**Models:** Ford Mustang Cobra **Years:** 1999 - 2000

Ford Mustang Cobra R **Year:** 2000

**Number Involved:** 8,100

**Dates of Manufacture:** November 1998 - August 2000

**Defect:** If the ball joint assembly where the lower control arm attaches in the rear knuckle on certain cars moves forward or backward from its installed position, greater stress will be placed on the knuckle casting. If this occurs, the casting could fracture, allowing the corner of the vehicle to drop, and the lower control arm could contact the inside of the rear wheel. In some cases, steering of the vehicle could be reduced.

**Remedy:** Dealers will replace both rear suspension knuckles. The manufacturer has reported that owner notification began on April 19, 2001. Owners who do not receive the free remedy within a reasonable time should contact Ford at 1-800-392-3673.

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