



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) <small>(Location at bottom of and/or above dashboard)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading		
1MELM6533TK624664	MERCURY	MYSTIQUE	1996			
Purchase Date 01-JUN-1998	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 2.0 LI	<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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Restraint System <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Front <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Stationwagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 08420000	Part Name(s) ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:FUSE AND RECEPTICLE:CIRCUIT BREAKER	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) 10-DEC-2001	Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	NHTSA Previously <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Mileage at Failure(s) 69000		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 2		

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 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

I AM WRITING IN REGARDS TO MY 1996 MERCURY MYSTIQUE IN WHICH JUST HAD A FIRE. ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, 2001, AS I WAS DRIVING, SMOKE STARTECOME OUT OF BOTH EXITS WHERE MY REAR SEAT SHOULDER HARNESS SEATBELTS RELEASE. I IMMEDIATELY PULLED OVER AND RUN TO A BUSINESS FOR HELP. A GENTLEMAN SPRAYED SPRAYED THE FIRE EXTINGISHER INTO THE OPENING ON THE SIDE WALLS WHERE SMOKE WAS COMING OUT. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ARRIVED ALSO. THE FIREMAN CHECKED MY FUSE BUX AND FOUND A FUSE MELTED INTO THE BOX. MY EXTENDED WARRANTY - WESTERN GENERAL - SAYS THE PART BETWEEN THE SEAT AND PANEL WAS BENT MAKING WIRES TOUCH AND START A FIRE. THE DEALER WON'T ADMIT ANYTHING. THEY GUTTED THE WHOLE INS

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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.