



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)		Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1FMDU34X9RUB52407		FORD TRUCK	EXPLORER	1994	
Purchase Date	Dealer's Name _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L _____)	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection	
☐ New ☒ Used	City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____		No Cylinders _____		
Transmission Type	Antilock Brakes	Restraint System	Cruise Control	Drive Train	Vehicle Type
☐ Manual ☒ Automatic	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	☒ Yes ☐ No	☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	☐ 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 07300000	Part Name(s) POWER TRAIN:TRANSMISSION:AUTOMATIC	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failure	Dates of Failure(s) _____ Mileage at Failure(s) 82000 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	Number of Fatalities	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☐ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WHILE DRIVING GEAR JUMPED FROM PARK TO DRIVE AT A VERY RAPID SPEED. HOWEVER, AN ACCIDENT DID OCCUR. THERE WERE NO INJURIES. PLEASE PROVIDE ANY FURTHER.*AK

COPIES OF REPORTS ARE KEPT

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DOT Auto Safety Hotline		FOR AGENCY USE ONLY 1220	
U.S. Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration		Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOC) NATIONWIDE 1-888-DASH-2-DOT 1-888-327-4236 www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline	
OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print) Name: <u>JOHN T. [REDACTED]</u> Address: <u>[REDACTED]</u> City: <u>[REDACTED]</u> State: <u>[REDACTED]</u> Zip: <u>[REDACTED]</u>		Date Received: <u>15-FEB-2002</u> Reference No.: <u>8004149</u> Work Num: <u>[REDACTED]</u> Home Num: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	
Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☒ YES ☐ NO In the absence of an address to the vehicle manufacturer, _____ Signature of Owner: <u>[REDACTED]</u> Date: <u>3/22/02</u>			
VEHICLE INFORMATION			
Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) <u>1FMDU34X9RUB52407</u>	Vehicle Make <u>FORD TRUCK</u>	Vehicle Model <u>EXPLORER</u>	Vehicle Year <u>1994</u>
Purchase Date: _____ ☐ New ☒ Used		Dealer's Name: <u>Brotherston Cadillac</u> City: <u>Renton</u> State: <u>WA</u> Zip Code: <u>98056</u>	Engine Size (CID/CC/L): <u>4.0</u> No. Cylinders: <u>6</u> ☐ Turbo Diesel ☐ Gas Fuel Injection
Transmission Type: ☐ Manual ☒ Automatic Antilock Brakes: ☒ Yes ☐ No	Restraint System: ☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control: ☒ Yes ☐ No Drive Train: ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type: ☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult. Truck ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Van ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____ Body Style: ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up ☒ Truck
FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION			
Component <u>07300000</u>	Part Name(s) <u>POWER TRAIN: TRANSMISSION: AUTOMATIC</u>	Location: ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s): ☒ Original ☐ Replacement
No. of Failures <u>1</u>	Date(s) of Failure(s): <u>FEB 9 02</u> Mileage at Failure(s): <u>82600</u> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s): <u>APX 20 mph</u>	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: <u>0</u>	Number of Fatalities: <u>0</u> Estimated Property Damage: <u>2362.44</u>
		Reported to Police: ☐ Yes ☒ No	
NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES) <u>while parked</u> <u>WHILE DRIVING GEAR JUMPED FROM PARK TO DRIVE AT A VERY RAPID SPEED. HOWEVER, AN ACCIDENT DID OCCUR. THERE WERE NO INJURIES. PLEASE PROVIDE ANY FURTHER.*AK</u> <u>- 94 EXPLORER WAS IN PARK WITH BRAKE ON (PARKING).</u> <u>- I REVVED ENGINE TO 3000 RPM.</u> <u>- TRANSMISSION VIOLENTLY BANGED INTO DRIVE, LURCHED FORWARD AND RAN INTO A ROCK WALL, DRAGGING ME WITH IT.</u>			
CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED			
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INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

TIRE IDENTIFICATION NO.

DOT

MANUFACTURER/TIRE NAME

SIZE

The identification number consists of 7 to 10 letters and numerals following the letters DOT. It is usually located near the rim flange on the side opposite the whitewall or on either side of a blackwall tire.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

NO ONE WAS HURT, BUT 5 MIN EARLIER I WOULD HAVE BEEN RUN OVER OR CRUSHED AS MY BROTHER WAS REV-VING ENGINE AS I LISTENED IN FRONT OF VEHICLE.

I HAVE FOUND SEVERAL CASES OF UN-INTENDED MOVEMENT common to this transmission. THERE IS EVEN A REP

FORD (A4LD). I BELIEVE FORD KNOWS ABOUT THIS DEFECT. I ALSO HAVE FOUND EVIDENCE THAT THESE TRANSMISSIONS ARE STILL DEFECTIVE EVEN AFTER BEING REBUILT AS THE REAL PROBLEM (DEFECT) IS NOT DISCOVERED.

THIS TRANSMISSION (A4LD) IS DEFECTIVE AND HAS CAUSED PHYSICAL AND MONETARY INJURIES TO MANY PEOPLE

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