



**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.  <b>729442</b>	

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> <b>1FALP52U0TA161877</b>	Vehicle Make <b>FORD</b>	Vehicle Model <b>TAURUS</b>	Vehicle Year <b>1996</b>	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date <b>01-APR-1997</b>	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <b>3.0L</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No. Cylinders _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Diesel
			<input type="checkbox"/> Gas
			<input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection

Transmission Type <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input 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 type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input checked="" 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 <b>05200000</b>	Par. Name(s) <b>ENGINE COOLING SYSTEM</b>	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Frnt <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
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No. of Failures	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)**

THE TEMPATURE GAUGE HAS BEEN RISING HIGH THE LAST TWO MONTHS, AND THE SEVICE ENGINE SOON LIGHT COMES ON FOR A FEW DAYS, GOES OFF ROR A SHORT TIME ONLY TO COME BACK ON.THE ONLY OTHER TIME THE GAUGE WENT THIS HIGH AND HIGHER IS WHEN THE WATER RESAVIOR CRACKED AND BUSTED. OUR CAR WAS STILL UNDER WARRANTY AT THE TIME, BUT FORD CLAIMED THIS PART WAS NOT COVERED.FORD COMPANY ALSO HAD A RECALL AUGUST 1997 TO INSTALL A BYPASS COOLING KIT. WHICH WE DID HAVE INSTALLED. TWO MONTHS AFTER MY WATER SYSTEM HAD BEEN FLUSHED BECAUSE OF GOOGED AND CORRODED COOLANT. THEY DID NOT TELL US AT THAT TIME, THAT BECAUSE THE SYSTEM WAS SO BAD THAT WE WOULD ALWAYS HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THIS VEHICAL. EVERY YEAR WE ARE HAVING PROBLEMS WITH THE COOLING SYSEM THAT SEEM TO A

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.