



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) <small>(Location at bottom of and/or above dashboard)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
3B3ES67C5ST526859	DODGE	NEON	1995	

Purchase Date 01-APR-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio
<input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____	No Cylinders _____	

Transmission Type <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic	Antilock Brakes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Bel	Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input 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 <input type="checkbox"/> 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 12411000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS: PASSENGER RESTRAINTS: AIR BAG: FRONT.	Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear	Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement
No of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured 1	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

: THE FIRST WEEK OF JUNE, MY SON WAS INVOLVED IN A ACCIDENT WHICH CAUSED THE AIR BAGS TO DEPLOY. BOTH BAGS DID DEPLOYED, BUT THE PASSENGER SIDE AIR BAG CAUGHT ON FIRE. FORTUNATELY NO ONE WAS IN THE PASSENGER SEAT, BUT THE FIRE WAS SEVERE ENOUGH TO CHAR THE SEAT. I CONTACTED THE MANUFACTURER AND THEY DID AN INVESTIGATION. IN A LETTER THEY SENT TO ME THEY SAY "OUR INSPECTION REVEALED THAT THE THRESHOLD FOR AIR BAG DEPLOYMENT WAS MET AND THE PROPER AIR BAG DEPLOYMENT DID OCCUR". I DON'T FEEL THAT A FIRE CAUSED BY AIR BAG DEPLOYMENT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED "PROPER DEPLOYMENT". IT HAS TAKEN ME OVER A MONTH TO GET THEM TO LOOK INTO THIS AND TO GET THIS KIND OF RESPONSE I FIND UPSETTING. DO YOU CONSIDER THIS AS "PROPER AIR BAG DEPLOYMENT"? I AM SENDING YOU THIS ON THE RECOMMEND

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.