

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 AURORA State NY 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 owner's signature, please print the name and address of the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner _____ Date 9/11/04

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1MELM60U36A _____
Make MERCURY Model SABLE Model Year 1998

Date Purchased 03/24/00 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number 315-253-7253
Original Owner _____ Dealer's City _____ State NY Zip Code 13021
Engine: No. Cylinders 6 Fuel Type: _____

Transmission Type AUTOMATIC ☒ Antilock Brakes ☒ Cruise Control
Powertrain _____
Vehicle Component Code 022110 SUSPENSION: REAR: SPRINGS: COIL SPRINGS
Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 21-NOV-2001 Failure Mileage 86544 Failure Speed _____
Failure found during rotation of tires

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make _____ Tire Model (Name or Number) _____ Tire Size (Example P215/55R16)
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC038) ☐ 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).

While driving, the consumer heard a loud noise coming from the rear. The consumer took the vehicle to a mechanic for an inspection. The mechanic informed the consumer that the rear coil springs were broken and needed to be replaced. Please provide further details:
Failure was found when I was rotating tires. Car was taken to the mechanic. Both rear springs were broken at the top first coil. Springs and struts had to be replaced. This car was inspected by H&L Ford April 18, 2001. And again on April 18, 2001. I paid H&L \$544.62 on Nov. 15, 2001.

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.