



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 HILLSBORO

State MO

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 1/1

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

1GTD11803V8512851

Make

GMC

Model

SONOMA

Model Year

1997

Date Purchased

2-97

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

SAPAUGH 436 939 0055

Engine

No. Cylinders

6

Fuel Type:

GAS

Original Owner

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

AUTO

☒ Antilock Brakes

☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

4 whl drive

Vehicle Component Code

162B1D STRUCTURE-BODY:TAILGATE:HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

Failure Mileage

57000

Failure Speed

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: DOT1MAB0308)

☐ 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

Number of Deaths

Reported to Police

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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).

TAILGATE CABLE ON DRIVER'S SIDE SNAPPED AT THE BOTTOM OF THE LOOP. DEALERSHIP INDICATED THAT THE CABLE ENDS WERE NOT PROPERLY SEALED AT TIME OF BEING MANUFACTURED. AS A RESULT, WATER WAS ABLE TO COME IN CONTACT WITH THE CABLE, CAUSING THEM TO RUST. *AK

Parts Dept - SAPAUGH - SAY THIS IS A COMMON PROBLEM
PART COST ON full size pickup truck is \$600
ON THE SONOMA THE CABLE IS RIVETED TO LATCH - COST \$34.00
I installed this myself.

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 responses 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 responses, 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)

Osha should be notified about this problem
someone standing or sitting at time of failure could fall
(on tail gate)

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