Rear-Facing Car Seats
Newborn until max weight or height limit is reached.

Your child’s head should be at least 1 inch from the top of the car seat.

The chest clip should be at arm pit level. Harness straps must be at or BELOW shoulders.

Tighten harness straps so no material can be pinched at shoulder.

NEVER use a seat past its expiration date.

If your child outgrows the car seat before 2 years, install a convertible seat to remain rear-facing as long as possible.

Avoid bulky coats and thick clothing to keep straps as snug as possible. Use a blanket if needed.

Never attach toys to car seat. Mirrors attached to the back seat can also be dangerous in a vehicle crash.

Check car seat level for proper positions. Check label for height and weight limits and expiration date.

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Forward-Facing Car Seats
Children who have outgrown rear facing requirements.

- Attach the top tether after the car seat is installed.
- Harness straps must be at or ABOVE your child’s shoulders.
- Your child’s head should be at least 1” from the top of the car seat.
- Install the car seat using the seat belt OR lower anchors. Not both!

NEVER use a seat past its expiration date.

- Never add padding to or around straps unless it comes with the car seat.
- Check the car seat for max height or weight recommendations in order to know when to move your child to the next stage.
- Know the history of the car seat. Purchasing a used car seat is NOT recommended.
- Stop using lower anchors when combined weight of child and car seat is over 65lbs.

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Booster Seats

Children who have outgrown forward facing requirements.

A booster seat properly positions the seatbelt on the child and reduces chance of injury by 45%

Use a booster seat with the vehicle lap AND shoulder safety belts. Do not place the shoulder belt under the child’s arm or behind the child’s back.

The lap belt should fit low across the hips and the shoulder belt across the shoulder.

Kids need to use a booster until they are at least 4 ft 9 in tall and weigh between 80 & 100 pounds. For most kids, they will be between ages 8 to 12.

- Check the car seat for max height or weight recommendations in order to know when to move your child to the next stage.
- Know the history of the car seat.
- Purchasing a used car seat is NOT recommended.
- NEVER use a seat past its expiration date.

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Seat Belts

Children age 8 AND 80 lbs. AND taller than 4’9”

STAGE 4

Shoulder belt rests at shoulder and across chest. Lap belt fits across upper thighs and hips.

Seat belts should be worn by EVERYONE in the vehicle.

Children should always use lap and shoulder belts.

Seat belts save about 13,000 lives a year. Buckle up every single ride!

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