## INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

**DX6.6 (Formerly Model 660E) Brake Actuator**

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**IMPORTANT: READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ENTIRE INSTRUCTION/ASSEMBLY PROCEDURE BEFORE INSTALLATION.**

The DX6.6 works by the “surge” or “push” of the trailer toward the tow vehicle. This automatically synchronizes the trailer brakes with the tow vehicle axle brakes. When the trailer pushes against the tow vehicle, the actuator telescopes together and applies the force to the master cylinder, supplying hydraulic pressure to the brakes. The built in dampening shock absorber retards the telescoping shock against the hitch ball.

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**CAUTION**

Brake laws sometimes are minimum standards and you may wish to add additional brakes to your trailer. Read your tow vehicle’s owner’s manual on towing capacity and other towing recommendations before installing brakes or this actuator.

[Image: Diagram of DX6.6 Brake Actuator]

Read your vehicle’s owner manual on towing capacity and other towing recommendations before installing brakes or this actuator. The DX6.6 Actuator is completely assembled and ready to bolt into place, if not already installed. Manufactured for tongue sizes: 3”x3”, 3”x4” & 3”x5”.

1. Bolt the actuator to the tongue using 1/2” diameter, 4” long grade 5 bolts. Lightweight tongues, less than 11 gauge, require spacer tubes inside the tongue for reinforcement. Attachment strength should equal or exceed 1-1/2 times trailer G.V.W.R.

2. Hydraulic brake lines should be installed on the trailer as described in the installation manual supplied with the brakes. Note: Some disc brakes require the use of flexible brake lines at the connection point on the brake caliper. Follow brake manufacturer instructions.

3. Use a pressure type brake bleeder to bleed brakes following manufacturer’s directions or manually bleed the brakes following instructions on page 3. Check with your state motor vehicle department for laws concerning minimum trailer brake requirements. Some states may require brakes on all axles.
Hitching The Trailer

1. The vehicle, towing hitch and ball must have a rating equal to or greater than trailer G.V.W.R.
2. DX6.6 will accept 2” balls only. Trailer balls larger than 2.00” (50mm) or out of round will not fit the coupler or may result in coupler failure. Balls smaller than 1.95” can cause shock loading and sudden disconnection. Make certain ball latch is in correct position to retain the hitch ball. Push latch until safety latch engages plate below latch. Insert safety pin into forward hole as a safety lock for the hitch ball coupler prior to towing. Do not tow trailer if coupler is damaged.

3. Connect safety cables or chains using crossed pattern under tongue, or follow trailer manufacturer’s directions.
4. Connect actuator breakaway cable S-hook to the tow vehicle only. Do not connect S-hook to the safety cables or chains.
5. The breakaway system is designed to only operate after the trailer detaches from the tow vehicle and the safety chains have failed. The breakaway is not a parking brake. Do not use as such.
6. If the breakaway is accidentally applied, insert a flat bladed screwdriver into the spring clip on the side of the actuator and pry fingers clear as you re-set the mechanism, hydraulic pressure held in the system may cause the assembly to snap back suddenly.

7. Any control devices that restrict operation of the actuator cannot be used. This includes certain sway control devices. The actuator must be free to telescope in response to braking requirements.
8. Equalizing or weight distributing hitches may be used, that are designed to use with surge brake actuators, allow 6-8” free chain length.

Failure to remove pin will also prevent forward braking. Pin must be in the lower, forward hole as a safety lock for the hitch ball coupler latch when towing at all times.

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9. The actuator is designed for use with Free-Backing trailer brakes. To block braking action, (in order to back up) with other types of brakes including disc brakes, use an electric solenoid. For trailer movement when brakes are not required, place the safety pin in the hole on the side of the actuator housing to block movement of the actuator.

Directions Vehicle Wiring - Brake Solenoid

1. Disconnect trailer hitch and any wiring connectors from the vehicle.
2. Connect a 14 gauge wire to the backup (reverse) light wire of the vehicle. This wire should be of sufficient length to attach to the existing vehicle/trailer wire receptacle. The end of this wire will require a female end that will match the solenoid male connector wire. Your vehicle may have a 5 wire connection for this purpose.
3. For ease of use, tape or band the end of the reverse light wire to the vehicle’s trailer electrical connector.

Maintenance

![CAUTION]
The exterior of the actuator and brakes should always be rinsed with fresh water after use in corrosive conditions. Before storing trailer, clean brakes and repack the bearings. Failure to properly maintain the actuator could cause serious damage, injury or death.

1. Always check the brake fluid reservoir before using trailer. Make sure it is at least half full. If not, re-fill to \( \frac{3}{8} \)” below the top of the reservoir with DOT 3 brake fluid. Do not use DOT 5 brake fluid. Check for leaks and repair as required. Never reuse brake fluid.
2. To extend coupler and ball life, coat both with a thin coating of grease. This will also eliminate squeaking. Wipe clean and renew film each time trailer is used.
3. Examine the actuator for bent parts or wear each time the trailer is used. Replace parts as necessary.
4. There are no user adjustments on the actuator.
5. Actuator travel (shown by coupler roller path) over one inch indicates a need to adjust the brakes or add fluid to the reservoir or a need to bleed the brakes and check connections for leaks. Adjust per instructions found in brake installation manual. In general, back-off adjusters on drum brakes from locked position, as required. Adjust Free-Backing brakes by rotating in forward direction only. Failure to adjust may result in loss of braking. Disc brakes do not require adjustment, check for pad wear.

Bleeding Instructions

1. To bleed master cylinder and brakes, install bleeder hose on first wheel cylinder to be bled; if tandem axle trailer, bleed farthest axle first, and the farthest brake on that axle first. Use a loose end of hose from the bleeder valve submerged in a glass container of brake fluid to observe bubbling (hose must be submerged into clean brake fluid to keep air from traveling back into the brake cylinder). Loosen the bleeder screw located in the wheel cylinder one turn, the system is now open to the atmosphere. Not to be opened while pumping master cylinder.
2. To pump master cylinder, insert a flat tip screwdriver into the bleeding access port on top, near the front of the actuator cover (1A).
3. The screwdriver should be at the lowest angle possible to the actuator so that it slides in front of the e-stop bracket (1B).
4. Screwdriver tip MUST BE IN FRONT of the e-stop bracket and NOT in the slot on the e-stop bracket (2A).
5. Push the screwdriver forward and back to pump the master cylinder (2B).
6. The bleeding operation for that brake is complete when bubbling stops. Be sure to tighten bleeder screw securely. Each wheel cylinder must be bleed until all air is out of the lines. Replenish the brake fluid during the bleeding process so the level does not fall below half full level in the master cylinder reservoir.
7. When bleeding and testing is completed, make sure master cylinder is filled to \( \frac{3}{8} \)” below the top of the reservoir and filler cap is securely in place.

Emergency Button Stop

Shown in normal operating position

If button stop cable is showing DO NOT TOW TRAILER
Release emergency stop cable by prying spring out with a flat blade screw driver.

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