



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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08-MAY-2002

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Reference No.

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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 FORD TRUCK	Vehicle Model EXPLORER	Vehicle Year 2002	Current Odometer Reading
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Purchase Date 01-JAN-2002	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 06650000	Part Name(s) EXHAUST SYSTEM:CATALYTIC CONVERTER SYSTEM	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-JAN-2002	Failed Part(s) ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously ☐ Yes ☐ No
	Mileage at Failure(s) 1		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 0		

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)

THE CATALYTIC CONVERTER IS NOT FUNCTIONING PROPERLY AND IS PRODUCING A STRONG "ROTTEN EGG" SMELL. I AM WORRIED ABOUT THE TOXICITY AND GENERAL SAFETY OF THE FUMES BEING PRODUCED, NOT TO MENTION THE NAUSEATING EFFECT THE FUMES HAVE. THE LOCAL DEALERSHIP SAYS THAT THE FORD FIELD SERVICE ENGINEER DOES NOT HAVE A FIX AND THAT THIS IS A MAJOR PROBLEM WITH THE FORD EXPLORER. THE LOCAL DEALER ALSO STATES THAT THEY ARE BEGINNING TO RECEIVE COMPLAINTS FROM CROWN VICTORIA OWNERS. I PLAN TO RETURN THE VEHICLE TO THE MANUFACTURER USING MISSISSIPPI'S "LEMON LAW."**AK

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

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.