



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) (Location at bottom of windshield and driver's side door)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
2G4WB52K5X1520494	BUICK	REGAL	1999	

Purchase Date 01-APR-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 3800	☐ 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 12240000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS:ACTIVE RESTRAINTS:BELT RETRACTORS	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 6	Date(s) of Failure(s) 15-AUG-1999 Mileage at Failure(s) 9000 Vehicle Speed 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 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag 0	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WE HAVE HAD 6 INCIDENTS OF THE REAR SEAT BELT RETRACTORS LOCKING UP MAKING THEM UNUSABLE. THE FAILURES HAVE HAPPENED ON THE RIGHT AND LEFT SIDES. THIS LEAVES ONE OF OUR TWO CHILDREN USING THE CENTER LAP BELT, UNTIL REPAIRS CAN BE MADE. ONCE BOTH SHOULDER BELTS FAILED AT THE SAME TIME LEAVING US A SEATBELT SHORT. GM CLAIMS THIS IS THE ONLY BUICK IN CENTRAL IL. WITH THIS PROBLEM AND THEREFORE IT WILL COST APRX. 150.00 TO FIX EACH TIME. I FEEL THIS LEAVES MY CHILDREN AT RISK. THIS PROBLEM NEEDS ADDRESSED NATION WIDE AS I FEEL THIS MUST BE A DESIGN PROBLEM NOT JUST BAD LUCK.*AK

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.