

Child Car Seats

Over One Year

Types of forward-facing child car seats



Infant/child seat (Convertible)

- Can be used rear-facing and then converted to forward-facing when the child is the appropriate age and weight
- Has forward-facing weight limits that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 29.5 kg (65 lb.)
- Has harness straps to secure the child
- Must use a tether strap for forward-facing with harness straps



Infant/child/booster seat (Three-In-One)

- Can be used rear or forward-facing with harness straps
- Has forward-facing weight limits that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 29.5 kg (65 lb.) with harness straps
- Must use a tether strap for forward-facing with harness straps
- Can be used as a booster seat with a lap/shoulder seat belt



Child/booster seat (Combination)

- Used forward facing only
- Can be used forward-facing with harness and as a booster seat without harness
- Has weight limits for use with the harness straps that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 29.5 kg (65 lb.)
- Must use a tether strap when used forward-facing with harness straps
- Can be used as a booster seat with lap/shoulder seat belt

Forward-facing child car seats are for children:

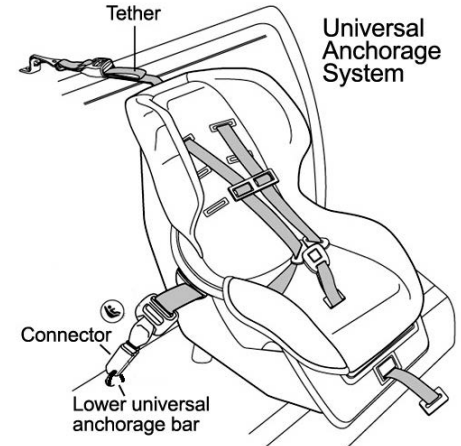
- Over one year old AND over 10 kg (22 lb.).
- Until they reach at least 18kg (40 lb.).

It is recommended that children remain rear-facing as long as possible within the manufacturer's rear-facing weight limit.

Always refer to manufacturer's instructions.

Installation and harnessing checklist

- I have read the child car seat instructions and the child seat section of the vehicle owner's manual.
- Child is dressed in clothing that is not bulky.
- Harness straps are positioned above my child's shoulders.
- Harness straps are not twisted.
- Child seat is forward facing.
- Child seat is in the upright position.
- Seat belt or Universal Anchorage System (UAS) is in the correct belt path for forward-facing.
- Child seat is secured tightly with no more than 2.5cm (1") of movement from side to side and front to back at the belt path.
- A locking clip is used if needed.
- Tether strap is tightly secured to designated anchor in vehicle.
- Harness straps are snug; no more than one finger can fit between the harness and the child's collarbone.
- Chest clip is at armpit level.



Universal Anchorage and tether



Child seat installed forward-facing

Safety Guidelines

- There's no need to turn your child forward-facing too soon.
- Child car seats purchased in other countries are not legal for use in Canada.
- All forward-facing child seats must be tethered.
- Register your child car seat with the manufacturer in case of a safety recall.
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions and read your vehicle owner's manual.

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