



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

Address

City

HURON

State OH

Zip Code

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle?
In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA will NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

☒ YES

☐ NO

Signature of Owner

Date 9/10/05

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

JHMVN365350

Make

HONDA

Model

ACCORD Hybrid

Model Year

2005

Date Purchased
08-AUG-05

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number
VICTORY HONDA 419-626-1061

Engine:

No. Cylinders 6

Fuel Type:

Gas
ELECTRIC

Original Owner
☒

Dealer's City
SANDUSKY

State
OH

Zip Code
44870

Transmission Type
AUTOMATIC

☒ Antilock Brakes
☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain

FRONT WHEEL DRIVE

Vehicle Component Code

198000 TIRES; TEMPORARY/EMERGENCY SPARE TIRE

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)
12-AUG-2005

Failure Mileage

Failure Speed

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make

Tire Model (Name or Number)

Tire Size (Example P216/85R15)

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(es).)

Crash

☐ Yes ☒ No

Fire

☐ Yes ☒ No

Number of Persons Injured

0

Number of Deaths

0

Reported to Police

N

Reactive Description of Incident(s), Crash(es), and Injury(es).

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 MANUFACTURE DID NOT INCLUDE A SPARE TIRE IN THE VEHICLE. INSTEAD THEY INCLUDED A CAN OF SEALANT IN PLACE OF THE SPARE. THE OWNER'S MANUAL STATED THAT THE SEALANT MAY NOT WORK IF THE PUNCTURE WAS LOCATED OUTSIDE THE TREAD, THE PUNCTURE WAS WIDER THAN ABOUT 3/16 OF AN INCH, IF THE WHEEL RIM WAS DAMAGED, OR IF THE TIRE SEALANT HAS EXPIRED. ALSO, OWNER'S MANUAL ON PAGE 230 INDICATED THAT IF THE CONSUMER USED THE SEALANT IT MAY MAKE THE TIRE WARRANTY INVALID. THE CONSUMER WAS CONCERNED BECAUSE HE FELT THAT THIS WAS AN INADEQUATE WAY OF REPAIRING THE TIRE. THE CONSUMER HAS NOT HAD THE PROBLEM AS OF YET. THE CONSUMER CONTACTED THE MANUFACTURER TO TRY TO GET THEM TO PURCHASE A SPARE TIRE, AND THEY WOULD NOT. THIS WAS ON 8-12-05, CASE NUMBER NC32005081200173. THE VEHICLE WAS HYBRID ELECTRIC THAT RAN ON GASOLINE OR ELECTRICITY. *AK IF THE TIRE CANNOT BE REPLACED BY A TEMPORARY SPARE OR REPAIRED AT POINT OF BREAKDOWN, THERE IS A POTENTIAL SAFETY PROBLEM. THE MANUFACTURER IS APPARENTLY WILLING TO FIX THIS. ALL 2005 HONDA ACCORD HYBRIDS ARE AT RISK. SEE ATTACHED COPY OF OWNER'S MANUAL, PAGE 230.

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.

Flat Tire Repair (U.S. Model)

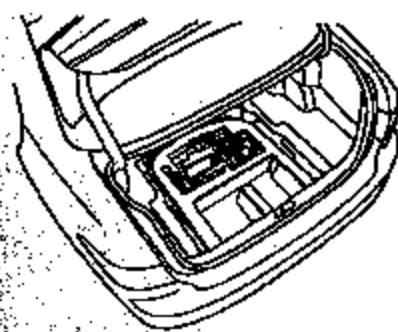
Your vehicle is not equipped with a spare tire. Instead, it has a flat tire repair kit that can allow you to temporarily repair a flat caused by a nail or other small item.

The tire repair kit may not work if:

- The puncture is located outside the tread,
- The puncture is wider than about 3/16ths of an inch (4 mm),
- The wheel rim is damaged,
- The tire sealant has expired.

Use of the sealant in the repair kit may void your tire warranty. Check with the tire manufacturer if you have any questions regarding the tire warranty.

How to Use the Tire Repair Kit

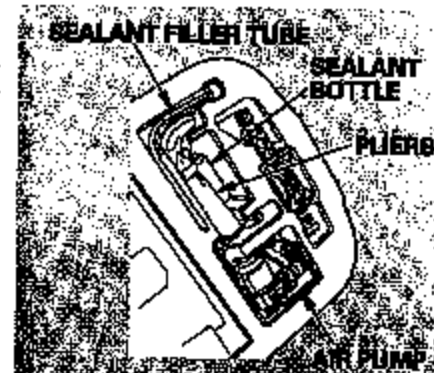


1. Make sure you have parked safely off the road, turned the ignition switch to OFF, and set the parking brake. Then, lift up the trunk floor to access the repair kit.



EXPIRATION DATE

2. Remove the sealant bottle, and check the label to be sure the sealant has not expired.



3. If the sealant has not expired, remove the sealant filler tube, the pliers, the air pump, the instruction sheet, and the small plastic bag stored under the sealant bottle, and place these items conveniently near the flat tire.