



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

Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire

NATIONWIDE 1-800-424-9393
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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
F15Y-LW-40774	FORD TRUCK	F150	1975	
Purchase Date 01-FEB-1975	Dealer's Name _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 360	☐ 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 01200000	Part Name(s) STEERING:GEAR BOX	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 2	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-JUN-1991 134000 Mileage at Failure(s) 0	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 Damag	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

ALL THE REPLACEMENT STEERING BOXES ARE ALSO WORN OUT. THAT WOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM BUT FORD DOESN'T SUPPLY THE PARTS AND SO FAR, IT SEEMS NO ONE ELSE DOES EITHER. REMANUFACTURERS OF THE STEERING BOXES DON'T HAVE ACCESS THE "OBSOLETE PARTS" EITHER. THE PART NUMBER THAT IS NEEDED FOR THE REPAIR TO THE TWO STEERING BOXES I HAVE IS C5AZ-3576-A, TWO OF THEM FOR EACH BOX. THIS IS AN INSIDIOUS DEFECT BEING IGNORED BY FORD AND F SERIES OWNERS ALIKE. AFTER DESCRIBING THE PROBLEM, THE USUAL RESPONSE INCLUDES "BRAGGING" ABOUT HOW LOOSE THEIR STEERING IS. :-) WHAT DO YOU THINK? THE ONLY PLAY IN MY STEERING SYSTEM IS IN A SIDE TO SIDE MOTION OF THE SECTOR SHAFT. THE TIEROD ENDS, KINGPIN BEARINGS, WHEEL BEARINGS, STEERING COLUMN UPPER AND LOWER BEARINGS, THE FLEX COUPLING A

CONTINUE ON 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.