

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.

730539

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
1FALP45T3SF162309	FORD	MUSTANG	1995	

Purchase Date 01-JUN-1995	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <u>5.0L</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 02440000	Part Name(s) SUSPENSION:SINGLE AXLE:REAR:SWAY BAR	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) <u>31-JUL-1995</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>500</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)

THIS REPORTS A FAILURE WHICH OCCURRED VERY EARLY IN THE CAR OWNERSHIP, BUT WHICH ONLY RECENTLY CAME TO LIGHT. IT IS A REPORT OF A DEFECTIVE SWAY BAR WHICH APPARENTLY FRACTURED DURING THE FIRST MONTH OF OWNERSHIP CAUSING IMPROPER HANDLING AND CONTROL, ALONG WITH EXCESSIVE VIBRATION OF THE VEHICLE DURING THE ENSUING YEARS OF OWNERSHIP. THE OWNER DID NOT REALIZE THE SOURCE OF THIS IMPROPER PERFORMANCE UNTIL SOME TIME LATER WHEN THE FRACTURED SWAY BAR BROKE OFF ON ONE SIDE CAUSING A NOW NOTICEABLE RATTLING NOISE. HOWEVER, THIS NOISE ONLY OCCURRED AT SPEEDS OVER 30 MPH AND BUMPY ROAD SURFACE CONDITIONS. IT WAS ONLY AFTER THE SERVICE MANAGER HAD VISUALLY INSPECTED THE BREAK UPON REPLACEMENT OF THE SWAY BAR THAT A FRACTURE-BREAKING SEQUEN

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.