



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) <small>(Location at bottom of and/or above dashboard)</small>	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading		
1G3WS52K3WF362572	OLDSMOBILE	INTRIGUE	1998			
Purchase Date 01-JUL-2098	Dealer's Name _____	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) 3.8L	<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 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 01400000	Part Name(s) STEERING:GEAR:RACK AND PINION	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 100	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-MAY-2002	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) 79500		
	Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 30		

### 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Number of Persons Injured	Number of Fatalities	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)

ABOUT 1 MONTH AGO THE STEERING BEGAN BEING VERY DIFFICUT TO TURN TO THE LEFT. IT BEGINS FROM A PARKED POSITION AND CONTINUES AFTER THE CAR IS IN MOTION. IT IS AS THOUGH THE CAR DOES NOT HAVE POWER STEERING. IT ACTUALLY IS MORE DIFFICULT TO TURN LEFT THAN A STANDARD STEERING(NO POWER STEERING) VEHICLE. I WORRY ABOUT HAVING TO MAKE A SUDDEN LEFT TURN TO AVOID AN ACCIDENT, DEPENDING ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES, I MAY HAVE A PROBLEM. I HAVE NOT HAD ANY ACCIDENTS OR DRIVEN OVER ANY BUMPS OR HOLES THAT COULD CAUSE THIS PROBLEM. I HAVE NEVER SEEN A CAR BE THIS DIFFICULT TO STEER TO THE LEFT. I SAW A NEWSPAPER ARTICLE BY NEDRA PICKLER THAT PROMTED ME TO CHECK YOUR WEBSITE. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP WHAT I SHOULD D

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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.