

The Challenge of Reducing Fine Dust

Process and Large-Scale Production Development of Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs





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Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs Fine dust pollutes people and the environment



Hard-coated brake discs are the preferred solution for compliance with the "EURO 7" fine particulate matter limits

- » Air pollution leads to 4.5 million premature deaths per year¹
- » Abrasion of a brake rotors is a significant contributor to the damage to the environment and health²
- » While exhausts have been significantly reduced in recent years, non-exhaust emissions have remained at a constant level³
- » Consequently, fine dust regulations are being discussed and prepared by governments all over the world (e.g. European Union)

¹ German Medical Journal on February 12, 2020

² OECD (2020), Non-exhaust Particulate Emissions from Road Transport: An Ignored Environmental Policy Challenge OECD, Publishing, Paris, https://doi.org/10.1787/4a4dc6ca-en.

³ Umweltbundesamt (2017), https://www.umweltbundesamt.de/sites/default/files/medien/461/publikationen/texte_43_2013_appelhans_e05_komplett_0.pdf

Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs The EURO7 regulation

Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL

vicles, with respect to their emissions and battery durability (Euro 7) and repealing Regulations (EC) No 715/2007 and (EC) No 595/2009 (Text with EEA relevance) (SEC(2022) 397 final) - (SWD(2022) 358 final) - (SWD(2022) 359 final) - (SWD(2022) 360 final)

vehicles and engines and of systems

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COM(2022) 586 final 2022/0365(COD)



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2023	2024	2025
EUROPEAN COMMISSION	• EURO7	

- Draft: 2022-11-10
- Regulation < 7 mg/km PM10
- Due date 2025-07-01
- all types (passenger cars and vans)
- From January 1st, 2035, a limit of <3 mg/km PM10 will apply

Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs ... why?

- >> Reduction of Fine Dust Emissions
- >> Wear Resistance
- >> Corrosion Protection





Coating of Brake Discs

is one strategy to meet future environmental regulation requirements for vehicle emissions.





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Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs Report out of the EMAG Laser Application Center – LMD Prototype machine





- » A prototype machine for laser coating has been installed at the EMAG Laser Applications Center in Heubach since November 2020
 » Equipment:
 - » Laserline 22kW High-Power Diode Laser, incl. Optics
 - » Trumpf TruDisk 12001 incl. technology package
 - » Wecodur Technology packages
 - » Powder feeders (disc) incl. powder nozzles
 - » Induction Pre-Heating
 - » Melting bath monitoring
 - » Layer thickness measurement
 - » Optical carbide content measurement
 - » Metallurgical lab

Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs Report out of the EMAG Laser Application Center – LMD polished section



Example:

Cross-section coating of an unground brake disc



Friction layer : 430 L + 30% Titanium carbides (broken)

Grain size 5-45µm Layer thickness: approx. 220µm (before grinding)

Bonding layer: 316 L Layer thickness: approx. 130µm

Workpiece material brake disc Grey cast iron (GG 25)

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Example:

Cross-section coating of a subsequently ground brake disc



Friction layer: 316 L + 30% Tungsten carbides (spherical) Grain size 20-53µm Layer thickness: approx. 200 µm (before grinding)

Bonding layer: 316 L Layer thickness: approx. 90-100 μm

Workpiece material brake disc Grey cast iron (GG 25)



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Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs EMAG ELC 450 DUO LMD





Laser Hard Coated Brake Discs EMAG VLC 450 DG – Grinding Machine









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- » Fine dust regulation is expected not only for premium segment but in volume markets also
- » Coated brake discs will significantly reduce brake-related particulate matter and offer further advantages in terms of wear and corrosion protection as well as weight savings
- » Laser cladding is the efficient coating option for brake discs
- » We expect large-scale series production on the horizon
- » EMAG Application Labs to support customer's process development
- » EMAG is as a turnkey supplier for the complete process chain of brake disc production, from soft machining and laser coating to the final grinding process



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