

U.S. Department
of TransportationNational Highway
Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ)

NATIONWIDE 1-888-DASH-2-DOT

1-888-327-4236

www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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Reference No.

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Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☐ YES ☐ NO
 In the absence of an authorization, NHTSA WILL NOT provide your name and address to the vehicle manufacturer.

Signature of Owner _____ Date ____/____/____

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (Listed at front of windshield or driver's side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1FALP6533WK131845	FORD	CONTOUR	1998	

Purchase Date 01-MAY-1997	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☒ Fuel Injection
☒ New ☐ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☒ Yes ☐ No	Restraint System ☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbell ☐ Driverside Airbag ☒ 2-Point Belt ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No	Drive Train ☒ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☒ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 02600000	Part Name(s) WHEELS	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures 3	Date(s) of Failure(s) 19-JAN-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 50107 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ Yes ☐ No

APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), Failure(s), Crash(es), and injury(ies) on the back of this form)

Crash ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

ON JANUARY 15, 2000 I HAD MY TIRES ROTATED ON MY 98 FORD CONTOUR AT A TIRE DEALER. THEY INFORMED ME THAT THE RIGHT REAR WHEEL ON MY CAR WAS CRACKED ALL THE WAY THROUGH AND WAS DANGEROUS TO DRIVE. THEY ADVISED THAT I TALK TO THE DEALER FROM WHICH I PURCHASED THIS CAR. ON JANUARY 19, 2000 I TOOK MY CAR INTO SUNSET FORD TO HAVE RECALL WORK DONE. AT THAT TIME I INFORMED THEM OF THE CRACKED WHEEL. THEY TOLD ME THAT WHEELS ARE NOT COVERED UNDER WARRANTY. I HAVE AN INVOICE FROM THE DEALER TO VERIFY THEIR POSITION. I LEFT THIS SAME CAR AT A REPAIR SHOP ON 5-1-00. THEY CALLED ME THE FOLLOWING DAY TO INFORM ME THAT 3 OF THE WHEELS ON THIS CAR ARE CRACKED ALL THE WAY THROUGH. I CONTACTED FORD AT THEIR CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS ON 5-3-00. THEY INFORMED ME THAT THEY

CONTINUED ON BACK (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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 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.