



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
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INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City

LAWRENCEBURG

State IN

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 authorized signature, provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 8/1/04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

PLEASE FILL IN

Make

BUICK

Model

REGAL

Model Year

1979

Date Purchased

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:

No. Cylinders

Fuel Type:

Original Owner

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

☐ Antilock Brakes

Powertrain

☐ Cruise Control

Vehicle Component Code

191000 TIRES:TREAD/BELT

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

17-MAY-2004

Failure Mileage

Failure Speed

50

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

FIRESTONE

Tire Model (Name or Number)

FR480

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)

P215/70R14

DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)

W2HY1MDS19

☐ Original Equipment☐ Prior Repair

Failure Location:

Tire Component Code

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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).

WHILE DRIVING 50 MPH A LOUD KNOCKING NOISE WAS HEARD FROM THE REAR. CONSUMER PULLED OVER, AND NOTICED THAT THE RIGHT PASSENGER SIDE TIRE TREAD SEPARATED FROM THE WHEEL. CONSUMER CALLED ROAD SIDE ASSISTANT TO CHANGE THE TIRE. FIRESTONE FR480, SIZE P215/70R14, DOT W2HY1MDS19. *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.

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

SUDDEN BLOW OUT AND TREAD SEPARATION. WHEN TREAD
CAME OFF IT HIT R/L FENDER AND RIGHT DOOR. 6-7 IN. DAMAGE.
LOOKED BUT COULD NOT FIND TREAD. HAVE SIDE WALLS. SENT TO
FIRESTONE. THEY SAID IT WAS RUN ON LOW TIRE PRESSURE, AND REFUSED
TO PAY ANY DAMAGES.

THESE TIRES (SET OF 4) WERE NEVER RUN LOW ON AIR. THEY HAD OVER
50% OF TREAD TREAD LEFT ON THEM.

I HAVE TWO AND THREE CANCASS - PHOTOS OF TIRE AND DAMAGE AND
ESTIMATE TO REPAIR BODY DAMAGE TO CAR.

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