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### Toyota Tundra

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It's one ugly truck all right. Problem is, it can be a little uglier than the buyer expects. Tundra is one of the models that is putting a pretty big blemish on Toyota's reputation for quality, reliability and customer service.

Biggest problem? The brakes. A design oversight can cause the front rotors to warp and wear prematurely. Toyota's response has been to keep quiet and hope the problem goes away. Not likely.

Here are some of the more recent complaints:

Lee of Monroe , LA August 30, 2009

I purchased my 2001 toyota tundra used with 14,000 miles in 2004. At around 50,000 miles I started noticing a slight shimmying in the steering wheel when I applied the brakes. The shimmying became more noticeable to the point that my hand would shake back and forth enough that I would grab the steering wheel with both hands,I guess I was just trying to hang on until the vehicle stopped or I let off the brake. I took the truck to a local auto repair shop where they turned the front rotors and replaced the pads. I drove off, no problems, brakes good.

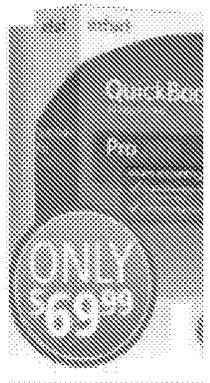
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I now have 95,000 miles and the same problem is back again. That's where I am right now.

### █ of Owens Cross Roads, AL July 27, 2009

I bought a 2007 Tundra. Loaded. Nice truck. At 10K miles the front end would shake your teeth out when braking. I had Bill P look at it and they turned the rotors. Seemed like no big deal. Now at 20K miles it is SHAKING AGAIN. I take it back. They tell me that "it is the way I'm driving and that I don't know how to drive and brake a truck and it needs NEW front and possibly rear rotors". They said since it was the way I was driving that I would have to pay for this. It was right at 1000.00 I was not very nice and I informed them that a 42K truck should not be wearing out brake equipment that fast. I do not pull anything, I don't race it, it has never been off road.

After I spent 30 minutes on the phone with █ telling me that I can't drive. I asked for the main Toyota number. They said they would give it to me but they never called back. I looked it up on the web and called. I complained and they assigned a "case manager". I called Bill P back and told them this and they said that they would replace the front rotors and turn the back but I would have to pay for the pads. I paid 150.00 to put new pads on a truck with 20K miles on it.

There is a PROBLEM with the brakes on the Toyota Tundra. When my truck was in the shop I had a rental Tundra and guess what...it would shake you to death. I hope Toyota will fix this before someone gets hurt. This is really ridiculous. What about those Toyota commercials bragging on the brakes? Oh, they broke one of my calipers when they were working on it...at least they paid for this.

### █ of Olathe, KS July 10, 2009

2002 Toyota Tundra front brakes cause a serious vibration when applied. I service the vehicle, most everything including brake work. I find out after the milage stipulation has been passed that Toyota has issued a technical service bulletin recommending that if a customer comes in before the milage cutoff that the brakes (rotors, calipers, etc) should be upgraded due to excessive warping caused by under-engineering. The Toyota Customer Assistance Center stated that they do not send out the notices to owners or those who have purchased factory service manuals. Only dealers get the notices. How is an independent shop or owner to know if there is a problem with an important part of the vehicle?

### Mark of Desert Hot Springs, CA June 13, 2009

The seat belts in my 2005 Toyota Tundra won't retract when not in use. The vehicle only has 38,000 miles on it. I took it to the dealer for inspection and they called the Toyota District FPM to

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