



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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Reference No.

897565

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) (Locate at bottom of windshield and door frame)		Vehicle Make FIRESTONE	Vehicle Model FIRESTONE	Vehicle Year 1900	Current Odometer Reading
Purchase Date ☐ New ☒ Used	Dealer's Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____		Engine Size (CID/CC/L) _____ No Cylinders _____	☐ Turbo ☐ Diesel ☐ Gas ☐ Fuel Injection	
Transmission Type ☐ Manual ☐ Automatic	Antilock Brakes ☐ Yes ☒ No	Restraint System ☐ 3-Point Belt ☐ Motorbelt ☐ Driverside Airbag ☐ 2-Point Bel ☐ Passengerside Airbag	Cruise Control ☐ Yes ☒ No	Drive Train ☐ Front ☐ Rear ☐ 4-Wheel	Vehicle Type ☐ Car ☐ Sport Utl ☐ Van ☐ Truck ☐ Minivan ☐ Motorcycle ☐ Other _____ Body Style ☐ 2-Door ☐ 4-Door ☐ Stationwagon ☐ Pick Up Truck ☒ Other _____

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 Failure 1	Date(s) of Failure(s) 10-OCT-2001 Mileage at Failure(s) 10000 50	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 0	Number of Fatalities 0	Estimated Property Damag	Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No
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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF FAILURE(S), INCIDENT(S), INJURY(IES)

WHILE TRAVELING APPROXIMATELY 50 MPH IN A 1985, CHEVROLET, ASTRO LEFT FRONT FIRESTONE TIRE, SIZE: P215/75R15, DOT: VDHFF3A146 EXPERIENCED TREAD SEPARATION. THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 10,000 MILES ON TIRE, AND IT WAS NOT ORIGINAL EQUIPMENT. PLEASE PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / ATTACHMENTS.*AK

COPIES OF THIS FORM ARE:

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.

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OWNER INFORMATION (Type or Print) Name <u>HESS</u> <u>719422</u> Address <u>DE 19860</u>					
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 <u>[REDACTED]</u> Date <u>10/2/01</u>					
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Number of Fatalities <u>0</u>		Estimated Property Damage		Reported to Police ☐ Yes ☒ No	
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INFORMATION ON TIRE FAILURES (IF APPLICABLE)

TIRE IDENTIFICATION NO.*

D	O	T	V	D	H	F	F	3	A	1	4	6	MANUFACTURER/TIRE NAME Firestone ATX	SIZE 215/75R15
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* 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 see enclosed form from Insurance adjuster to show damage done to vehicle as well as amount of tread left on tires. There are also photo's enclosed⁽²⁾ showing the tire + also rim damage.

The same day that I had my incident there was a recall on this same tire but different sizes. As you will see, there was a great deal of tread still on these tires + I feel that this size should also be recalled because it poses potential risk as well.

☆ U.S. G.P.O.: 1982-425-807/6008

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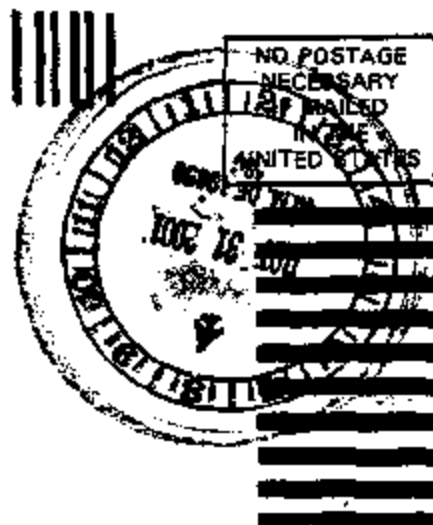
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