



U.S. Department
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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 **STURGIS** State **KY** Zip Code ☐
Daytime Telephone Number ☐
Evening Telephone Number ☐
E-mail Address ☐

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 **8/17/04**

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side **JKSVNDC114A**
Make **KAWASAKI** Model **VN1800-A2** Model Year **2004**
Date Purchased **May 2004** Dealer's Name and Telephone Number **Herring Equipment Motorsports** Engine: **No. Cylinders 2** Fuel Type: ☐
Original Owner ☐ Dealer's City **Madisonville** State **KY** Zip Code **40343**
Transmission Type ☐ Antilock Brakes ☐ Powertrain ☐ Vehicle Component Code **106220 POWER TRAIN:AXLE ASSEMBLY:AXLE SHAFT:SEAL**
☐ Cruise Control Multiple Failure: **1**

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) **18 JUL-2004** Failure Mileage **2300** Failure Speed ☐

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make ☐ Tire Model (Name or Number) ☐ Tire Size (Example P215/85R15) ☐
DOT No. (Example: DOTM18A8C039) ☐ Original Equipment ☐ Failure Location: ☐
☐ Prior Repair
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 ☐ 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).

REAR SEALS ON THE WHEEL LEAKED. IT WAS DISCOVERED WHEN OIL WAS SEEN ON THE GROUND. VIBRATION INCREASED, AND A PASSENGER COULD NOT RIDE. MOTORCYCLE WAS TORN DOWN, AND DEALER WILL NOT REPAIR IT. DEALER INSISTED MOTORCYCLE WAS NOT REPAIRABLE. MANUFACTURER REFUSED TO REIMBURSE.*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)

Seals went out of Rear End & they were replaced if not caught in time could have very easily caused rear end to lock up & could have caused a wreck. Now there is so much vibration in the rear foot pegs that a passenger can not ride. They say that all the Marauder will vibrate. I have owned several motorcycles and none have vibrate even a to as much as this one. If they all do vibrate this much they will have a lot of unhappy customers. I have traded the bike off and lost about 3,000 dollars. It was for sure a lemon with all the trouble I had with it.

Thanks A lot

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