



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](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline)

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**OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)**

Name: [Redacted]  
Address: [Redacted]  
City: JOSHUA TREE State: CA Zip Code: [Redacted]  
Daytime Telephone Number: [Redacted] E-mail Address: [Redacted]

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide your name and address to the manufacturer of your vehicle?  YES  NO  
In the absence of an authorized address to the vehicle manufacturer.  
Signature of Owner: [Redacted] Date: 8/13/03

**VEHICLE INFORMATION**

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN): 1B7GL2A07YS [Redacted]  
Make: DODGE Model: DAKOTA Model Year: 2000  
Date Purchased: 1/00 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number: Yucca Valley Dodge Y.V. Call  
Original Owner: [Redacted] Dealer's City: Yucca Valley State: CA Zip Code: 92289 Engine: No. Cylinders: 6 Fuel Type: Gas  
Transmission Type: Auto Antilock Brakes:  Cruise Control:  Powertrain: [Redacted]  
Vehicle Component Code: 060000 ENGINE AND ENGINE COOLING  
Multiple Failure: [Redacted]

**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

Incident Date(s): 17 JUN 2003  
Failure Mileage: 55000  
Failure Speed: 8

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE**

Tire Make: [Redacted] Tire Model (Name or Number): [Redacted] Tire Size (Example P215/65R15): [Redacted]  
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036): [Redacted] Original Equipment Prior Repair:  Failure Location: [Redacted]  
Tire Component Code: [Redacted] Tire Failure Type: [Redacted]

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE**

Make: [Redacted] Date Manufactured: [Redacted] Model No./Name: [Redacted]  
Seat Type: [Redacted] Installation System: [Redacted]  
Child Seat Component Code: [Redacted] Failed Part: [Redacted]

**APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION**

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

Crash:  Yes  No Fire:  Yes  No  
Number of Persons Injured: 1 Number of Deaths: 0 Reported to Police: N YES

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).

VEHICLE OVERHEATED, PULLED SIDE OF THE ROAD. OPENED THE UNDERHOOD, AND SUDDENLY THE PLASTIC OVERFLOOD BLEW OUT ON CONSUMER'S FACE, DEALER NOTIFIED, NOTHING THEY COULD DO. \*AK

*chest arm & hand!*

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 administrative enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.