

EXHAUST BRAKE

# BUYER'S GUIDE

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Before you make a decision regarding the Exhaust Brake System you will install on your truck, it is important to recognize the available features and benefits that exist in the marketplace so you can make the best and most informed decision possible.

Generally speaking, all Exhaust Brake Systems, by design, ultimately do the same thing—in one way or another they restrict the exhaust flow in order to create engine cylinders resistance, which slows your truck down through the power train without using your traditional brakes.

An effective Exhaust Brake System should give you **additional braking power** which prevents overheating, damage, or failed brakes—allowing you to safely control heavy loads while going down steep grades or coming to long stops.

The question for you as a buyer is—*how exactly does the Exhaust Brake System create exhaust back pressure in the engine?* Is it simple? Is it complicated? Is it expensive? Is it safe for my engine? Is it difficult to install? Is it prone to failure? These are the types of questions you need answers to before you make your final buying decision.

This **Exhaust Brake Buyer's Guide** is designed to help you make that objective and educated decision.

## THINGS TO AVOID in an Exhaust Brake System:

- ✘ **COMPLICATED INSTALLATION** - Complicated installation simply means that it is going to be a hassle to actually get it installed on your truck once you finally receive the *Exhaust Brake Kit*. If it is complicated to install then it's going to be easy for something to go wrong!
- ✘ **TOO MANY PARTS** - The more parts your Exhaust Brake System has, the more likely it is for something to fail. More parts means more potential problems. You should opt for an Exhaust Brake System with the *least amount of parts necessary*. Look for a simple durability design with minimal parts.
- ✘ **EXPENSIVE INSTALLATION** - If there are too many parts and the installation is complicated, then you may not be able to install it yourself. This means you are going to have to add the cost of installation to your overall price. There is nothing wrong with having a **professional** install your Exhaust Brake System,

but if the systems has too many parts, the amount you will have to pay someone to install it will be much higher.

- ✘ **NO LIFETIME WARRANTY** - Don't buy an Exhaust Brake System that does not have a genuine lifetime warranty. Be sure that "lifetime" actually means "lifetime", because some states let manufacturers get away with claiming a "Lifetime Warranty" but only warranty certain parts of the system, and only for 7 years. Remember, a true lifetime warranty means the manufacturer is confident in the product they are selling.
- ✘ **APPLICATION CONFIDENCE** - Believe it or not, one of the biggest problems with Exhaust Brake Systems is that truck owner's buy them only to find out they don't work or fit on their particular truck. Make sure you are confident that the Exhaust Brake System you purchase applies/fits on your truck and performs well.
- ✘ **REQUIRE ADDITIONAL PARTS** - Many Exhaust Brake Manufacturers will sell you specific parts or kits that are *not complete*, requiring you to purchase other parts or kits in order for the Exhaust Brake System to work on your truck. Be sure to order and find an Exhaust Brake System that is sold in a kit with *everything you need for your truck*.

## FEATURES your Exhaust Brake System MUST HAVE:

- ✓ **SIMPLE INSTALLATION** (less than two hours) -The installation should be simple and quick because the Exhaust Brake System should not be to complicated. The best systems should be easily installed in less than a couple hours.
- ✓ **INEXPENSIVE INSTALLATION** - The best Exhaust Brake Systems should be easy to install quickly by yourself or a professional so you don't have the added expense or loss of time.
- ✓ **HAS LIFETIME WARRANTY** - Don't buy a Brake Exhaust System without a genuine lifetime warranty. It means the manufacturer doesn't even have full confidence in their product.
- ✓ **SIMPLE OPERATION** - Operating the Brake Exhaust System should be as simple as pushing a button or flipping a switch.

# OBJECTIVE SCORING TABLE:

Write the name of the Exhaust Brake Systems you are reviewing in the left column. Then Put an ✖ or a ✔ in each square to objectively determine which Exhaust Brake System is best for you.

**NAME OF EXHAUST BRAKE:**

	Complicated Installation?	Too Many Parts?	Expensive Installation?	Lifetime Warranty?

**NAME OF EXHAUST BRAKE:**

	Application Confidence?	Requires Additional parts?	Simple Operation?	Other