

Z3 Brake Upgrades

Notes on what brake upgrades are easily done on BMW Z3's for future reference.

Z3 3.0L Front Brake Upgrade.

The 3.0L Z3 has 300mm front disks. These are larger than the standard 286mm Z3 disk. The only items that need to be changed are:

- Caliper carrier Part # [34106758120](#) and
- Front disk Part # [34116864058](#).

This brake upgrade works with the standard OEM 16" wheels.

The rear brakes are the same across all of the post facelift non-Z3M models.

325i Front Brake Upgrade

The E46 325i front brake carrier and calipers can be fitted to the Z3. Also fit the 300mm Z3 3.0L disks. It requires 17" wheels as a minimum to provide clearance for the brakes.

330i Front Brake Upgrade

The E46 330i 325mm front brake disks, carrier and Caliper can be fitted to the Z3. It requires 17" wheels as a minimum to provide clearance for the brakes.

Brembo Brake Upgrades

Disk Kits using OEM calipers and 16" wheels:

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| • 2.0L to 2.8L | FD040000 |
| • 3.0L | FD091000 |

Caliper/disks kits are offered but with disks from 320mm to 325mm diameters with 4 to 6 piston calipers. These kits require modifications to the caliper carrier or king pin to enable the caliper to be correctly mounted. It also requires changing wheels to 17" or larger.