

Notes on using this spreadsheet: Enter values in the cells that have blue text. Cells with black text are calculated. The area with yellow background is for power brakes only. Understand the limitations and interpret results with care. For example, there is no way to put a figure on the fluid displacement required to take up slop and flex in the system.

STEP 1 - Install 4-wheel discs

STEP 2 - SELECT ROTOR.

Front Rotor Diameter (in.)	11.85
Rear Rotor Diameter (in.)	11.22
Front Rotor Weight (lbs.)	19.1
Rear Rotor Weight (lbs.)	12

STEP 3 - Check Thermal Capacity

Weight of vehicle (lbs.)	6750
Max speed of vehicle (mph)	80
Kinetic Energy at max speed (ft. lbs.)	1,444,816
Kinetic Energy at stop (ft. lbs.)	0
Kinetic Energy Change (ft. lbs.)	1,444,816
Temperature Rise (*F)	299
Starting Temperature (*F)	100
Brake Temp after stop (*F)	399 must not > 1000*F

STEP 4 - Select Calliper

Number of callipers (each front wheel)	1
Number of callipers (each rear wheel)	1
Number of pistons (each front caliper)	2
Number of pistons (each rear caliper)	1
Calliper Design (front callipers)	2 1 = fixed, 2 = floating
Calliper Design (rear callipers)	2 1 = fixed, 2 = floating
Piston diameter (front) (in.)	2
Piston diameter (rear) (in.)	1.88

Actual Piston Area (each front calliper)	6.28 This equation can be replaced with an area value if callipers have multiple pistons of unequal diameters
Actual Piston Area (each rear calliper)	2.774504 This equation can be replaced with an area value if callipers have multiple pistons of unequal diameters

Total Effective Piston Area (front)	12.56
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Total Effective Piston Area (rear) 5.549008

STEP 5 - Determine Brake Torque Required

Rolling Radius of Tire (in.) 16
Tire Grip 1 Use 1.0 unless calculated otherwise

STEP 5a - Front

Horizontal distance from front axle to C of G (in.) 55 C of G = centre of gravity
Wheelbase (in.) 109
Vertical Height of vehicle's C of G (in.) 34 measured vertically from ground

Vertical Force on Both front Tires (lbs) 5,450
Friction Force on Front Tire (lbs) 2,725

Brake Torque Required - each front wheel (in. lbs.) 43,596

STEP 5b - Rear

Vertical Force on both rear tires (lbs) 1,300
Friction Force on Rear Tire (lbs) 650

Brake Torque Required - each rear wheel (in. lbs.) 10,404

Brake Balance
Front 81%
Rear 19%

STEP 6 - Calculate Required Hydraulic Pressure (psi)

Front
Effective Rotor Radius (in) 5.3
Coefficient of friction between pad and rotor 0.46 use 0.3, manufacturer's specs, or estimate derived from the pad's DOT edge code
Hydraulic pressure required (front) (psi) 1424

Rear
Effective Rotor Radius (in) 5.1
Coefficient of friction between pad and rotor 0.42 use 0.3 unless otherwise specified by pad manufacturer
Hydraulic pressure required (rear) (psi) 875

Max System Hydraulic Pressure Required 1,424 Hydraulic pressure required, front or rear, whichever is greatest

STEP 7 - Pedal Effort Desired (lbs) 50 Driver's pedal effort at maximum braking - normally 50-75 lbs.

STEP 9a - Pedal Ratio 4 Pedal pivot to footpad distance divided by pivot to pushrod distance

STEP 9b - Calculate Manual MC Pushrod Force

Manual Pushrod Force (lbs) 200 pedal effort times pedal ratio

STEP 9c - Calculate MC size required (manual)

Area of MC piston required (sq. in.) 0.1405
 MC Bore required (diameter) (in.) 0.4230

STEP 9d - Insert actual MC size and calculate pressure

Actual MC Size (piston diameter) (in.) **1.0625** With due consideration to displacement required for acceptable pedal travel. Min 1" for 4-wheel discs.
 Actual MC piston area 0.8862
 Actual pressure produced **226** If value is red (less than B88): Increase pedal ratio, rotor effective radius, calliper piston size or add power booster
 Hydraulic Ratio - Front 14 :1
 Hydraulic Ratio - Rear 6 :1

STEP 9e - Add Power Booster (if required)

Booster Multiplication **7** Use value from 2 to 5

STEP 9f - Calculate Power MC Pushrod Force

Power Pushrod Force (lbs) 1,400 Pedal effort times pedal ratio times booster multiplication

STEP 9g - Calculate MC size required (Power)

Area of MC piston required (sq. in.) 0.9833
 MC Bore required (diameter) (in.) 1.1192

STEP 9h - Insert actual MC size and calculate pressure

Actual MC Size (piston diameter) (in.) **1.0625** With due consideration to displacement required for acceptable pedal travel
 Actual MC piston area 0.8862
 Actual pressure produced 1,580
 Hydraulic Ratio - Front 14 :1
 Hydraulic Ratio - Rear 6 :1

Step 11 - Calculate Actual Max brake Torque (in. lbs.)

Max actual hydraulic pressure

1580 Enter the calculated value from either manual (B108) or power brakes (B132), above - or actual obtained from pressure gauge installed inline with brake tubing.

Front

Required Brake Torque (front) (in. lbs)

43,596

Calculate Clamping Force (front) (lbs)

19,845

Calculate Brake Torque (front) (in. lbs.)

48,382

Rear

Required Brake Torque (rear) (in. lbs)

10,404

Calculate Clamping Force (rear) (lbs)

8,767

Calculate Brake Torque (rear) (in. lbs.)

18,780