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# Trailer Brake Inspection Methods when using a Brake Roller Tester

## Introduction

In response to correspondence from industry regarding the outcome of a number of trailer brake inspections, it has been decided to reinforce one particular aspect of the inspection so that more accurate conclusions are achieved.

## Action

It is imperative when inspecting any trailer braking system using a brake roller tester or "Truckalyser" to ensure that any brake modulating device is set in the **Fully Applied** position. This operation is to ensure that maximum available brake force can be attained by all brakes on the trailer. This will also provide a correct evaluation of any difference in the brake force between brakes on the same axle.

Accordingly, inspectors are to request drivers, before the test is taken, to ensure that the device, if fitted, is in the **'Fully Applied'** position. After the test, inspectors are to remind drivers that the device is still in that position.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

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