



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) (Location at bottom of windshield and door hinge) 4A3AC44G9YE027736	Vehicle Make MITSUBISHI	Vehicle Model ECLIPSE	Vehicle Year 2000	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date 01-SEP-1999	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____	☐ 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 02611000 02700000 13100000	Part Name(s) WHEELS:RIM BASE TIRES STRUCTURE:FRAME:MEMBERS AND BODY	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 27-DEC-1999	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ No
	Mileage at Failure(s) 4000		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 35		

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)

I WAS FORCED OFF THE ROAD WHILE MAKING A TURN AT AN INTERSECTION, I STRUCK THE CURB WITH THE RIGHT FRONT WHEEL. THE IMPACT (AT A LOW RATE OF SPEED) BROKE THE RIM AND BLEW OUT THE TIRE. THERE WAS ALSO DAMAGE TO THE SUB FRAME THAT HAS LEAD TO ALIGNMENT ISSUES. AT THE TIME, I THOUGHT IT WAS A FREAK INCIDENT UNTIL I RECENTLY HEARD OF OTHER CASES INVOLVING RIMS. I HAD TO PAY FOR ALL TH REPAIRS OUT OF MY POCKET. THE DEALER DID NOT MENTION ANY PROBLEMS WITH THE WHEELS OR OFFER O LOOK INTO THE SITUATION. *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.