

Lightweight Front Wheel

Since the Superlight option was introduced in 2005, it has consisted almost entirely in substituting titanium alloy parts for steel componentry in the rear frame, front forks, seat pillar, mudguard stays and folding pedal-axle; an alloy headset brought a further small saving. In all, these changes saved about a kilogramme in weight, particularly noticeable if carrying the bike regularly. For 2009, we are introducing a new front wheel that will save further weight but without adding to the cost of 'going Superlight'.

Having introduced double-buttet spokes to our gear-free rear hub earlier this year, we are introducing the same to the new lightweight front wheel.

It will employ double-buttet spokes and forged 7020 aluminium nipples, which are actually harder than the brass nipples they replace.

The wheel also features a completely new Brompton-designed front hub with an aluminium axle and high-quality sealed Japanese bearings; it is secured using the same Allen bolt and nut as the Son hub dynamo.

Spoke count is 28, the same as the standard wheel. Total weight saving (including all fixtures) is about 85g.*

The lightweight front wheel will be offered as part of the Superlight package; **neither it nor any of the other components that make up the Superlight package will be available separately on new bike orders.** It is our intention to simplify our product offering (a process begun in previous years) and to increase the value that consumers receive from options such as the Superlight upgrade.



The Marketing and Sales teams will be happy to assist you further, and to answer any queries you might have.

With best wishes

Emerson Roberts
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* The exact final weights for the new parts will not be known until the production parts arrive and we conduct our annual re-weighing of the product range.