



U.S. Department
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National Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

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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

CHICO

State

CA

Zip Code

Daytime Telephone Number

Evening Telephone Number

E-mail Address

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 Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side

1GNEK13T51

Make

CHEVROLET

Model

TAHOE

Model Year

2001

Date Purchased

Dealer's Name and Telephone Number

Engine:

No: Cylinders

Fuel Type:

Original Owner

☐

Dealer's City

State

Zip Code

Transmission Type

☐ Antilock Brakes

Powertrain

Multiple Failure:

Incident Date(s)

01-NOV-2008

☐ Cruise Control

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Codes: 150000 SEAT BELTS, 152000 SEAT BELTS: REAR

Failure Mileage

122300

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

Number of Deaths

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 CHEVY TAHOE. THE REAR PASSENGER SEAT BELTS DO NOT RETRACT AND HAS CAUSED THE PASSENGERS TO SIT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE REAR SEAT TO USE THE LAP BELT. IN ORDER TO USE THE SEAT BELTS SHE HAS TO MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THEM WITH A SCREW DRIVER. THE CONTACT FEELS THIS IS A SAFETY ISSUE SINCE SOMEONE CAN BE INJURED DUE TO THE SEAT BELTS FAILURE. THE CURRENT MILEAGE WAS 122,350 AND THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 99,000.

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)

The rear shoulder strap seatbelts continue to jam / not retract. When they do retract it is very slowly. They are jamming every few uses, requiring that I un-thread the strap w/ needle nose pliers and a screwdriver. I am very concerned also that even when they are "working" and someone is buckled in will they respond correctly & safely during an impact accident?

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has a safety defect?**



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