

U.S. Department
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Traffic Safety
Administration

DOT Auto Safety Hotline

Vehicle Owner's Questionnaire (VOQ)

NATIONWIDE 1-888-DASH-2-DOT

1-888-327-4236

www.nhtsa.dot.gov/hotline

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17-MAR-2000

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Reference No.

858754

 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) (Listed at front of windshield or drivers side)	Vehicle Make	Vehicle Model	Vehicle Year	Current Odometer Reading
1G6KS54YXWU908251	CADILLAC	SEVILLE	1998	

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 ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☐ Yes ☒ No	Restraint System ☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbell ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Belt ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☐ Yes ☒ No	Drive Train ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Ult ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____	Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☐ Other _____
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FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

Component 12240000	Part Name(s) INTERIOR SYSTEMS:ACTIVE RESTRAINTS:BELT RETRACTORS	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-JUL-1999 Mileage at Failure(s) 20000 Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) _____	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ 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 Damage	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

PASSENGER'S AND DRIVER'S SIDE SEAT BELTS WILL NOT RELEASE WHEN IN USE. CONTACTED DEALER WHO REPLACED THE SEAT BELTS. HOWEVER WAS NOT ABLE TO CORRECT THE PROBLEM DUE TO A DESIGN FLAW. *AK

CONTINUED ON BACK (REVERSE)

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print)

Work Number

Home Number

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☐ YES ☐ NO

Signature of Owner

Date 3/26/00

VEHICLE INFORMATION

Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side) 1G6K854YXWU908261	Vehicle Make CADILLAC	Vehicle Model SEVILLE	Vehicle Year 1998	Current Odometer Reading 28560
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Purchase Date 3-20-98	Dealer's Name <u>RENICK CADILLAC</u>	Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <u> </u>	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas
☒ New ☐ Used	City <u>Fullerton</u> State <u>CA</u> Zip Code <u> </u>	No Cylinders <u>8</u>	☒ Fuel Injection

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No of Failures 75-100	Date(s) of Failure(s) <u>01-JUL-1999</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>28000</u> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) <u> </u>	Failed Part(s) Available? ☐ Yes ☐ No	NHTSA Previously Contacted? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Fold to show Return Address (no stamp needed) Fasten with tape or staple and mail

INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

TIRE IDENTIFICATION NO.*

D O T

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)

Please Note: Seat belt will not release for use.

Not release when in use.

Your cover letter in the lower left corner says it all.

Spec: When seat belts don't function normally then my life is not in a safe position if the seat belt is not always useful.



P.S. I have sent the BBB copies of seat belt service from the Dealer (Denish Cadillac in Fullerton, CA) Hopefully they will forward a copy to the manufacturer.

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