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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: RANCO SANTA FE State: CA Zip Code: [Redacted]

Daytime Telephone Number: [Redacted]
Evening Telephone Number: SAME
E-mail Address: [Redacted]

The information you provide will be used to identify potential safety-related defects. We may share your information with the applicable vehicle manufacturer during an investigation or recall in accordance with the routine uses described in the agency's Privacy Act notice. See 49 FR 53971 (Sep. 3, 2004).

VEHICLE INFORMATION

17 digit Vehicle Identification Number: 1G1YY36U575
Make: CHEVROLET Model: CORVETTE Model Year: 2007
Date Purchased: 10-6-06 Dealer's Name: GILROY CHEVROLET CADILLAC 408-842-9301
Engine: No. of Cylinders: 8 Fuel Type: GAS
Original Owner: Dealer's City: GILROY State: CA Zip Code: 95021
Transmission Type: AUTO Antilock Brakes: Cruise Control:
Multiple Failure: Incident Date(s): 01-AUG-2009

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Code: 150000 SEAT BELTS Failure Mileage: 25000 Failure Speed: 0

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 OWNS A 2007 CHEVROLET CORVETTE. WHEN THE SEAT BELT LOCKS DURING BRAKING, THE SEAT BELT WILL NOT RELEASE. THE VEHICLE HAS NOT BEEN DIAGNOSED BY THE DEALER. THE CURRENT AND FAILURE MILEAGES WERE 25,000. *NOTE I AM ORIGINAL OWNER BUT NOT ORIGINAL DRIVER. MY BROTHER DROVE IT FROM 7-31-09. I DROVE IT FOR 1ST TIME ON 8-1-09 AND HAD ONE SO CONTINUOUSLY FROM THAT DATE. ON 8-5-09 I DROVE IT INTO COUNTESS CHEV (SAN DIEGO) WITH BELT LOCKED AND THE SERVICE UNIT UP PERSON SAID TO BRING IT BACK AND LEAVE IT AND HE WOULD WORK HIS WITNESS THE PROBLEM. SAME PROBLEM ON OTHER REPORT ENCLOSED! WAS SEEN AT SAME CHEV DEALER*

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.

AND STATED THEY WOULD NOT DUPLICATE PROBLEM - ORIGINAL SERVICE ADVISOR STATED SEAT IS TOO FAR FORWARD - I AM SHORT 1.0 5'4" AND MUST HAVE SEAT FORWARD TO DRIVE CAR SAFELY

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

The driver seat belt has locked up on me at least 20 times since 8-1-09. Some times it engages and then unlocks with no problem. My brother who is 6' tall has never had it lock up on him in 2500 miles. A "short" mechanic at the dealership told me that this has happened to me numerous times during driving or corrections in car service. When it locks I can't move and have to undo the belt and have it retract and then put it on again. If I do this while driving it is very unsafe as is driving with it locked. ^{ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY} 8/19/09 it happened 7 times today. ^{see card marked 2} For my other belts with same problem

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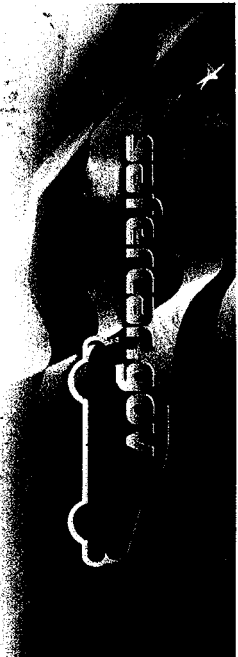


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