

**BRAKE PAD TIP**

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Do you change your own brake pads? If so, keep one thing in mind. After replacing the pads, they are NOT going to be flat against the brake rotor. What this means is that when you get in the car, pull out of the garage, and first hit the brakes, the pedal might well go right to the floor with no braking! To avoid this, after replacing the pads, get in the car and pump the pedal slightly but several times to push the pads flat against the rotors. Once you feel firm resistance in the pedal, the car is ready for driving.

I have failed to do this and nearly clobbered my neighbor's pickup truck when I have pulled the Porsche out of the garage - not once, but twice!