



Secondary Supplier of BPW Brake Lining Material

Overview

BPW has proudly utilised the Textar T090 drum brake lining material for over four decades, consistently delivering reliable and high-performance braking solutions across a wide range of applications.

In line with our commitment to continual improvement and supply chain resilience, BPW has qualified an additional brake lining material—designated **BPW 6404**—for use in our drum brake systems. This qualification is not driven by cost considerations, but rather by the strategic objective of reducing dependency on a single supplier, thereby mitigating potential supply disruptions to our valued customers.

The **BPW 6404** lining material has undergone extensive testing and validation, demonstrating performance that is comparable to, and in certain conditions exceeds, that of the existing Textar T090 material. This development has been formally approved for use in SN 4218 brakes by all three major brake system providers: **Wabco, Knorr-Bremse, and MicoSA**.

Below are the provisional timelines for supply originating from Europe. There will be a delay of several months to supply in South Africa due to existing stock and freight times.

SN 4218: January 2026

SN 4220: March 2026

SN 3020: September 2026

SN 3620: Not scheduled yet

Our technical and customer support teams remain available to provide further information and assistance.

Regards

BPW Technical Team