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<b>Brakes - Elimination Of Sanding Rotors And Drums - Service Tip</b>	<b>Article No. 98-5A-11</b>
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**FORD:**

1993 FESTIVA  
1993-94 TEMPO  
1993-97 CROWN VICTORIA, ESCORT, MUSTANG, PROBE, TAURUS, THUNDERBIRD  
1994-97 ASPIRE  
1995-97 CONTOUR

**LINCOLN-MERCURY:**

1993-94 TOPAZ  
1993-97 CONTINENTAL, COUGAR, GRAND MARQUIS, MARK VIII, SABLE, TOWN CAR, TRACER  
1995-97 MYSTIQUE

**LIGHT TRUCK:**

1993-96 BRONCO  
1993-97 AEROSTAR, ECONOLINE, EXPLORER, F SUPER DUTY, F-150-350 SERIES, RANGER, VILLAGER  
1995-97 WINDSTAR  
1997 EXPEDITION, MOUNTAINEER

**ISSUE:**

Repeat brake repairs have been performed due to sanding of brake rotors and drums. The sanding of rotors and drums may have been done in reference to a Service Manual or TSB article which prescribes sanding as a repair, however, sanding is neither an effective nor lasting repair for customer complaints of brake roughness or noise.

**ACTION:**

Machine brake rotors and drums instead of sanding to help reduce brake roughness caused by one of the following conditions:

- Rotor thickness variation and lateral runout
- Lining or foreign material build-up
- Drum out-of-round

**NOTE:**

DO NOT MACHINE OR SAND ROTORS/DRUMS TO REDUCE OCCASIONAL BRAKE NOISE. IT IS NEITHER AN EFFECTIVE OR LASTING REPAIR.

**OTHER APPLICABLE ARTICLES:** NONE

**SUPERSEDES:** 96-22-2

**WARRANTY STATUS:** INFORMATION ONLY

**OASIS CODES:** 301000

