

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) (located at front of windshield or driver's side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1FTYR10C7XPA25276	FORD TRUCK	RANGER	1999	

Purchase Date 01-MAR-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <u>2L</u>	☐ 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 02700000	Part Name(s) TIRES	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) <u>12-JUL-2000</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>18666</u> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) <u>65</u>	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 <u>0</u>	Number of Fatalities <u>0</u>	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

TIRE UNDERWENT COMPLETE SIDEWALL FALIURE, AND PARTIAL TREAD SEPERATION WHILE DRIVING AT NORMAL HIGHWAY SPEEDS. ENTIRE SIDEWALL OF TIRE SHREADED AND SEPERATED FROM TIRE, WHILE THERE WAS PARTIAL TREAD SEPERATION. OTHER THAN REPLACEMENT OF TIRE AND MINOR DAMAGE TO RIM, THERE WAS NO APPARENT DAMAGE TO VEHICLE, POSSIBLY DUE TO THE SLOW SPEED AT WHICH THE TRUCK WAS PROCEEDING AT. AFTER CONTACTING A LOCAL FORD DEALERSHIP(MULLINAX FORD, NOW RENAMED MAROONE FORD OF MARGATE), I WAS INFORMED THAT WHILE THERE WAS A RECALL ON FIRESTONE WILDERNESS 15" TIRES, THE TYPE ON MY TRUCK, WILDERNESS HT'S, WERE NOT COVERED BY THE RECALL, AND EVEN THOUGH I HAD AN EQUIPMENT FALIURE, I WOULD NOT GET REPLACEMENT TIRES FOR MY VEHICLE, NOR BE COMPENSATED FOR THE

CONTINUED ON BACK (REVERSE)

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.