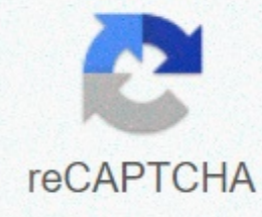




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The Ford Explorer was introduced in 1991 and immediately became America's top-selling sport utility vehicle, despite many of the new model's dental troubles. There were several reasons for the vehicle's popularity. For starters, Explorer had a brand new design, but its main competitors, the Chevrolet S10 blazer and GMC S15 Jimmy, were at that time nearly a decade old. And while all three brands offered for the first time four-door versions this year, Explorer was the most refined and carlike. This was in line with Ford's plan targeting with two body styles. The aim of the new four-door Explorer was to be family friendly and comfortable on the road - a modern opportunity to use a traditional car station. The shorter two-door Explorer, which replaces the Bronco II in Ford's truck lineup, courted a younger crowd more interested in the sport than the utility. Advertising The third factor was its just the right size. Many BEZV these days had body-on-frame models derived from a pickup truck. But Explorer showed less affinity with Ford's compact Ranger pickup than chevy/GMC models did to their pickup parents. Indeed, the four-door Explorer was something new: a midsize SUV, not a compact. The last reason Explorer's ready success was relatively weak foreign competition. The only other contenders of similar size and concept in 1991 - Isuzu Rodeo and Trooper, Jeep Cherokee, Nissan Pathfinder, Mitsubishi Montero and Toyota 4Runner - had much truckier ride and handling. They were also a little less spacious than the Explorer four-door. All this helped make the Ford Explorer not only a sales champ of its class, but also one of America's most popular vehicles. Although not always the best SUV design, performance or other features, the Explorer regularly finished among the top-10 vendors through 2000 - and often had five. Needless to say, Explorer became just as important to Ford Motor Company's bottom line as the full-size F-Series pickup line (America's top-selling vehicle of any kind since the 1980s). But nothing lasts forever, and Explorer lately has lost much of its sales luster in a market where truck-type SUVs are increasingly seen as an antiscopic backdrop for global warming, record gas prices, concerns about future energy supplies, and other troubling global realities. The sharp drop in Explorer sales is one of the reasons Ford Motor Company continues to post huge losses in the North American market - a record \$12.8 billion calendar in 2006 alone - and is now fighting for its very survival. This article traces the evolution of the Ford Explorer from its inception to the latest 2007 models. It has been divided by the vehicle's three design generations so far, starting in 1991. Each section begins with a description of the main design and engineering functions of that generation. It then discusses the relevant to Explorer for each model year during the generation. Each section also has a segment called Ford Explorer Reliability. It lists the vehicle's significant trouble spots, as reported by owners and mechanics, and includes problems covered by company-issued service bulletins. Each section ends with a segment called Ford Explorer Safety Recall. It provides a list of recalls issued by the U.S. government's National Road Safety Administration. There is much to know about the Ford Explorer. You will find it all on the pages that follow. Advice, reviews, photos, pricing, reliability problem spots, and even examples of used cars you're considering that are on sale in your area, check out: Get expert analysis of thousands of used cars over the past decade in the Consumer Guide's Used Car Reviews. You've found the vehicle you want to buy, but only a vehicle history report can tell you if the odometer is accurate, if it's received a safety recall repair, and a host of other essential information. The Ford Explorer is perennial between the Consumer Guide's Best Buy and recommended vehicles. Find out why, and learn about our other top new car values. Chris Hondros/Getty Images News/Getty Images If your Ford Explorer window fails to go down from the top position, chances are the problem is not to lie to the window governor; it's more likely to be a faulty switch. However, if the window goes down suddenly on its own, or does not come back up, however you hear a noise in the door, when you push the button up, perhaps you have a faulty window regulator. Open the door and carefully remove the door panel using a socket wrench to remove the fasteners in the door panel. Some fasteners are hidden behind small finishing panels, marked with a small screwdriver head-sized gaps, where the edges correspond to the door panel. Carefully pry these finishing panels off with a screwdriver to access the fasteners underneath. After removal, set the door panel so that somewhere safe do not damage it or it dirty. Check the window glass and the regulator inside the door. Use the flashlight to make everything clear if necessary. Check that the regulator is physically broken or no longer connected to the window glass. Slide the window glass up to the window canal and use the adhesive tape to set it up. Ing from the inside of the glass, above the top of the door, then down to the outside of the glass, making sure that at least 3 to 4 inches of tape sticks to the glass. If necessary, first clean the glass with a rag and a wiper. Unscrew the window regulator from inside the door and window glass using a socket set. Be sure to mark where it attaches to the re-fastening. Carefully remove the regulator from the door and check it. In some cases, the regulator may be assembled and reused, most likely it will be catastrophic failure. Ford Motor Company vendors don't offer spare parts for regulators nodes, so if you can't easily repair a failure without new parts, replacing the entire unit will be your only choice. Reinstall the regulator if you were able to repair it, or install the backup unit in reverse order as you removed it. Remove the packing tape and turn the key to the execution position. Check that the window moves freely up and down. Reinstall the door panel. Repairing the Ford Explorer headliner is easier with the fact that removal from the vehicle is not difficult. The only way to repair possible without changing the headliner fabric is to adjust how the fabric sits on the headliner to prevent sagging. Replace any torn or damaged cloth with a new headliner cloth. Once you removed the headliner from the vehicle, the rest of the repair is just as easy. Find the plastic circular pieces by holding the headliner in place. Pop out the pieces of plastic and set them aside. Unscrew the screws under the plastic circles. Insert the screws into a small container. Remove the screws while holding the sun screens, seat belt holders and gripping handles. Set aside parts and screws. Remove the screws while holding the dome light in place. Remove the side trim pieces while keeping the headliner up. Each piece of finish has metal or plastic clips unhook and a small screw holding the finishing piece in place. Let the headliner board drop and pull it out of the vehicle. Pull the headliner cloth away from the vehicle. Wash the cloth in the washing machine and allow it to dry. Check the headliner for signs of damage. If there are burns headliner, then you should replace the cloth. However, if sagging was the only problem, you can easily fix the problem. Place the headliner on a flat surface. Spray the headliner with spray glue. Fold the headliner fabric in half. Place the fabric in the middle of the headliner board in the middle. Carefully lay the fabric flat over the headliner board. Carefully align the fabric on the edges of the hand. Rub your hand quickly on everyone and back over the fabric when you have it in the right place. This will help the fabric to cling to glue and remove all air bubbles. It will also prevent the fabric from sagging in the future. Let the glue dry for 24 hours, then replace the headliner back in the car back to the car back steps used to remove it. Last month, we talked about some background issues related to the Firestone tyre situation. We know that some Firestone Wilderness tires, which were installed mainly in Ford Explorers over the last 10 years, have experienced tread separation with higher than normal. As it is written in late October, no one yet knows why these Firestones are failing. For those of us who have experienced tyre failures, is an even more interesting question. Why are so many of these explorers crashing after they maintain one of these tread separations? This is interesting because during our countless miles on public roads, test tracks, and race tracks, many of us on the staff have also experienced tire failures. We've also suffered broken wheels and had complete tire and wheel sets fall off. These incidents have taken place in different vehicles, and sometimes at very high speeds, but we have never had any problems with maintaining control. Control is key here because of the fatal accidents involving Firestone tires mounted on the explores are, most are involved in rollovers. And most of these rollovers occurred after the vehicle left the pavement. If you keep control of your vehicle, however, why would you leave the pavement? In our many tire and wheel failures, our vehicles have never left the pavement. Is there anything about the Ford Explorer that somehow makes it unstable during tread separation? We decided to take the test to find out. Our first step was to buy a suitable test mule. We found the '94 five-door, four-wheel drive Explorer XLT at C&S Auto Sales, a tiny used car lot in Redford, Michigan, about 30 miles from our office. The ad said XLT had 125,000 miles to it. Odometer reads 37,273. Regardless of the true mileage, it was clearly a well-used Explorer. But it was a shiny blue color, drove down the road pretty well, had four brand new Goodyear XL/T tires, and was listed for only \$3,800. We're not even bony. Then we had a roll cage and competitive seat belts installed at Big Sky Motorsports near the Detroit Metro airport. Then we got a test platform that would allow us to dump, virtually instantly, air from one of the Explorer tires on our team. Triggering tread separation would be a more realistic simulation, but we couldn't figure out how to make the tread peel off the tires at the moment of our choice. In addition, accident reports have confirmed that in many of these tread separation incidents, tyres have remained inflated even after the treads have left. Clearly, the remaining rubber donut is less durable than an intact tire, but such an inflated carcass means that the vehicle remains almost completely balanced and level. We believed that with a completely deflated tire that would allow the corner on which it was mounted to sag about six inches, we would create a condition that was much more destabilizing than just tread separation. Therefore, we installed the platform for our test investigator in the left rear wheel position (statistically most likely the observed separation position). It begins with a modified Explorer wheel with three one-inch holes in the middle of the rim resulting in three short lengths of welded-on pipes. By using short hose lengths, we connect the pipes of this pipe diaphragm valve protruding from the wheel. From the outside, this valve was a swivel assembly, associated with air creep from the explorer interior. This content is created and maintained by a third party and is imported to this page to help users provide their e-mail addresses. You can find more information about this and similar content piano.io piano.io

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