

Technical Assistance: 104

Peugeot 405 rear calipers – Bleeding problem.

Symptom: Permanent spongy pedal, but normal pedal if caliper flexible hose is clamped.

Cause: When the rear of this vehicle is jacked up, the trailing arms drop and the nipple outlet is no longer positioned at the highest point. Nipple outlet must be at the highest point to avoid air being trapped.

Solution: Unbolt the caliper housing from its guide pins and open the bleed nipple. Air rises; so, rotate the caliper piston face down (if pipe-work allows) and expel air from the piston casing; then make sure the bleed nipple is at the top and expel any remaining air tighten the nipple. Refit the caliper to its guide pins.



Note

Budweg vacuum fill all know problem calipers with brake fluid; then they seal them to aid installers.