



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  
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**OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)**

Name: [REDACTED]  
Address: [REDACTED]  
City: LAS CRUCES State: NM 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 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: 1HFSC46083A [REDACTED]  
Make: HONDA Model: VTX1800 Model Year: 2003

Date Purchased: 01-FEB-04 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number: DEMING CYCLE CENTER 1-800-626-3338  
Engine: No. Cylinders: 2 Fuel Type: Gas

Original Owner:  Dealer's City: DEMING State: NM Zip Code: [REDACTED]

Transmission Type: MANUAL  Antilock Brakes  Cruise Control   
Powertrain: REAR WHEEL DRIVE Vehicle Component Code: 126000 EXTERIOR LIGHTING:TURN SIGNAL  
Multiple Failure: 1

**FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION**

Incident Date(s): 12-JUN-2006 Failure Mileage: 2000 Failure Speed: [REDACTED]

**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: \_\_\_\_\_ 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 (e.g., parts repaired or replaced (and if old part is available)).

DOT: THE CONTACT STATED THE TURN SIGNAL INDICATOR IS LOCATED ON THE FUEL TANK AND DOES NOT INDICATE WHICH REAR TURN SIGNAL ILLUMINATES. THE SWITCH TO INITIATE THE TURN SIGNAL IS LOCATED ON THE LEFT HANDLE BAR AND ONCE ENGAGED RETURNS TO A NEUTRAL POSITION WHICH ALSO FAILS TO DEMONSTRATE WHICH TURN SIGNAL IS ENGAGED. ADDITIONALLY, THE STRUCTURE FRAME APPEARED UNEVEN AND PHYSICALLY FELT UNSTABLE WHILE DRIVING VARIOUS SPEEDS. THE MOTORCYCLE WAS INSPECTED BY A DEALER WHO DETERMINED THIS WAS THE DESIGN OF THE MOTORCYCLE AND COULD NOT DUPLICATE THE PROBLEMS. THE MANUFACTURER WAS ALERTED.

can't see on front signals in daytime you  
Honda sent me to the Honda Dealer in  
Las Cruces, NM. to have the frame and  
wheel alignment checked in a machine.

Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

The Privacy Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-502) 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.

One guy just sit on it and the other stood back an eye balled it!

**Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies)**

When I drive straight down the road  
it feels as if the front wheel is  
straight up and down and the rest  
of the motorcycle leans to the left  
I believe the frame is chocked causing  
the motorcycle to be unstable side to  
side. [REDACTED] 6-19-6

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