**Parking Brake Adjustment**

##### Meets ASE Task: (A5-F-3) P-1 Check parking brake cables and components for wear and clean or replace as needed.

**Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Time on Task \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Make/Model/Year \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ VIN \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation: 4 3 2 1**

**\_\_\_\_\_ 1.** Check the service information for the specified parking brake adjustment for the

 vehicle being serviced. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**\_\_\_\_\_ 2.** Apply the parking brake and count the number of “clicks.”

 \_\_\_\_\_ less than 4 “clicks”

 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 - 10 “clicks”

 \_\_\_\_\_ over 10 “clicks”

**NOTE:** If there are less than 4 “clicks” or more than 10 “clicks”, adjustment of the parking brake may be needed.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 3.** Place the gear selector in neutral and release the parking brake.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 4.** Hoist the vehicle safely.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 5.** Try rotating the rear wheels (front wheels on some Subaru vehicles).

 \_\_\_\_\_ rotates freely

 \_\_\_\_\_ does not rotate

**NOTE:** If the rear wheels do not rotate, try loosening the parking brake cable.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 6.** If the rear wheels rotate freely and the parking brake requires more than 10 “clicks,”

 remove the rear brakes for inspection.

**NOTE:** The parking brake should only be adjusted after checking and adjusting the rear brakes.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 7.** Clean and adjust the rear brakes.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 8.** Reassemble the rear brakes and apply the parking brake 3 - 4 “clicks.”

**\_\_\_\_\_ 9.** If the rear wheels can be rotated, adjust the parking

 brake adjuster until the rear wheel brakes are just

 touching the brake drums.

**\_\_\_\_\_ 10.** Apply the parking brake and again count the

 “clicks.” Most vehicle manufacturers recommend

 that the parking brake should hold with 6 to 18

 “clicks.” Readjust the parking brake as needed.