

DOT Auto Safety Hotline		FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 100148	
U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration		Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire To Report Vehicle Safety Defects 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236) INTERNET: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline	
OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)		Date Received: 26-FEB-2009 Repository: ☐ Reference No.: 10260028	
Name: [REDACTED]		Daytime Telephone Number: [REDACTED]	
Address: [REDACTED]		E-mail Address: [REDACTED]	
City: LIVERMORE	State: CA	Zip Code: [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: 1B7GL23Y3V [REDACTED]		Make: DODGE	Model: DAKOTA Model Year: 1997
Date Purchased:	Dealer's Name and Telephone Number:		Engine: No: Cylinders
Original Owner: ☐	Dealer's City:	State: Zip Code:	Fuel Type:
Transmission Type: ☐ Antilock Brakes ☐ Cruise Control	Powertrain:	Multiple Failure:	Incident Date(s): 14-JAN-2009
FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION			
Vehicle Component Codes: 190000 TIRES, 191000 TIRES: TREAD/BELT		Failure Mileage: 90408 22,658 on tire	Failure Speed: 65
ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE			
Tire Make: CONTINENTAL	Tire Model (Name or Number): CONTINENTAL	Tire Size (Example P215/65R15): 255/70R15	
DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036): ADM23M93102	☐ Original Equipment ☐ Prior Repair	Failure Location: DRIVER SIDE FRONT	
Tire Component Code: 191000 TIRES:TREAD/BELT		Tire Failure Type: TREAD SEPARATION	
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 OWNS A 1997 DODGE DAKOTA. THE VEHICLE HAS CONTINENTAL TIRES. WHILE DRIVING 65 MPH, THE TREAD FROM ONE OF THE TIRES BEGAN TO STRIKE THE DOOR AND FRONT FENDER OF THE VEHICLE BEFORE COMPLETELY SEPARATING FROM THE TIRE. THE REMAINDER OF THE TIRES REMAINED INFLATED. THE CONTACT DID NOT DRIVE OR ANY POTHOLES OR OTHER ROAD HAZARDS TO CAUSE THE FAILURE. HE TOOK THE TIRE BACK TO THE STORE FROM WHERE IT WAS PURCHASED AND WAS INFORMED THAT IT WAS DEFECTIVE. THE TIRE WAS REPLACED FOR FREE. THE TIRE SIZE, TIRE LINE, AND REMAINING TREAD DEPTH WERE UNKNOWN. THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 90,408.			
Tire had 22,658 miles on it. Three remaining matching tires still had 60% of original tread. Failure was complete tread of tire separation. Damage caused as tread separated. Continental tire has tire under claim.			
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.			

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Tire Purchased AT LES SCHWAB - TIRE MANUFACTURER IS
CONTINENTAL TIRE NORTH AMERICA, INC. LES SCHWAB LIVERMORE
CALIFORNIA 94530 MANAGER STATES TIRE WAS DEFECTIVE. CONTINENTAL
DENIES TIRE IS DEFECTIVE.

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