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DOT Auto Safety Hotline
Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire
To Report Vehicle Safety Defects
1-888-DASH-2-DOT 2005 OCT 18
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10136754

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name

Address

City WARRIOR

State AL

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 authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 1 / 1

VEHICLE INFORMATION

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

1FTYR1

Make

FORD

Model

RANGER

Model Year

1998

Date Purchased
18-MAR-02

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number
HALLMARK AUTO SALES 206-631-3383

Engine:

No: Cylinders 4

Fuel Type:

Gas

Original Owner

Dealer's City

MOUNT OLIVE

State

AL

Zip Code

35117

Transmission Type

MANUAL

☐ AntiLock Brakes

☐ Cruise Control

Powertrain

FRONT WHEEL DRIVE

REAR

Vehicle Component Code

191000 TIRES:TREAD/BELT

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)

05-AUG-2005

Failure Mileage

43000

Failure Speed

70

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make
FIRESTONE

Tire Model (Name or Number)
WILDERNESS

Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)
P205/75R14

DOT No. (Example: DOTM18A8C036)
W2KC1P2059

☒ Original Equipment
☐ Prior Repair

Failure Location: PASSENGER SIDE REAR

Tire Component Code

191000 TIRES:TREAD/BELT

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).

DT: THE CONSUMER STATED 1998, FOR RANGER HAD A TIRE SEPARATION FROM THE TREAD. THE LOCATION WAS THE RIGHT REAR TIRE. THIS HAPPENED WHILE DRIVING AT 70 MPH. THE CONSUMER HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH FIRESTONE. THE CONSUMER MAILED THE TIRE AND OTHER INFORMATION THAT THE MANUFACTURER REQUESTED. FIRESTONE DID THEIR OWN INVESTIGATION AND FOUND THAT IT WAS NOT THEIR FAULT, AND IT WAS NOT A DEFECT. THE TIRE WAS A FIRESTONE HT, P205/75R14. *AK

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-578) 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)

While driving down I-59 south about 19 miles from Spades, Alabama, the tread suddenly came off the tire fastest, cracking up. The tire was badly cracked when I removed it. I had the rest of these tires removed from my truck. Another tire from that set showed the rubber next to the belt was cracking and splitting. In other words down in the groove of the tread. The estimated damage to my truck was \$1600 to \$2400. The tire was a FIRESTONE WILDERNESS HT, P205/75R14 DOT No. W2KC1P2059

Firestone claimed moisture caused the problem. I haven't found anyone who has ever been agree with that theory.

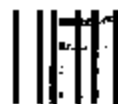
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