



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
3FTSW31F2YMA41170	FORD TRUCK	F350	2000	

Purchase Date 01-APR-2000	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L <u>7.3L D</u>)	☐ 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 02740000	Part Name(s) TIRES:TREAD	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 16-JUL-2001 7200 Mileage at Failure(s) 55	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 5	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag _____	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

COMPLETE TREAD SEPARATION ON RIGHT FRONT TIRE. LUCKILY, NO ONE WAS INJURED. THERE WAS NO TRAILOR OR REAL LOAD IN THE BACK OF THE TRUCK. IT COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH WORSE IF IT HAPPENED 20 MINUTES LATER ON A TWISTY MOUNTAIN ROAD OR HAULING A LOAD. TIRE PRESSURE HAS BEEN RELIGIOUSLY CHECKED AT 72 PSI FOR ALL TIRES AND 48 HOURS BEFORE THIS TRIP. THESE TIRES HAVE NEVER BEEN OFF ROAD 4-WHEELING OR HEAVY TRAILOR TOWING. JUST FINISHED A 1,000 MILE TRIP TO HAMILTON, MT AND BACK TO OREM, UT OVER JULY 4TH. THERE WAS NO NOTICABLE WEAR, BUBBLES, OR BLEMISHES ON EXTERIOR OF ANY TIRES BEFORE THIS TRIP. ONLY NOTICABLE DAMAGE IS TO THE TIRE, SCRATCHES ON WHEEL RIM, AND SLIGHT SCUFFING ON FENDERS. THE WORST PART OF THIS IS THE ATTITUDE OF BOTH FORD AND FIRESTONE IN BLAMING ONE ANOTHER AND I

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