



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 NORMAN PARK State GA 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 authorized signature, provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.
Signature of Owner [REDACTED] Date 5/21/08

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: JM1NB353910 [REDACTED]
Make MAZDA Model MIATA Model Year 2001
Date Purchased 2001 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number RIVERSIDE METRO AUTO GROUP (951)643-5151 Engine: No: Cylinders 4 Fuel Type: GAS
Original Owner Dealer's City RIVERSIDE State CA Zip Code 92504
Transmission Type MANUAL Antilock Brakes Cruise Control Powertrain Vehicle Component Code 102000 POWER TRAIN:MANUAL TRANSMISSION
Multiple Failure: YES

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Incident Date(s) 16-NOV-2001 AND ONWARD.
Failure Mileage WHEN NEW
Failure Speed 0-10

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Make [REDACTED] Tire Model (Name or Number) [REDACTED] Tire Size (Example P215/65R15) [REDACTED]
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036) Original Equipment Prior Repair Failure Location: [REDACTED]
Tire Component Code [REDACTED] Tire Failure Type [REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE

Make: [REDACTED] Date Manufactured: [REDACTED] Model No./Name: [REDACTED]
Seat Type: [REDACTED] Installation System: [REDACTED]
Child Seat Component Code: [REDACTED] Failed Part: [REDACTED]

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 OWNS A 2001 MAZDA MIATA. WHILE ACCELERATING FROM A STOP, THE VEHICLE SHUDDERS AND STALLS. THE VEHICLE HAS A MANUAL TRANSMISSION AND THE FAILURE ONLY OCCURS WHILE IN FIRST GEAR AND WHEN THE ENGINE IS COLD. ONCE THE VEHICLE WARMS UP, THE FAILURE DOES NOT OCCUR AS OFTEN. THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS NEW AND CURRENT MILEAGE IS 60,400.

APPARENTLY THE CLUTCH IN ALL MAZDA MIATA CARS HAS THIS PROBLEM, AS THE INTERNET IS FULL OF PEOPLE COMPLAINING ABOUT IT. WHEN THE CLUTCH IS RELEASED IT CHATTERS AND SHUTTERS, AND OFTEN CAUSES THE ENGINE TO FAIL. THIS IS A SERIOUS HAZARD IN TRAFFIC. THE CLUTCH WILL SOMETIMES SLIP AT NORMAL OR HIGH SPEEDS. WITH THESE CLUTCHES, THIS CAR IS A TRAFFIC HAZARD.

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.