



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)
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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City WILLIAMSTOWN

State MA

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 authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date / /

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side
KMD0A7239Y56457B0

Make
KIA

Model
SPORTAGE

Model Year
2000

Date Purchased
2-14-02

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number (413) 468-2193
Alcero Motors, 384 Main St. Williamstown, MA

Engine:
No. Cylinders
4

Fuel Type:
unleaded
Gasoline

Original Owner

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

Antilock Brakes

Powertrain

Vehicle Component Code
11000 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Automatic
w/overdrive

Cruise Control

Multiple Failure:

FAILED COMPONENT(S) / PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)
27-MAY-2003

Failure Mileage
65000

Failure Speed
0

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

DOT No. (Example: DOTMALSABC036)

Original Equipment
 Prior Repair

Failure Location:

Tire Component Code

Tire Failure Type

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

Yes No

Fire

Yes No

Number of Persons Injured

0

Number of Deaths

0

Reported to Police

N

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 EXPERIENCED AN ELECTRICAL SYSTEM FAILURE, AND CAUGHT ON FIRE. VEHICLE WAS TOTALED. T A RECALL WAS ISSUED, BUT THIS VEHICLE NOT INCLUDED DUE TO VIN. *AK

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

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974—Public Law 93-502 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 a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

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

On May 22nd 2003 my Kia Sportage was parked at 7:30am and at 1:40pm the car was engulfed in the front passenger side in flames. The vehicle had been parked the whole time prior to the fire. The fire was deemed electrical by the fire department, and was deemed a total loss by the insurance company. The vehicle never had any problems in the year that I owned it. Only routine maintenance was performed; ie oil change & filter, air filter and checking of all fluids.

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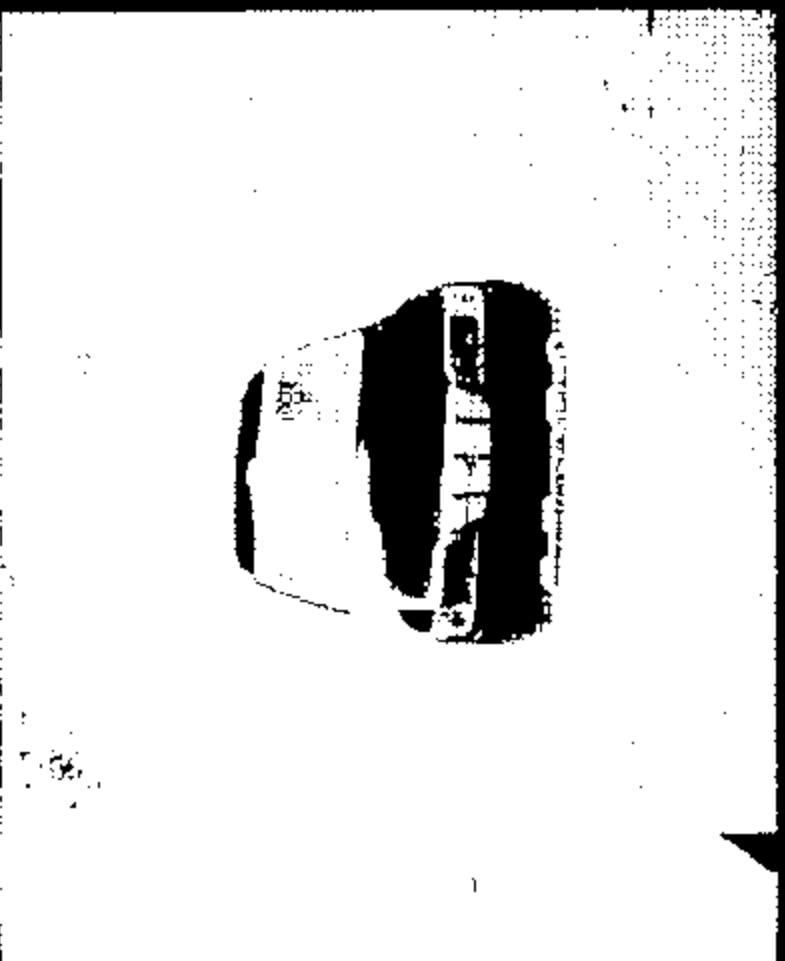
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 TYPE : **VEHICLE**
 YEAR : **2000**
 MAKE : **KIA**
 MODEL : **SPORTAGE**

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Make : KIA	Model : SPORTAGE	Year : 2000
NHTSA CAMPAIGN ID Number : 00V205000	Recall Date : JUL 27, 2000	
Component: ELECTRICAL SYSTEM		
Potential Number Of Units Affected : 56482		

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