

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

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Reference No.

874135

 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) _____ (located at front of windshield on drivers side)	Vehicle Make FIRESTONE	Vehicle Model STEEL TEX	Vehicle Year 1900	Current Odometer Reading
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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 02740000	Part Name(s) TIRES: TREAD	Location ☐ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☐ Rear	Failed Part(s) ☐ Original ☐ Replacement
No of Failures	Date(s) of Failure(s) <u>27-OCT-2000</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>16</u> 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)

ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT ON A 1997, COACHMAN RV, LT224/75R16 DOT#: VDIL. OUTSIDE LEFT REAR TREAD SEPARATED AT HIGHWAY SPEEDS, CAUSING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO VEHICLE.*AK

CONTINUED ON BACK (REVERSE)

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print) [REDACTED] 651746					
Do you authorize NHTSA to provide a copy of report to the manufacturer of your vehicle? ☒ YES ☐ NO In the absence of an authorized signature, please print name and address to the vehicle manufacturer. Signature of Owner <u>[REDACTED]</u> Date <u>11/7/00</u>					
VEHICLE INFORMATION					
Vehicle Ident. No. (VIN) (Located at bottom of windshield on driver's side) <u>1FDLE4069THA857992</u>		Vehicle Make <u>Coachmen</u> FIRESTONE		Vehicle Model <u>Leprachon</u> STEEL TEX	
Vehicle Year <u>1997</u> 1900		Current Odometer Reading <u>16,700</u>			
Purchase Date <u>9-17-96</u> ☒ New ☐ Used		Dealer's Name <u>Dandy RV Sales</u> City <u>Birmingham</u> State <u>Ala</u> Zip Code <u>35206</u>		Engine Size (CID/CC/L) <u>460</u> No Cylinders <u>8</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 Util ☐ 2-Door ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ 4-Door ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Stationwagon ☒ Other <u>Class C RV</u> ☒ Other <u>Pick Up Truck</u>	
FAILED COMPONENT(S)/PART(S) INFORMATION					
Component <u>02740000</u> Part Name(s) <u>TIRES:TREAD</u>		Location <u>Left</u> ☒ Left ☐ Right ☐ Front ☒ Rear		Failed Part(s) ☒ Original ☐ Replacement	
No of Failures <u>1</u>		Date(s) of Failure(s) <u>27-OCT-2000</u> Mileage at Failure(s) <u>16,562 (16,562)</u> Vehicle Speed at Failure(s) <u>60-65</u>		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 <u>None</u>	
Number of Fatalities <u>0</u>		Estimated Property Damage <u>To RV, \$1360+cost of New Tires</u>		Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No	
NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)					
ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT ON A 1997, COACHMAN RV, LT224/75R16 DOT#: VDIL. OUTSIDE LEFT REAR TREAD SEPARATED AT HIGHWAY SPEEDS, CAUSING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO VEHICLE. AK We left mobile Friday 11-27-00 and at Approx 43 miles North of mobile on Interstate 65 - at approximately 10 AM the complete tread with out any warning came off (we were traveling approx 60-65mph) and tore up underside (left) Behind rear dual and did damage to underside - making complete propane system inoperative and fresh water tank began to leak complete damage unknown at this time AS RV IS IN					
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INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURE(S) (IF APPLICABLE)

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MANUFACTURER/TIRE NAME
Firestone

SIZE 4 T
225X75R16

* 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. *MS*

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

the repair facility to get a complete list of damage. The outside rear left dual tire was the one that the tread came off of and when we got home we found the inside left rear dual was completely deflated and ruined. Reported this to Firestone & they dis-claimed any responsibility. 225 Tire is not yet on recall list.

Tire Info - Firestone steel Tex Radial R-7-S

LT 225 95 R16 m/s Load Range E

SN 917K R(008)151L 06029

DET V D I L 1 X A 455

First Estimate of R.V. Damage \$1360⁰⁰ - plus cost of 7 New Tires 755.14 - New set Tires Put on as we will Not go another mile on Firestone Tires - We ~~had~~ Bought Cooper Tires.

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