

U.S. Department
of TransportationNational 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)

Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of this report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☒ YES ☐ NO
 in the absence of an authorized signature to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date

8/21/00

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN) (17 Digits)		(Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side)		Make	Model	Year
1FDLE40S1VHA23910				Fleetwood	Tioga	97
Purchased Date May 1997	Dealer's Name Reins			Engine Size (CID/DOC/L)	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☒ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection	
☒ New ☐ Used	Dealer's City Fairfax/Manassas			State VA	Zip Code	No. Cylinders 10
Manufacture Date (on driver's door or pillar) 12/96	Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☒ Automatic	Restraint System ☒ Driverside Air Bag ☒ Passengerside Air Bag ☐ 3-Point Belt	☐ Motorbolt ☒ 2-Point Belt shoulder harness	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No	Drivetrain ☐ Front ☒ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Utility ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☒ Other
				Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other		

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Part Name(s)	Location ☐ Left ☐ Front	☒ Right ☒ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☒ Original ☐ Replacement	Handicap Adaptive Equip ☐ Yes ☒ No
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TO BE COMPLETED WHEN REPORTING A TIRE FAILURE

Tire Brand Fire Stone	Tire Name STEEL TEX Radial R4/S-16	Complete Tire Size LT 225/75R16
No. of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) August 12, 2000	Failed Part(s) Available? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Mileage at Failure(s) 19,500	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 55-60 mph	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

APPLICABLE INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies). Attach photos if available.)

Crash ☐ Yes ☒ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Reported to Manufacturer ☒ Yes ☐ No
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Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies): I was driving in the far right lane of I-95 south. Suddenly there was a tremendous noise, the motorhome shook. I let off the gas, and maneuvered to the right shoulder, and came to a gradual stop. Upon inspection, the tire on the right rear inner tire had separated from the tire. It had beat against the mud flap almost taking that off as it was hanging by 1 screw. It had put a dent, split, in the underneath outside compartment (storage) that is directly behind the right rear dual tires.

Continue on back.

The Privacy Act of 1974 - Public Law 93-579 This information is requested pursuant to 49 U.S.C. Chapter 301. You are under no obligation to respond to this questionnaire. Your response may be used to assist NHTSA in determining whether a manufacturer should take appropriate action to correct a safety defect. If NHTSA proceeds with administration enforcement or litigation against a manufacturer, your response, or a statistical summary thereof, may be used in support of the agency's action.

Mail postage free or fax to 202-366-7882

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

There had been no problems until this incident. The vehicle has passed inspections and no indication of any unusual tire wear. There are 5 other tires plus the spare that are the same tire. My concern is when will the other tires have tread separation.

numbers on the tire are: LT 225/75R 16 M/S

25992 UR BD 99805-06

made in Canada

Tubeless radial

I have contacted Fleetwood to alert them. I also contacted the Firestone customer service #, and they took a report and are sending me a product liability form to complete.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

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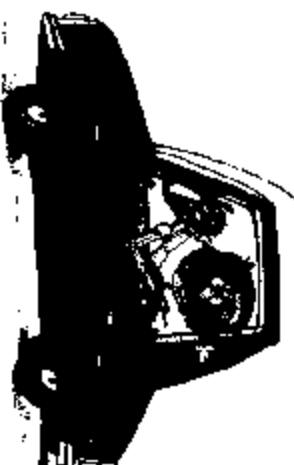
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