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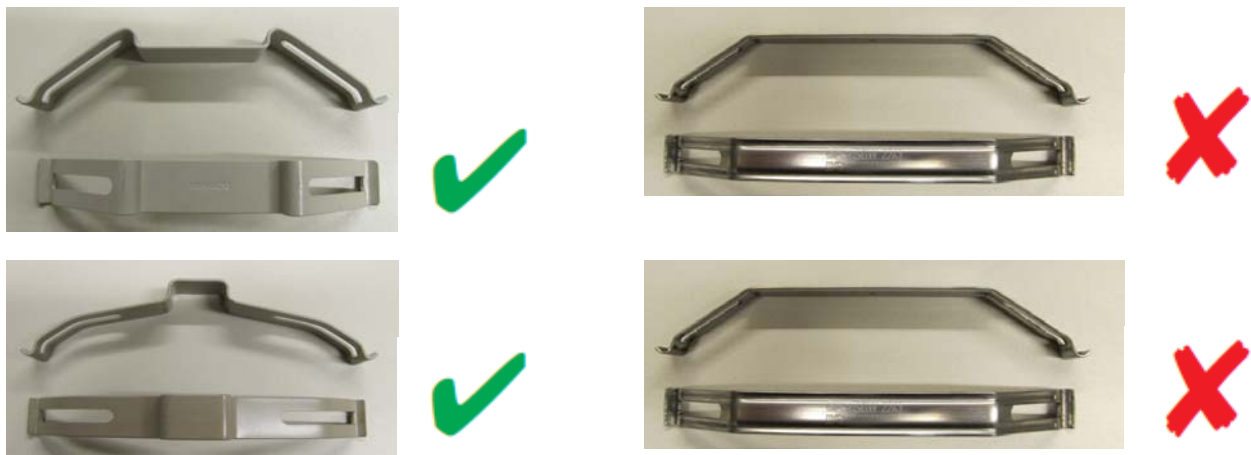
Product warning: Third party lining set and retaining system

At WABCO, samples of the lining repair kits offered on the spare parts market for WABCO brakes are regularly inspected for quality. This is also done to comply with the legal obligation to monitor products.

There are increasing numbers of retrofit lining repair kits for compressed air disc brakes for the WABCO PAN range in the spares market, each of which comprises a brake lining set for one axle and 6 retaining springs.

These springs are a visibly different **shape** to genuine WABCO springs.

Examination of the third-party products available in the market have shown that the repair kits do not comply with WABCO standards of quality.



WABCO genuine retaining springs

Third-party manufacturers; various shapes

Retaining springs which do not comply with the genuine shape and quality stipulated by us cannot guarantee that the WABCO brakes will continue to work fully and effectively.

We therefore urgently recommend not using these kinds of springs, as they can cause uncontrolled wear (uneven wear) on the brake linings.

As a result of this uneven wear, damage to the brakes cannot be ruled out. The use of any springs which do not comply with WABCO specifications shall therefore invalidate any guarantee or warranty claims and any liability for damage to the brakes.

Possible risks associated with the use of springs which do not comply with WABCO specifications include overheating of the brakes in critical braking situations and extremely uneven wear.

This generally results in damage to the brakes and the brake discs and reduced brake performance.

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We would therefore like to point out that the use of the repair kits mentioned could cause damage to the brakes and therefore result in considerable additional costs.



This is how you can recognise genuine WABCO retaining springs

All genuine retaining springs have the WABCO logo.

This makes it easy to distinguish them from (not approved) third party retaining springs.

We point out that when spare parts not approved by WABCO are used, no legal claims can be filed against WABCO for faults and any consequential damage.

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WABCO retaining systems are protected by patent (EP 0 694 707 B3) for the entire WABCO PAN series.

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