



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 TOMS RIVER State NJ 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 / /

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side		Make FORD	Model EXPEDITION	Model Year 1997
Date Purchased	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number		Engine: No: Cylinders	Fuel Type:
Original Owner ☐	Dealer's City	State	Zip Code	
Transmission Type AUTOMATIC	☐ Antilock Brakes ☒ Cruise Control	Powertrain	Vehicle Component Code 185000 VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL:CRUISE CONTROL	
Multiple Failure: 1				

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 17-OCT-2005	Failure Mileage	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 Y
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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 CONTACT'S SON OWNS A VEHICLE THAT WAS PARKED IN A HIGH SCHOOL PARKING LOT WHEN A FORD EXPEDITION CAUGHT ON FIRE AND CAUSED DAMAGE TO HER SON'S CAR. THIS HAPPENED ON 10-17-05. THE FIRE DEPT DETERMINED THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE WAS THE SCDS. ALSO, A POLICE REPORT WAS TAKEN. THIS WAS REPORTED TO CONTACT'S INSURANCE COMPANY. THE INSURANCE COMPANY STATED THE CONTACT NEVER RECEIVED A RECALL LETTER, THUS RELIEVING HIM OF ANY LIABILITY TO THE OTHER VEHICLES THAT WERE BURNED BECAUSE OF THIS INCIDENT. THE CONTACT'S SON DID NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT INSURANCE TO COVER THE DAMAGE DONE TO CONTACT'S VEHICLE. *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.

Dear Mr. Jimenez,

I am enclosing the police report of this tragedy. This fire occurred at High School East Parking lot at lunch time. It could have been worse. Five cars caught on fire. Luckily no one was hurt! or killed!

The owner of the Ford Expedition said he never received the recall notice from Ford. How many other Fords are out there that can explode or catch fire, when their owners haven't received this recall notice? The cause of fire was the speed stick which was the reason the Expedition was recalled for. See attached Police Report (narrative).

I hope you will check into this thoroughly. This vehicle is a menace to all the highways and roads. Next time, there children or anyone might not be that lucky. I would like a response from you.

Thank you
[REDACTED]

My son is [REDACTED], one of the cars that was involved. I tried to contact Ford, to complain, but they said only the owner can file a complaint. I think that's crazy. Consumer Affairs Ford don't want to know about this from a Concerned Citizen

OPERATIONS REPORT ***** DOVER TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPT, TOMS RIVER, N.J. 08754

D.T.P.D. REV. 07/20/94 LEPS 4112 POST# 8 TELETYPE# - N.C.I.C. ENTRY: Y ☒ REPORT#: 05-18316

INCIDENT:
MOTOR VEHICLE FIRE

REPORTING PERSON ☐ PRIMARY VICTIM ☒

NAME: [REDACTED]
STREET: [REDACTED] -APT#

CITY: Toms River N.J. STATE/ZIP CODE

REPORTED AT:	TIME	DAY	MONTH	DATE	YEAR
	0903	MON	10	17	05

D.O.B.: 05-24-67 AGE 38 SEX: m RACE: C SOC. SEC. NUMBER: [REDACTED]

OCCURRED FROM: - - - - -

BUSINESS PHONE: [REDACTED]

TO (AT) 0903 MON 10 17 05

BUSINESS NAME: -

LOCATION: HIGH SCHOOL EAST

STREET: -

CITY: - STATE/ZIP CODE

PERSONS CODES: REPORT, PERS., WITNESS, VICTIM, OWNER, PARENT/GUARDIAN, SUSPECT.

CODE ☒	N [REDACTED] ADDRESS [REDACTED] CITY: Toms River STATE/ZIP CODE N.J. [REDACTED]	
	HOMEPHONE: [REDACTED]	BUSINESSPHONE: [REDACTED]
	BUSINESS ADDRESS: [REDACTED] CITY: [REDACTED] STATE/ZIP CODE [REDACTED]	
	SOC. SEC. NUMBER: 148-84-5865	
D.O.B. 11-15-59 AGE 46 SEX: m RACE: - HT.: - WT.: - HAIR: 1- EYES: - COMPLEX: - BUILD: - FACIAL HAIR: -		

ADDED INFO: 1989 TOY CEL 2DR RED VIN- [REDACTED]

VEHICLE YEAR: 1997	MAKE: FORD	MODEL: EXP	COLOR(S): WHT	REGISTRATION: [REDACTED]	STATE: N.J.	VIN NUMBER: A54093
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NARRATIVE

ON MONDAY 10/17/05 AT 0903 A MOTOR VEHICLE FIRE WAS REPORTED IN THE T.R. HIGH SCHOOL EAST SENIOR PARKING LOT. THE FIRE BEGAN WITH THE FORD [REDACTED] AND THEN SPREAD TO THE 1989 TOYOTA [REDACTED]. FIVE OTHER VEHICLES HAD DAMAGE AS A RESULT OF THE FIRE. EAST DOVER FIRE COMPANY AND ISLAND HTS FIRE COMPANY RESPONDED TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE. OFFICER HARRINGTON #330, DETECTIVE MAGOVERN #213, DOVER TWP. FIRE PREVENTION AND O.C.P.D. ARSON UNIT ALSO RESPONDED.

- VICTIM VEHICLES:
1. 1997 FORD EXPEDITION WHITE VIN- [REDACTED] Toms River N.J. [REDACTED]
 2. 1989 TOYOTA CEL 2DR RED VIN- [REDACTED] Toms River N.J. [REDACTED]

NAME: Ptl. R. Crilly	BADGE#: 227	SUPERVISOR: [Signature]	DATE OF REPORT: 10-17-05
SIGNATURE: Ptl. R. Crilly		PAGE 1 OF 2	DIVISION: 7

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