# Child Car Seats

## Over One Year

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**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 18 kg (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.

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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