

First of all the brake is mechanical and all the adjustment is done on the rod which runs from the coupler to a yoke where the cables are attached. Most adjusting occurs at the yoke under the unit. Turning the adjusting nut clockwise shortens the distance, increasing the brake sensitivity. Turning the nut counter clock has the opposite affect.

Using the parking brake lever as a visual indicator is a very good way to determine what, if any, brake adjustment is needed. When the parking brake is off there should be a little movement (no tension) in the rod. When the rod is adjusted properly and the brake pulled on with the parking brake lever, the lever should be at the 10:00 o'clock position and moving the unit slightly to set the brake will cause the lever to lock up at 11:00 o'clock. The lever should never be at 12:00 o'clock or later.

Please note that references to the clock are observing from the driver's side.

Do not forget to tighten down the lock nut (lock, jamb, nut used to lock adjustment by running two nuts into one another causing the threads to lock up) at the yoke which will secure your adjustment. Without the lock nut, the adjusting nut may work loose while traveling and cause you to loose your brakes altogether.

I hope this helps anyone who may need to adjust their brakes. Keep in mind that this is not a substitute for service by a qualified technician when you suspect your brakes may need replacing.

Happy Tabbing...Smokey