



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 [REDACTED]
Address [REDACTED]
City SHELTON State WA Zip Code [REDACTED]

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, I WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date 8/12/05

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side 4M2DU86K53Z [REDACTED]		Make MERCURY	Model MOUNTAINEER	Model Year 2003
Date Purchased 03-OCT-03	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number GILLS AUTO CENTER 1-800-365-4096		Engine: No: Cylinders 6	Fuel Type: Gas
Original Owner ☒	Dealer's City SHELTON	State WA	Zip Code 98584	
Transmission Type AUTOMATIC	☒ Antilock Brakes ☒ Cruise Control	Powertrain 4 WHEEL DRIVE	Vehicle Component Code 110000 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM	
Multiple Failure: 2				

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 01-DEC-2003	Failure Mileage 0	Failure Speed	
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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: DOTM19ABC036)	☐ 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
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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).

DT: THE AUTOMATIC TIRE WARNING SYSTEM HAS NOT WORKED SINCE THE CONSUMER PURCHASED THE VEHICLE. HOWEVER, THERE WAS NO PROBLEM WITH THE TIRES. EVERY TIME HE TOOK IT TO THE DEALER THEY RECALIBRATED THE COMPUTER EVERY 3,000 MILES, BUT THIS HAS NOT IMPROVED THE CONDITION. WHEN HE CONTACTED THE MANUFACTURER THEY TELL HIM TO TAKE IT TO THE TIRE DEALER. THE TIRE DEALER REFERRED HIM BACK TO FORD BECAUSE IT WAS A PROBLEM WITH THE VEHICLE ITSELF. THE CONSUMER FELT THAT IT WAS A SAFETY ISSUE BECAUSE THE COMPUTER DID NOT WARN HIM IF THERE WAS A LOSS OF AIR PRESSURE IN ANY OF THE TIRES. THIS OCCURRED FIRST IN 12-2003, AND HAPPENED AGAIN WHEN THE CONSUMER HAD TAKEN A TRIP IN 5-2004, AND IT KEPT RECURRING. *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.