



U.S. Department of Transportation

National 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. 724769	

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) <small>(Listed at front of windshield or drivers side)</small> 1G1YY22G6W5130869	Vehicle Make CHEVROLET	Vehicle Model CORVETTE	Vehicle Year 1998	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date 01-MAY-2000	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) 350	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No. Cylinders _____	

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

Component 12240000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS:ACTIVE RESTRAINTS:BELT RETRACTORS	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
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No. of Failures 20	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) _____ Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION

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

Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

BOTH DRIVER AND PASSENGER SEAT BELT WEBBINGS OFTEN FOLD OVER WHILE RETRACTING. ONCE THE FOLDED WEBBING IS PULLED INTO RETRACTOR THE RETRACTOR JAMS. FURTHER USE OF SEATBELT IS IMPOSSIBLE. THIS IS DANGEROUS AND ILLEGAL. THE ENTIRE MOLDING MUST BE DISASSEMBLED EACH TIME TO GET THE BELT TO RELEASE AND BE USABLE AGAIN. THIS REQUIRES TOOLS AND .5 HOURS OF TIME. THIS HAS HAPPENED TO ME NO LESS THAN 20 TIMES IN A 2 MONTH PERIOD. WHEN PICKING MY DAUGHTER UP FROM SCHOOL THE RETRACTOR OFTEN JAMS FORCING HER TO NOT WEAR A SAFETY BELT. DEALER HAS BEEN NO HELP. GM HAS BEEN NO HELP. I HAVE A \$38000 CAR THAT IS BOTH DANGEROUS AND ILLEGAL TO DRIVE. SOMEONE PLEASE HELP, THIS IS A VERY COMMON OCCURENCE ON ALL 1997 AND UP CORVETTES AND GM KNOWS ABOUT IT. NHTSA DATA

CONTINUED ON BACK PLEASE

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.