



U.S. Department of Transportation
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline
Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire
TO REPORT VEHICLE SAFETY DEFECTS
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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 authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner

Date 10/01/00

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN) (17 Digits) 1 F T E F 1 5 7 0 P N A 6 3 8 8 9		Make FORD	Model F-150 Truck	Year 1983
Purchased Date 09-26-83	Dealer's Name Bob Bell (had 3,458 miles when purchased)		Engine/Size (CID/OCL) 4.9	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☒ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection
☐ New ☒ Used	Dealer's City GLEN BURNIE	State MD	Zip Code 21060	No. Cylinders 6
Manufacture Date (on driver's door or pillar) 06/83	Transmission Type ☒ Manual ☐ Automatic	Restraint System ☐ Driverside Air Bag ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Passengerside Air Bag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ 3-Point Belt	Cruise Control ☐ Yes ☒ No	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) P-235/75R FIRESTONE TIRES 15XL	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ 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 FIRESTONE	Tire Name	Complete Tire Size P-235/75R-15XL
No. of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) July 6, 1998	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☒ No
Mileage at Failure(s) PROXIMATELY 30,000	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 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 NONE	Number of Fatalities NONE	Reported to Manufacturer ☐ Yes ☒ No
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Narrative Description of Incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and Injury(ies).

Two of the original Firestone tires that were mounted on wheels (spare and additional wheel purchased) had approximately 30,000 miles on tires. Put on front and used for 5 or 6 months. After driving about 150 miles at Hwy speeds a vibration started in front ends. Standard checked - looked OK. Continued to drive at Hwy speed and after 50 miles the tire on the right front losted its tread and damaged the inner fender well. The tread was completely gone, down to the cords, but the

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.

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Tire did not lose any air. Put spare tire on and continued driving. About 20 miles more the left front tire lost its tread down to the cords but did not lose any air. I continued to drive on to the nearest place to purchase two tires to replace the ones with tread separation. Did not keep the old tires or report this. I thought it may be the age of the tires even after checking tires and showed no signs of age or cracking etc. Replaced the tires with Accuflex, General SK/A on 7-6-93 in small town - Kinky North Carolina

Tires were Rotated, properly inflated (40psi) and no abnormal wear.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

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