



US Department
of Transportation
National 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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OFFICE OF DEFECTS INVESTIGATION

OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Name **[REDACTED]**
Street **[REDACTED]**
City **[REDACTED]**

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 person, please provide name or address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner **[REDACTED]**

Date **02/16/2001**

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Vehicle Identification No. (VIN.) (17 Digits) 1ZWFT61L645640198		Make Mercury	Model Cougar	Year 2000
Purchased Date 8/9/2000	Dealer's Name King Lincoln Mercury		Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 4	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection
☐ New ☐ Used	Dealer's City Jersey City	State NT	Zip Code 07305	No. Cylinders 6
Manufacture Date (on driver's door or pillar) 6/5/2000	Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☒ Automatic	Restraint System ☒ Driver's Air Bag ☐ Motorbelt ☒ Passenger's Air Bag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ 3-Point Belt	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No	Vehicle Type ☒ Car ☐ Sport Utility ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other
		Drive Train ☒ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Body Style ☒ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other	

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Part Name(s) Firestone Firehawk Tire	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 FIREHAWK GTA-2	Complete Tire Size P205/60R15
No. of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 2/9/2001	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☒ No
	Mileage at Failure(s) 9200	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0	

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).

While entering my vehicle on 2/9/2001, I notice a large bubble in the left sidewall. I called Firestone Bridgestone who gave me name of dealer to have inspect it. There was no failure while driving the vehicle but I was told that it would eventually fail in time.

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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