



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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Reference No.

753003

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

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|--|---|---|--|---|---|--|
| Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) <small>(Location at bottom of and/or above windshield)</small> | Vehicle Make | Vehicle Model | Vehicle Year | Current Odometer Reading | | |
| 3GKGC26G41G271103 | GMC | YUKON | 2001 | | | |
| Purchase Date 01-MAY-2001 | Dealer's Name _____ | Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 6.1 L | <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injectio | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Motorbelt <input type="checkbox"/> Driverside Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Bel <input type="checkbox"/> Passengerside Airbag | Cruise Control <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Drive Train <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel | Vehicle Type <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | Body Style <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

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| Component 15902000 | Part Name(s) EQUIPMENT: OTHER PIECES: TRAILER HITCHES AND ATTACHME | Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear | Failed Part's <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement |
| No of Failure 1 | Date(s) of Failure(s) 25-SEP-2001 7000 Mileage at Failure(s) 60 | 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)

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|---|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Number of Persons Injured 0 | Number of Fatalities 0 | Estimated Property Damag | Reported to Polic <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

ON A RECENT TRIP TO CANADA IT WAS FOUND THAT FOUR(4) OF THE WELDS HOLDING THE SQUARE RECEIVER TO THE HORIZONTAL MEMBER WERE CRACKED, ONE WELD WAS OK. NOT BEING SATISFIED WITH THE WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION PERFORMANCE OF THE HITCH I HAD CONTACTED CAN-AM RV CENTER (TOWING SPECIALISTS) IN ONTARIO CANADA TO CHECK THE HITCH WHILE I WAS UP THERE. WHEN RAISING THE VEHICLE ON THE LIFT THEY FOUND FOUR CRACKED WELDS WHICH THEY REPAIRED AND ATTACHED SOME ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THE FRAME IN ORDER TO TRANSFER MORE WEIGHT TO THE FRONT AXLE. PRIOR TO THIS MODIFICATION I WAS REDUCING THE FRONT AXLE LOAD BY 600#, WHICH MADE THE FRONT END OF THE VEHICLE LIGHT. I BELIEVE THIS RECEIVER IS OVER RATED AND VERY DANGEROUS. THIS FACTORY RECEIVER IS RATED AT 12000# TRAILER WEIGHT AND 1500# TONGUE WEIGH

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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.