

When Your World Rides With You...

A GUIDE TO PROTECTING YOUR KIDS WITH CHILD SAFETY SEATS AND SEAT BELTS

GUIDELINES FOR BEST PROTECTING CHILD PASSENGERS

For details on the law, visit www.carseatscolorado.com.

SEAT	AGE	WEIGHT/ HEIGHT	Correct Use
 Rear-Facing Child Safety Seats	NEWBORN TO 1 YEAR (Safest: Rear-facing until at least 2 years)	Up to 20 or 30 pounds (depending on manufacturer limit)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infant carrier seat: Rear-facing only.
 Forward-Facing Child Safety Seats	AT LEAST 1 YEAR	Up to 30 to 45 pounds (depending on manufacturer limit)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convertible car seat: Use as rear-facing seat until the maximum weight indicated, even if the child is older than 1 year.
 Booster Child Safety Seats	4 TO 8 YEARS	20 to 40+ pounds (depending on manufacturer limit)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convertible or combination car seats: Use as forward-facing seats up to the maximum weight limit of the harness, at least 40 pounds.
 Lap and Shoulder Seat Belts	4 TO 8 YEARS	More than 40 pounds/ Less than 57 inches (4'9")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the booster seat along with the lap and shoulder belt. • Combination car seat: Remove the harness when using like a booster seat and use with lap and shoulder belt.
 Lap and Shoulder Seat Belts	OLDER THAN 8 YEARS	More than 57 inches (4'9")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the lap and shoulder seat belt. • Your child should be able to stay seated as follows for the entire trip: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Seat belt across the shoulder area and the middle part of the chest – Lap belt as low as possible, across the thigh and hip area, not the stomach. – Back against the seat. – Knees bent comfortably at the edge of the seat. – All children under age 13 should ride in the back seat.

All restraints should be installed and fitted according to the manufacturer's instructions. These guidelines fall within requirements of Colorado's child passenger safety laws. For details on the law, visit www.carseatscolorado.com

SIZE MATTERS MOST

Safety restraint systems are developed to protect an individual based on their size, not their age. Rely on matching your child's weight and height to determine the appropriate seat restraint, even if their age meets the minimum criteria for the next safety system. Using a restraint that doesn't fit your child will compromise your child's safety.

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