



U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire
To Report Vehicle Safety Defects
1-888-DASH-2-DOT
(1-888-327-4236)
INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City NEW HYDE PARK

State NY

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Evening Telephone Number

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? YES NO
In the absence of an explicit address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date / /

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Make ACURA

Model TL

Model Year 2003

Date Purchased

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:
No. Cylinders

Fuel Type:

Original Owner

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

4

gas

Transmission Type

Antilock Brakes

Powertrain

Vehicle Component Code

190000 TIRES

Automatic

Cruise Control

Multiple Failure: 1, 2

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

Failure Mileage

Failure Speed

5/10/03
6/12/03

2000

15MPH

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

MICHELIN

ENERGY MAX PLUS

P250S/60VR36

DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)

Original Equipment

Failure Location: ~~DRIVER~~ SIDE FRONT - Passenger

Prior Repair

Tire Component Code

Tire Failure Type Side Wall puncture

190000 TIRES

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make:

Date Manufactured:

Model No./Name:

Seat Type:

Installation System:

Child Seat Component Code:

Failed Part:

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies).)

Crash

Fire

Number of Persons Injured

Number of Deaths

Reported to Police

Yes No

Yes No

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Narrative Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).

Please describe (1) events leading up to the failure, (2) failure and its consequences, and (3) what was done to correct the failure; i.e., parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available).

FRONT TIRES BLEW OUT WHILE DRIVING. THIS WAS CAUSED BY BUBBLES IN THEM. *AK

At slow speed of 10-15 MPH, my passenger side front tire ruptured after striking a rather shallow pot hole while driving in Charleston, SC. The tire was used approx. 9,000 miles. A second incident occurred only 2000 mi later in Flushing, N.Y. to the replacement Michelin (passenger front side) after striking a manhole cover. The dealer acknowledges numerous complaints with these tires. (The tire dealer (see below)

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-579) This information is requested pursuant to authority vested in the National Highway Traffic Safety Act and subsequent amendments. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist the NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If the NHTSA proceeds with an administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

said, "Low profile tires rupture from minor potholes" and Michelin confirms that assessment and agreed to reimburse for only 1 tire. I intend to replace all 4 tires since these tires are unsafe.