



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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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) (Locate at bottom of windshield or driver's side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
3GNKG26J8XG121229	CHEVROLET TRUCK	SUBURBAN	1999	

Purchase Date 01-MAY-2098	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L 454CID	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☒ Fuel Injection
☒ New ☐ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

Transmission Type	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Control	Drive Train	Vehicle Type	Body Style
☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	☒ Yes ☐ No	☒ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ Front ☐ Rear ☒ 4-Wheel	☐ Car ☐ Sport Util ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other _____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 02740000	Part Name(s) TIRES: TREAD	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
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No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 04-MAR-2001 19063 Mileage at Failure(s) 65	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ 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 ☐ Yes ☐ No	Fire ☐ Yes ☒ No	Number of Persons Injured 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag ☐ Yes ☒ No	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

TIRE FAILURE RESULTED FROM TREAD SEPARATING IN ITS ENTIRETY FROM THE TIRE CARCASS. THIS WAS PRECEDED BY A BRIEF PERIOD OF HEAVY VIBRATION, FOLLOWED BY LOUD BANGING NOISES FROM THE FLAILING TREAD, AND FINALLY, WHEN THE TREAD SEPARATED, DEFLATOIN OF THE TIRE CARCASS. THERE ARE NO PUNTURE OR DAMAGE EVIDENT, AND THE REMAINS HAVE BEEN CHECKED BY BOTH A MICHELIN TIRE DEALER AND THE CHEVROLET (SELLING) DEALER. THERE IS NO HISTORY OF DAMAGE TO THIS OR ANY OF THE TIRES ON THE VEHICLE. TIRE PRESSURE WAS CHECKED APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THIS INCIDENT. INFLATION PRESSURES WERE USED ACCORDING TO THE MANUFACTURERS RANGE OF PRESSURES, AND WERE SET AT 50PSI FRONT AND 60PSI REAR. THE SPEED AT WHICH THE DESTRUCTIVE DELAMINATION OCCURRED WAS APPROXIMATELY 65MPH, AND

CONTINUE ON REVERSE

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