



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

EASTON

State PA

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
WVWMD63B23E

Make
VOLKSWAGEN

Model
PASSAT

Model Year
2003

Date Purchased
13-JUN-05

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:
No: Cylinders 4

Fuel Type:
Gas

Original Owner
☐

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type
AUTOMATIC

☒ Antilock Brakes
☒ Cruise Control

Powertrain
FRONT WHEEL DRIVE

Vehicle Component Code
125100 EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS: SWITCH

Multiple Failure: 1

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s)
25-NOV-2006

Failure Mileage
45285

Failure Speed
NA

Brake light switch

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 include 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

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 STATED WHILE STOPPED AT A STOP LIGHT, NONE OF THE BRAKE LIGHTS ON THE VEHICLE ILLUMINATED. THE VEHICLE WAS TAKEN TO A SERVICE DEALER, WHO WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF THE PROBLEM. THE MANUFACTURER WAS ALSO NOTIFIED. THERE WAS A NHTSA RECALL # 04V096000, WHICH PERTAINS TO THE BRAKE LIGHTS SWITCH. THE VEHICLE WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE RECALL DUE TO THE VIN. model of car.

A new brake light switch was put on the car on 11/28/06 at young's Volkswagen Sales & Service in Easton PA.

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.

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

- ① In June 2006 (unsure of exact date) tail lights stayed illuminated after turning the car off (headlights were not on). After restarting the car they went off.
- ② On Oct 11, 2006 I was tapped by a car at a stoplight. There was no damage but the elderly gentleman who was driving told me he didn't realize I had stopped - He made no mention that my lights did not work
- ③ On Nov 25, 2006 a driver stopped me to tell me I had no brake lights. No indicator on dash to warn me of this. They worked for a short time later that same evening. ^{ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY} They went on, on Sunday morning (Nov 26) a few times & stopped working again. I did not drive the car after Saturday evening until it was fixed.

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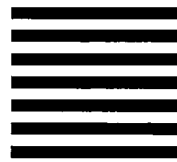


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has a safety defect?**



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