

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 drivers side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
YV1LS555XT1318662	VOLVO	850	1996	

Purchase Date 01-APR-1996	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 06110000	Part Name(s) FUEL:FUEL TANK ASSEMBLY	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 24-JUL-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 77490 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 60	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)

UNDER NORMAL DRIVING CONDITIONS STARTED SMELLING FUEL INSIDE THE CAR. IT WAS DETERMINED TO BE A LEAK IN THE FUEL TANK. IT WAS LEAKING FROM THE SEAM OF THE FUEL TANK WHICH IS PLASTIC. THE LOCATION OF THE LEAK WAS NEXT TO WHERE THE EXHAUST PIPE RUNS. THIS, IN MY OPINION, COULD HAVE RESULTED IN A FIRE OR EXPLOSION. I FEEL LUCKY. WHEN THE FUEL TANK WAS REPLACED I DISCOVERED IT WAS REDESIGNED, THUS LEADING ME TO BELIEVE THIS WAS A KNOW PROBLEM TO VOLVO. I WAS ALSO REQUIRED TO REPLACE THE LEVEL SENSOR BECAUSE IT WAS NOT COMPATABLE WITH THE NEW DESIGN. I AM ALSO GOING TO BE CONTACTING VOLVO ABOUT THIS SITUATION.

CONTINUED ON BACK (RELEAS)

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.