 <p>U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration</p>		<p>DOT Auto Safety Hotline</p> <p>Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire To Report Vehicle Safety Defects- 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236) INTERNET:www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline</p>		<p>FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 100148</p>	
<p>Date Received AUG 23 2012 20-JUL-2012</p>		<p>Repository <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Reference No. 10466726</p>			
<p>OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)</p>					
<p>Name</p>		<p>Daytime Telephone Number</p>		<p>E-mail Address</p>	
<p>Address</p>		<p>Evening Telephone Number</p>			
<p>City ONEIDA</p>		<p>State WI</p>	<p>Zip Code</p>		
<p><i>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).</i></p>					
<p>VEHICLE INFORMATION</p>					
<p>17 digit Vehicle Identification Number Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side WWWVF71K18W</p>		<p>Make VOLKSWAGEN</p>	<p>Model GTI</p>	<p>Model Year 2008</p>	
<p>Date Purchased</p>	<p>Dealer's Name and Telephone Number</p>			<p>Engine: No: Cylinders</p>	<p>Fuel Type:</p>
<p>Original Owner <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Dealer's City</p>		<p>State</p>	<p>Zip Code</p>	
<p>Transmission Type</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Antilock Brakes</p>	<p>Powertrain</p>	<p>Multiple Failure:</p>		<p>Incident Date(s) 18-JUL-2012</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Cruise Control</p>					
<p>FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION</p>					
<p>Vehicle Component Code: 140000 AIR BAGS*</p>			<p>Failure Mileage 42000</p>	<p>Failure Speed</p>	
<p>ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE</p>					
<p>Tire Make</p>		<p>Tire Model (Name or Number)</p>		<p>Tire Size (Example P215/65R15)</p>	
<p>DOT No. (Example: DOTM19ABC036)</p>		<p><input type="checkbox"/> Original Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Prior Repair</p>	<p>Failure Location:</p>		
<p>Tire Component Code</p>			<p>Tire Failure Type:</p>		
<p>ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A CHILD SEAT FAILURE</p>					
<p>Make:</p>		<p>Date Manufactured:</p>		<p>Model No./Name:</p>	
<p>Seat Type:</p>		<p>Installation System:</p>			
<p>Child Seat Component Code:</p>		<p>Failed Part:</p>			
<p>APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION <i>(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and injury(ies).)</i></p>					
<p>Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>	<p>Number of Persons Injured 0</p>	<p>Number of Deaths 0</p>	<p>Reported to Police No</p>	
<p>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).</p>					
<p>TL* THE CONTACT OWNS A 2008 VOLKSWAGEN GTI. THE CONTACT STATED THAT THE AIR BAG LIGHT ILLUMINATED ON THE INSTRUMENT PANEL. THE CONTACT TOOK THE VEHICLE THE DEALER FOR INSPECTION WHERE THEY STATED THAT THE AIR BAG NEEDED TO BE REPLACED. THE VEHICLE WAS REPAIRED. THE MANUFACTURER WAS NOTIFIED BUT PROVIDED NO ASSISTANCE. THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 42,000.</p>					
<p>Include, if available: Police/Fire Department Report, Photos, and Repair Invoice. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.</p>					
<p>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 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.</p>					

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

Contacted Dealer who could not get us in to replace for three days, so we were driving a vehicle with no airbag protection. Contacted VW USA and they said it was past the warranty date by approx. 20 days. So there was nothing they would do. I explained this was a serious safety issue and that airbags should function for more than just 4 years!

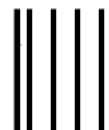
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