and refit cam rollers into shoes making sure retainer tabs locate in the holes in the brake shoe gussets. Wipe excess grease from surface of cam roller that contacts the cam head and make sure cam roller is free to rotate in the brake shoe.

### **12. INSPECT BRAKE SPRINGS**

Check the brake springs for damage, any spring showing signs of coil separation should be replaced.

# **13. INSPECTION OF CAMSHAFTS AND CAMSHAFT BEARINGS FOR PLAY**

Place a lever between the camshaft and axle beam close to the cam head bearing and lever up and down to detect free play (fig. 9). This should not be more than  $\pm 0.5$ mm at the bush (the amount at the lever will depend on the lever length so discretion and judgement is required).





Similarly place the lever between the axle and cam shaft close to the spline end bearing and lever up and down checking for similar play as the cam head bearing.

If the play is excessive this suggests wear is present in the bearings or the camshaft journals and both should be replaced as necessary.

# 14. REMOVAL OF CAMSHAFTS AND CAMSHAFT BEARINGS

Remove the clevis pin connecting the slack adjuster to the brake chamber and rotate the slack adjuster out of the clevis by turning the adjusting nut. Unfasten the circlip locating the slack adjuster. Slide the packing washers, rubber boot and slack adjuster off the camshaft. The camshaft can be removed along with the bearings with the hub assembly in place using the key hole slot in the anchor bracket to allow the cam head to pass through it. To proceed in this manner, unfasten the M10 retaining screws securing the head and spline end bearings to the brackets (figs 11 and 12). Guiding the head pull the cam head backwards through the slot and pull the camshaft and bearings away from the axle (fig. 13).

Unfasten the tie wraps securing the rubber boots.

Slide the spline end bearing and rubber boots off the camshaft and tap the head end bearing along the body of the camshaft. Note it can be difficult to remove the cam head bearing over the paint on the camshaft so some paint may need to be removed using a wire brush.

An alternative method of removal when the hub assembly is not fitted is to tap the camshaft through the bearings, first releasing the tie wraps securing the rubber boots, striking the spline end hard with a soft mallet initially to release the spring clip (fig. 10). The camshaft can then be fully removed from the axle by pulling outwards. Once the camshaft is removed the bearings can be removed from the axle by unfastening the 4 x M10 screws (figs 11 and 12) from each bearing.

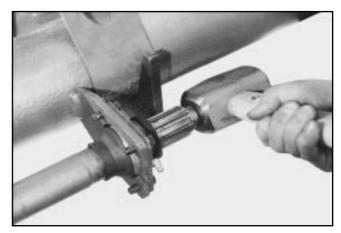


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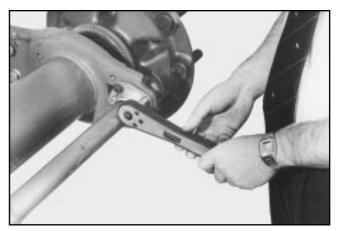


FIG. 11



FIG. 12



FIG. 13

# 15. REPLACEMENT OF THE CAMSHAFTS AND CAMSHAFT BEARINGS

If the camshaft was removed with the hub in place proceed as follows: Apply a coating of grease onto the cam head journal and slide the cam head bearing onto the camshaft and up to the cam head until the spring clip is ready to snap into position (resistance will be felt).

Slide the inner rubber boots and the spline end bearing onto the camshaft. Clean any debris off the locating faces on the anchor and cam brackets and apply a coating of grease onto the spline end camshaft journal. Position the cam head through the anchor bracket key hole slot and slide the spline end bearing through the cam bracket slot. Fasten the bushes in position using the original M10 screws. If there is any sign of thread damage or rust replace the screws with new ones. Do not fully tighten them at this stage. If the hub has been removed from the axle, clean any debris from the locating faces on the anchor and cam brackets and fasten both bearings in place with the M10 screws. Do not fully tighten at this stage. Pass the camshaft through the head bearing and slide the rubber boots onto the camshaft. Push the spline end through the spline end bearing. A hard tap on the cam head end will be required to locate the spring clip into the camshaft groove.

With the camshaft in position but both bearings not fully tightened, refit the rubber boot slack adjuster packing washers and retaining washer securing with the circlip. DO NOT TIGHTEN BEARING SECURING SCREWS UNTIL BRAKE SHOES ARE FITTED.

### **16. REFIT BRAKE SHOES**

If the old linings are to be reused, ensure each shoe is returned to its original position as marked prior to removal.

**Either** stand both brake shoes on their sides with the cam rollers together and fit the return spring between the roll pins of both brake shoes.

Lift the top brake shoe, the lower shoe will automatically be picked up also.

Place the cam roller of the top shoe in the dwell of the cam head and locate the "D" slots onto the shoulders of the top anchor pin.

**Or** fit return spring to the roll pin of the top shoe and position the cam roller of the top shoe onto the dwell of the cam head and the "D" slots onto the shoulders of the top anchor pin. Lift the bottom shoe and connect the free end of the return spring to the roll pin.

**Then** tip the lower brake shoe until the cam roller locates in the lower dwell of the cam head, twist the brake shoe towards its fitted position making sure that the cam roller locates in the dwell of the cam, and locate the "D" slots onto the shoulders of the lower anchor pin. Refit retainer springs, a suitable tool can be made by slotting the blade of a screwdriver.

Ensure brake shoes are sitting correctly on cam head, if necessary correct by aligning the brake shoes at cam roller end.

During the above assembly it is important not to contaminate the surface of the brake linings with grease, remove any slight contamination by wiping with clean absorbent paper.

With the shoes fitted apply the brake by pulling on the slack adjuster several times then in the off position tighten the cam and spline cam bearing securing screws to the specified torque.

### **17. GREASE CAMSHAFT BEARINGS**

Grease camshaft bearings using grease gun (fig. 14), it is possible to see the grease extrude from the side plates of the camshaft head bearings with the hub and drum removed. Ensure the correct specification of grease is used.

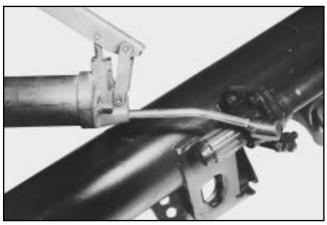


FIG. 14

### **18. INSPECT BRAKE DRUMS**

Clean excess brake dust from brake drum and inspect brake drum bore for surface corrosion, damage and excessive wear.

Remove light corrosion by using coarse emery cloth at an angle of 45 degrees in one direction and then 45 degrees in the other direction to produce a cross hatch effect, do not use any form of power tool.

If the drum bore shows signs of heat crazing it usually can be reused but if the heat crazing is severe the drum should be replaced.

It is permissible to machine out the brake drum to a maximum of  $\emptyset$ 423mm. Oversize cam rollers must be fitted if this is done (21006610A).

### **19. REMOVE OIL SEAL**

If the oil seal is still within the hub remove it with a work shop pri-bar and discard it (fig. 15). Take care not to contaminate the inner bearing and hub cavity.

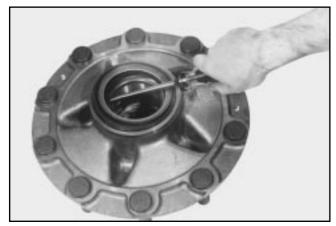


FIG. 15

If the oil seal has remained on the spindle journal lever it off taking great care not to damage the spindle. Clean the area around the oil seal journal as detailed in paragraph 6. Discard the oil seal.

Never reuse an oil seal after the hub has been dismounted from the spindle.

# 20. WHEEL BEARING INSPECTION AND GREASING

Step 20a describes the routine inspection and service.

Step 20b should be carried out every 300,000 km, or every 3 years or if the grease appears dirty, contaminated or burnt, or if no cavity fill is present.

Refer to grease type and fill volumes specified on page 6.

### 20a. ROUTINE ANNUAL HUB SERVICE

#### **INNER BEARING:**

If the grease within the hub is clean and does not appear or smell burnt there should be no requirement to totally clean down the assembly and re-grease the bearings.

Care must be taken not to contaminate the lubricant during the inspection.

Check the hub cavity and inner bearing for contamination caused when the hub was dismounted from the spindle. Contamination must be removed and if necessary a total clean down and re-lubrication as described in step 20b must be performed.

Remove the inner bearing cone (fig. 16) and check the condition of the grease.



FIG. 16

Inspect the rollers, bearing cage and raceway for damage and debris.

Re-grease the inner bearing to supplement the grease lost during the removal of the oil seal. Be certain to work the grease deep into the cage and rollers.

Check the raceway for any damage before the inner bearing cone is replaced.

Press the inner bearing fully home into the cup as this helps the location of the oil seal driver.

Fit the oil seal onto the driver (Meritor Part No. 21221510), note that the oil seal cannot be fitted successfully without the correct driving tool.

Make sure the 'oil side' is facing away from the face of the driver with the outer face of the seal fully seated. Failure to seat the seal in this way can cause the seal to be fitted skew.

Locate the nose of the driver into the inner bearing cone and drive the seal home (fig. 18). Check that the outer most rubber edge of the seal is flush with the face of the hub all round.

#### **OUTER BEARING:**

Remove the retaining clip, washer and outer bearing cone (fig. 17). Similar to the inner bearing, check the condition replacing any grease lost by working grease deep into the bearings rollers and cage.

Check the raceway for damage and the hub cavity fill before replacing the outer bearing.

Fit the retaining washer and clip to hold the cone in place ready for remounting the hub.



FIG. 17

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Remove the retaining clip, washer, inner and outer bearing cones (figs 17 and 18) and clean off all grease to inspect the bearings. Do not use water, steam or air jets to clean the bearings.

Wipe clean the hub cavity removing all the old grease and any debris. All surfaces must be totally clean.



FIG. 18

Look carefully for:-

Cage damage Corrosion on the raceways/rollers Metallic debris Pitting Metallic flakes Damage to rollers/raceways

Bearings must be replaced if there are any of the above defects. Small defects will propagate and lead to bearing failure.

If there are any discoloured bands on the rollers and raceways inspect the bearing very carefully. It can be an indication of some of the defects described above. Treat with extreme caution if the grease smells burnt.

If there is any doubt about the condition of a bearing discard and fit a new one.

Always replace cup and cone together.

#### ALWAYS USE GENUINE ROR BEARINGS – <u>Standard ISO Bearings</u> <u>Cannot be used</u>.

Check the bearing cups are hand tight within the hub bores. If a cup is loose the hub must be replaced.

Following a complete hub and bearing clean down use a 400ml tube of Meritor Hub Grease Blue Lithium EP2 which is sufficient to re-lubricate both the inner and outer bearings and the hub cavity.

Dry the bearings of any solvent used for cleaning the bearings.

Thoroughly re-pack the inner and outer bearings with grease. Work the grease deep into the rollers with your hands until the cages are solid packed with grease. Always place greased bearings in a clean area and protect from falling debris.

Press the inner bearing fully home into the cup. (This helps the location of the oil seal driver.)

Fit the oil seal onto the driver (Meritor Part No. 21221510), note that the oil seal cannot be fitted successfully without the correct driving tool.

Make sure the 'oil side' (written on the rubber) is facing away from the face of the driver, with the outer face of the seal fully seated on the face of the driver. Failure to seat the seal in this way can cause the seal to be fitted skew.

Locate the nose of the driver into the inner bearing cone and drive the seal home (fig. 18). Check that the outer most rubber edge of the seal is flush with the face of the hub all round.

Replace the greased outer bearing.

Fit the retaining washer and clip to hold the cone in place until you are ready to remount the hub.

Fill the empty cavity of the hub with the grease left in the 400ml tube. **Do not over fill with extra lubricant.** 

### 21. APPLY ANTI-FRETTING PASTE TO SPINDLE

Apply 'Optimol White Paste T' to both the inner and outer bearing journals, approximately 1-2ml per journal. Smear the paste evenly over the bearing areas and up the inner bearing abutment shoulder (fig. 19).

This paste will reduce wear and ease the removal of the bearing cones during future maintenance.

### 22. REFIT HUB, DRUM AND WHEEL ASSEMBLY

Using a wheel dolly align hub, drum and wheel assembly with the axle spindle, adjust position and height until brake drum fits over brake linings.

If the outer bearing is removed be certain to place it in a clean area before it is reassembled in the hub.

To mount the hub assembly without the outer bearing, retaining washer and clip in place, push assembly fully onto axle and guard against striking the oil seal on the spindle end, replace the oil seal if any damage occurs.

Fit the outer bearing cone. Fit the outer bearing retaining washer with the writing outer most and fit retainer clip.

If the outer bearing is still in place check alignment and height and align key on retainer washer with key way on spindle end, gently push the assembly fully onto the axle, guard against striking the oil seal on the spindle end, replace the oil seal if any damage occurs.

Carefully examine the tabs and keyway locater for signs of wear or damage, if any doubt exists use a new tab washer. Fit tab washer locating in key way on spindle end, fit axle end nut hand tight and remove wheel dolly.

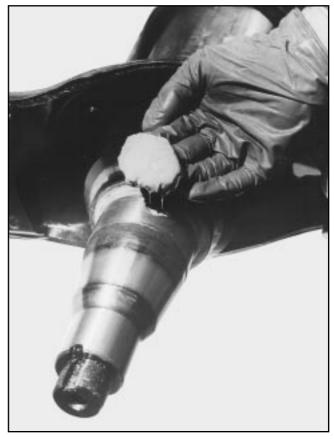


FIG. 19

Torque axle end nut to 150/175 Nm. Whilst tightening axle end nut rotate wheel several times to seat wheel bearings (fig. 3).

# Never torque the final stages of the end nut without rotating the hub. Failure to do this can cause bearing damage and result in the hub not seating properly.

Bend tab washer tab closest to a full flat on the end nut using a suitable tool (Meritor Part No. 21221514).

Check the hub cap mounting face and gasket groove is free of debris and damage, wipe clean the mounting faces.

Fit hub cap gasket (Meritor Part No. 21223797) to the hub cap with the flat face of the seal against the cap. A 'smear' of grease within the external hub cavity and on the back of the hub cap is good practise to prevent corrosion in the event of any moisture ingress.

Fit hub cap and gasket to hub, tighten hub cap screws sequentially observing the compression of the gasket around the fixings, finally torque hub cap screws to 11/15 Nm (fig. 1). Over tightening will split the gasket. Too little pressure on the gasket may not provide an effective seal.

### 23. LUBRICATE BRAKE CHAMBER CLEVIS PIN ASSEMBLY

Lubricate the clevis pin assembly from both sides with oil, and make sure the brake can be operated easily by pulling the slack adjuster by hand.

### **24. ADJUST BRAKES**

#### MANUAL SLACK ADJUSTERS:

Using the manual adjustment nut on the slack adjuster adjust the brake until the wheel can not be turned by hand. Back off brake until it is just possible to freely turn the wheel without resistance from the brake linings.

#### **AUTOMATIC SLACK ADJUSTERS:**

Follow the appropriate setting procedure for the type of automatic slack adjuster fitted. Instructions are available through Meritor Technical Sales Department.

### **SECTION 2**

# **Additional Procedures**

# After 3 years or 300,000 km

### **REMOVAL AND REFITTING OF WHEEL BOLTS**

With the hub removed from the axle, support it by placing blocks under the wheel flange. Using the wheel bolt removal tool (21205455) drive out the wheel bolts (fig. 20).



FIG. 20

To replace wheel bolts, turn the hub over, oil seal end upwards, and support the hub on the brake drum aligning the holes in both hub and drum. Using the wheel bolt driving tool (21211274) drive the bolts home in turn (fig. 21).



FIG. 21

### FITTING OF THE POLE WHEEL

With the hub removed from the axle, place it, oil seal end upwards, on a clean, flat surface and cover the bore with a clean cloth to protect the bearings and grease from contamination. Check that the pole wheel mounting spigot on the hub is clean and free from rust using medium emery paper to clean up if necessary. Ensure no emery dust or other debris contaminates the bearings or grease.

The pole wheel (21221064) can be fitted hot or cold using the seal driving tool (21221510). If fitting hot, heat the pole wheel evenly to a maximum of 150°C using a hot plate or induction heater and place onto the hub spigot ensuring it fully seats. If fitting cold, use the oil seal driving tool to drive the pole wheel onto the hub spigot ensuring it bottoms out against the mounting shoulder (fig. 22).



FIG. 22

### **FITTING OF THE SENSOR**

Assemble the spring bush (21213036) into the sensor mounting block (22221063) (fig. 23). Lightly grease the sensor assembly and push fully into the mounting block. When the hub is refitted the pole wheel will push the sensor back and thus obtain the correct clearance.





The mounting block is fixed to the beam using a screw (21221521) tightened to 25/35 Nm. During tightening of the screw move the block from side to side so that it is correctly seated and is within  $\pm 2.5^{\circ}$  to the wheel axis. The sensor assembly may be rotated in the mounting block to allow the cable to pass either side of the anchor bracket. Pass the sensor cable through the dust cover using the uppermost hole and fit grommet (21220842).

### **SENSOR OUTPUT**

Connect the output cable to a suitable multimeter. Rotate the hub by hand at a constant rate of approximately 30 rpm and note the maximum and minimum readings. The minimum voltage reading should be 400 millivolts and the ratio of max/min should not exceed 2. If either values are not obtained check the installed air gap between the sensor and pole wheel does not exceed 0.7mm and the pole wheel runout does not exceed 0.2mm. If the installation is not correct contact the supplier of the anti-lock equipment for further advice.

#### **REMOVAL AND REFITTING OF DUST COVERS**

Normally most service operations can be carried out with dust covers in place. If for any reason they must be replaced unfasten the 4 screws at each wheel end securing the dust cover using an M13 socket (fig. 24) and remove the two halves of each dust cover. When refitting ensure that the halves are pushed together and locating tabs correctly engaged to ensure any gaps are minimised before tightening the screws to 50/60 Nm.

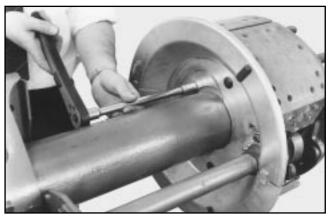


FIG. 24

#### FITTING OF A HUBODOMETER

The TE axle may be fitted with an hubodometer by using either a special hub cap or additional mounting strap. It is not possible to fit an hubodometer to a standard hub cap and attempting to do so may cause damage to the spindle or the sealing of the hub cavity.

For hubodometer types up to 85mm outside diameter, use special hub cap (21221060).

The hubodometer is best assembled with the hub cap off the axle. Place the hub cap on a clean, flat surface. Fit the nut to spanner (fig. 25) and using a small amount of grease locate the washer on the nut.



FIG. 25

Position the nut and washer under the mounting hole using the spanner and lower the hubodometer through the hole to engage the thread. Rotate the hubodometer to screw the nut along the mounting stud until hand tight then tighten with the spanner in the normal way. The hub cap and gasket can then be refitted to the axle as described in section 22.

For hubodometer types larger than 85mm outside diameter, use hubodometer mounting plate 21222610.

Fit the hubodometer to the centre hole of the mounting plate. Remove three of the five hub cap fixing screws from the hub end to suit the bracket fixing bolt hole pattern. Offer the hubodometer bracket to the front face of the standard hub cap and replace the three fixing screws as described in section 22.

A range of hubodometers are available to suit various tyre sizes as shown in fig. 26.

	Part Number		
Tyre Size	Kilometres	Miles	
15R22.5	21212648	21212649	
F20 PILOTE	21206207		
12.00 x 20			
18 x 22.5		21021019	
16.5 x 22.5	21204639	21021018	
11.00 x 20	21023810	21021016	
12.00 x 22.5		21021010	
10.00 x 20	21022758	21021015	
11.00 x 22.5	21022730	21021013	
10.00 x 22.5	21023732	21021014	
9.00 x 20		21021014	
8.25 x 20		21021013	

FIG. 26

#### **REMOVAL AND REFITTING OF BRAKE DRUM**

The brake drum can be separated from the hub after removal of the road wheel as follows. Remove the two countersunk drum retaining screws from the drum flange face using a 10mm Allen key (fig. 27).

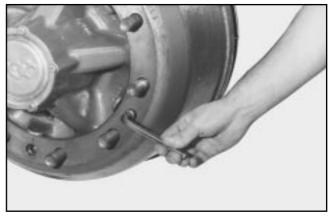


FIG. 27

These screws can then be used to jack the drum free of its locating spigots by refitting them to the two plain tapped holes in the drum flange ensuring they are tightened evenly to prevent the drum tipping (fig. 28).



The drum can then be lifted clear of the hub.

To refit the brake drum, locate it over the wheel studs ensuring it is correctly orientated to align the two countersunk retaining bolt holes with the tapped holes in the hub. Refit the two retaining screws and tighten to 50/60 Nm ensuring that the drum is fully seated on its locating spigot. Ensure the retaining screw heads are below the surface of the brake drum flange face after tightening.

# REMOVAL AND FITTING OF ANTILOCK EQUIPMENT

All TE axles are provided with a means of fitting antilock equipment. Every hub has a machined spigot to locate the pole wheel and axle beams are plain drilled for self tapping bolt to allow the fitting of the sensor mounting block (fig. 29). It is important that the correct bolt is used.

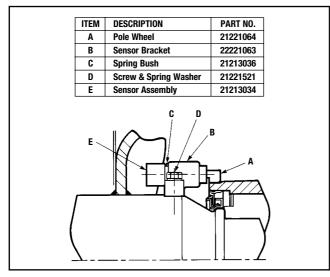


FIG. 29

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