



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

# INFORMATION ACT (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. 552(B)(6)

**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 NORTH BROOKFIELD State MA Zip Code [REDACTED]

Daytime Telephone Number [REDACTED]  
Evening Telephone Number [REDACTED]  
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 Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side: 1FMCU9C78BK [REDACTED]  
Make FORD Model ESCAPE Model Year 2011  
Date Purchased 9/29/2015 Dealer's Name and Telephone Number Central Auto Sales 774-745-8800  
Original Owner ☐ Dealer's City Spencer, MA State MA Zip Code [REDACTED]  
Engine: No: Cylinders 4 Fuel Type: Gas  
Transmission Type automatic ☐ Antilock Brakes ☐ Cruise Control Powertrain Multiple Failure: airbag did not function properly Incident Date(s) 12-OCT-2016

## FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Vehicle Component Code: 180000 VEHICLE SPEED CONTROL Failure Mileage 77188 Failure Speed [REDACTED]

## 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: DOTM1A9A8C036) ☐ 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 1 Number of Deaths 0 Reported to Police ☒ Yes ☐ No UMass Police @ Memorial 508-334-1000

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 OWNED A 2011 FORD ESCAPE. WHILE STATIONARY, THE VEHICLE SUDDENLY EXPERIENCED UNINTENDED ACCELERATION AND CRASHED INTO A STONE WALL. THE DRIVER SUSTAINED A FRACTURED LEFT ARM, VARIOUS BODY BRUISES, RIGHT AND LEFT LEG INJURIES, AND FACIAL LACERATIONS. THE VEHICLE WAS DESTROYED AND TOWED. A POLICE REPORT WAS NOT FILED. THE CAUSE OF THE FAILURE WAS NOT DETERMINED. THE MANUFACTURER WAS NOTIFIED. THE FAILURE MILEAGE WAS 77,188.

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 Administration. 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.