



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 [Redacted]
Address [Redacted]
City INDIANAPOLIS State IN Zip Code [Redacted]

Daytime Telephone Number [Redacted] E-mail Address [Redacted]
Evening Telephone Number [Redacted]

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle?
In the absence of an address or address to the vehicle manufacturer. YES NO
Signature of Owner [Redacted] Date 02/14/04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number (located at bottom of windshield on driver's side)
187GL23X0TS658683 Make DODGE Model DAKOTA Model Year 1996
Date Purchased [Redacted] Dealer's Name and Telephone Number Peermas Dodge 317-582-4747 Engine: No: Cylinders [Redacted] Fuel Type: [Redacted]
Original Owner Dealer's City State Zip Code Indianapolis IN 46219
Transmission Type AUTOMATIC Antilock Brakes Cruise Control Powertrain [Redacted] Vehicle Component Code 221200 SEATS:FRONT ASSEMBLY:RECLINER
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 14-JAN-2004 Failure Mileage 104000 Failure Speed [Redacted]

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: DOT1M18ABC038) 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 [Redacted] Number of Deaths [Redacted] 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).

WHILE DRIVING DRIVER'S SEAT RECLINER BOLT BROKE, CAUSING THE DRIVER'S SEAT BACK TO FALL BACKWARDS. DRIVER LOSE CONTROL OF THE VEHICLE TEMPORARILY. *AK

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

The Privacy Act of 1974-Public Law 93-579 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 a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

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