

U.S. Department
of TransportationNational Highway
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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Reference No.

860355

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

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|--|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN.) <small>(located at bottom of windshield or driver's side)</small> | Vehicle Make | Vehicle Model | Vehicle Year | Current Odometer Reading |
| 1FAPP52S5WA126784 | FORD | TAURUS | 1998 | |

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|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Purchase Date | Dealer's Name _____ | Engine Size (CID/CCL) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Turbo <input type="checkbox"/> Diesel <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Injection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> New <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Used | City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ | No. Cylinders _____ | |

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|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|
| Transmission Type | Antilock Brakes | Restraint System | Cruise Control | Drive Train | Vehicle Type | Body Style |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manual <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Point Belt <input type="checkbox"/> Driver Side Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Passenger Side Airbag <input type="checkbox"/> Inflator <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Point Belt | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Rear <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Wheel | <input type="checkbox"/> Car <input type="checkbox"/> Van <input type="checkbox"/> Minivan <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Sport Util Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Motorcycle | <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Door <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Door <input type="checkbox"/> Station Wagon <input type="checkbox"/> Pick Up Truck <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION

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| Component 01410000 | Part Name(s) STEERING GEAR SHAFT LOWER FLEXIBLE PINION | Location <input type="checkbox"/> Left <input type="checkbox"/> Front <input type="checkbox"/> Right <input type="checkbox"/> Rear | Failed Part(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Replacement |
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| No. of Failures 0 | Date(s) of Failure(s) 01-MAR-1999 | Mileage at Failure(s) 50655 | Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) 2 | Failed Part(s) Available? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | NHTSA Previously Contacted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
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APPLICATION INCIDENT INFORMATION

(Please describe in detail the incident(s), failure(s), crash(es), and injury(ies) on the back of this form.)

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|--|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Crash <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | Number of Persons Injured 0 | Number of Fatalities 0 | Estimated Property Damage | Reported to Police <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

SHE WAS DRIVING OUT OF HER DRIVEWAY AND SHE HEARD A LOUD GRINDING NOISE WHEN SHE WAS TURNING HER VEHICLE TO THE RIGHT. SHE TOOK HER VEHICLE TO THE DEALERSHIP AND THEY TOLD HER STEERING RACKET PINION. THE DEALERSHIP FIXED IT THE FIRST TIME. THEN THE VEHICLE REPEATED THE SAME PROBLEM. THE CONSUMER FEEL LIKE THIS PROBLEM WITH THIS VEHICLE ISN'T SAME TO DRIVE.

CONTINUE ON BACK IF NEEDED

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.