



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
  
National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration

Auto Safety Hotline

# Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

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Reference No.

738591

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

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| Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN):<br><small>(Located at bottom of dashboard on driver's side)</small><br><b>2FMDA5143TBB82496</b> | Vehicle Make<br><b>FORD TRUCK</b> | Vehicle Model<br><b>WINDSTAR</b> | Vehicle Year<br><b>1996</b> | Current Odometer Reading |
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| Purchase Date<br><b>01-SEP-2096</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input type="checkbox"/> Used | Dealer's Name _____<br>City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ | Engine Size<br>(CID/GAL) <b>3.8</b><br>No Cylinders _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo<br><input type="checkbox"/> Diesel<br><input type="checkbox"/> Gas<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection |
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| Transmission Type<br><input type="checkbox"/> Manual<br><input type="checkbox"/> Automatic | Antilock Brakes<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Restraint System<br><input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt<br><input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt<br><input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag | Cruise Control<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes<br><input type="checkbox"/> No | Drive Train<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front<br><input type="checkbox"/> Rear<br><input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel | Vehicle Type<br><input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Truck<br><input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | Body Style<br><input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door<br><input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door<br><input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
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## FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

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| Component<br><b>06150021<br/>12430001</b> | Part Name(s)<br><b>ENGINE GASKETS: VALVE COVER<br/>INTERIOR SYSTEMS: INSTRUMENT PANEL SPEEDOMETER CABLE</b>             | Location<br><input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right<br><input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear | Failed Part(s)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Original<br><input type="checkbox"/> Replacement |
| No. of Failures<br><b>1</b>               | Date(s) of Failure(s) <b>04-DEC-2099</b><br>Mileage at Failure(s) <b>71000</b><br>Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) <b>55</b> | Failed Part(s) Available?<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                                                    | NHTSA Previously Contacted?<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No     |

## APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION

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

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

**FORD HAS A HISTORY OF HEAD GASKET FAILURES ON THE 3.8 ENGINE FROM 1996 ON. ALSO  
SPEEDOMETER CABLE HEAD HAS WENT OUT FOR THE 2ND TIME! \*AK**

CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

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.