



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 [REDACTED]  
Address [REDACTED]  
City BOWIE State MD Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number [REDACTED] E-mail Address [REDACTED]  
Evening Telephone Number [REDACTED]

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  
1YVGF22D6 [REDACTED] Make MAZDA Model 626 Model Year 2002  
Date Purchased \_\_\_\_\_ Dealer's Name and Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Engine: No: Cylinders 6 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 103000 POWER TRAIN:AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION  
Multiple Failure: 1

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

Incident Date(s) 01-FEB-2007 Failure Mileage 70000 Failure Speed 25-35 TRANSMISSION

**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 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).

TL\*-THE CONTACT STATED THAT WHEN DRIVING THE 2002 MAZDA 626 AND TRYING TO ACCELERATE THE VEHICLE LOST THE ABILITY TO ACCELERATE. THE CONTACT STATED THAT WHEN THIS HAPPENED THERE WERE NO WARNINGS INDICATING PROBLEMS WITH THE TRANSMISSION. THE CONTACT HAD THE VEHICLE TOWED TO AN AUTO REPAIR SHOP, AND WAS ADVISED THAT THE TRANSMISSION HAD TO BE REPLACED. THE CURRENT AND FAILURE MILEAGE WERE BOTH 71,000. \*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.

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

AFTER EXPERIENCING THE PROBLEM WITH THE VEHICLE'S TRANSMISSION THE CAR WAS DEEMED TOO UNRELIABLE + TOO UNSAFE TO DRIVE BY A CERTIFIED AUTOMOBILE MECHANIC. UPON FURTHER RESEARCH I FOUND NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS FROM OTHER MAZDA 626 OWNERS. HONDA LIVED UP TO THEIR REPUTATION + GOOD BUSINESS SENSE TO ASSIST OWNERS ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY WITH TRANSMISSION PROBLEMS - MAZDA DID NOT!

DOT  
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400 7TH ST SW  
WASHINGTON DC 20590  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

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2x3

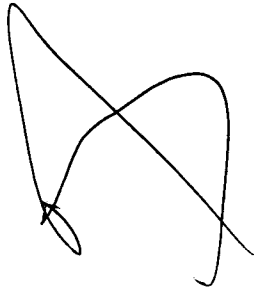
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400 7TH ST SW  
WASHINGTON DC 20077-8214



Think your vehicle  
has a safety defect?



If so:  
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form to file a report.

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