



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
4M2XV11T7YDJ13215	MERCURY TRUCK	VILLAGER	2000	

Purchase Date 01-AUG-2000	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 3.3L	☐ 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 ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☒ Yes ☐ No
	Drive Train ☒ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Util ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other _____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 06400000	Part Name(s) FUEL THROTTLE LINKAGES AND CONTROL	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ 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	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

ON TWO OCCASIONS, WHILE MY WIFE WAS DRIVING, THE ENGINE BEGAN TO RACE WITH NO WARNING, NEARLY CAUSING AN ACCIDENT. IN ONE CASE, A PEDESTRIAN WAS IN FRONT OF THE VEHICLE AND WOULD HAVE BEEN SEVERELY INJURED IF MY WIFE WAS UNABLE TO KEEP THE CAR UNDER CONTROL. IN BOTH CASES, THE EVENT OCCURRED WHILE SHE WAS MANUEVERING IN TIGHT CONFINES IN A PARKING LOT. THE ENGINE BEGAN TO RACE AND THE POWER STEERING REFUSES TO RESPOND. SHE HAD ALL SHE COULD DO WITH ALL HER STRENGTH TO KEEP THE CAR UNDER CONTROL BY EXTREME PRESSURE ON THE BRAKES. THE FIRST INCIDENT WAS REPORTED TO CONDIT FORD. THE SECOND JUST HAPPENED TODAY AND WILL BE REPORTED TO CONDIT FORD TOMORROW. THERE WAS NO INJURY TO ANYONE OR DAMAGE TO ANY PROPERTY IN THESE INCIDENTS BUT WE DO NOT WANT TO WAIT UNTIL THERE IS DAMAGE

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

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.