



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

Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
DC METRO AREA (202) 366-0123
INTERNET: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov>

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23-JAN-2001

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Reference No.

739802

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>(Located at bottom of dashboard on driver's side)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1FALP51U2TA263053	FORD	TAURUS	1996	

Purchase Date 01-JUN-2097 <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	Dealer's Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	Engine Size (CID/CCL) 3.0 No Cylinders _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection
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Transmission Type <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt	Cruise Control <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle	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 05200000	Part Name(s) ENGINE COOLING SYSTEM	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No. of Failures 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 07-OCT-2000 Mileage at Failure(s) 43227 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0	Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? <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.)

Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	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 COOLING SYSTEM FAILED WHILE I WAS WAITING IN LINE AT THE BANK, AND THREW OUT THE FREEZE PLUGS, I SURFED THE INTERNET TO SEE IF THE CAR HAD A RECALL AND FOUND OUT THAT IT DID AND THAT SEVERAL PEOPLE HAS HAD THE SAME PROBLEM AND WAS DENIED. THEY DENY HAVING A RECALL ON THE COOLING SYSTEM, WHICH REQUIRED A BYPASS KIT TO STOP THE CAR FROM RUNNING HOT. I ACTUALLY GOT THIS INFORMATION ON YOUR WEB SITE, I SHOWED THE RECALL PAPER TO THE DEALER AND THEY STILL DENIED IT, I HAD TO PAY FOR EXPENSIES OUT OF MY POCKET AND FOR THE RENTAL CAR. THE RECALL WAS IN 1997, I WAS TOLD THAT IF I DID NOT HAVE THE ORIGINAL RECALL PAPER THERE WAS NOTHING THEY COULD DO AND DENIED ME THE CLAIM. I HAD TO TAKE THE CAR BACK BECAUSE IT STILL WAS NOT HEATING AND WAS TOLD THAT I V

CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

The Privacy Act of 1974-Public Law 93-576 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.