**Child Car Seats: Under 9 Years**

**Booster seats are for children:**
- Over 18 kg (40 lb.).
- Until they are 9 years old or have reached the height of 145 cm (4'9") tall.

It is recommended children stay in a forward-facing car seat with harness if allowed by the manufacturer’s weight limit.

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Installation checklist

☐ I’ve read the manufacturer’s instructions.

☐ Booster seat faces the front of the vehicle.

☐ Booster seat is flat on the vehicle seat.

☐ Lap belt is snug across the hips (not the abdomen).

☐ Shoulder belt lies over the child’s shoulder and across the chest.

☐ Booster seat is buckled in, even when the child is not present.

Safety Guidelines

• It is recommended that a child doesn’t use a booster seat before 4 years of age.

• Child car seats and booster seats purchased in other countries are not legal for use in Canada.

• Seat belts are designed to fit adults.

• A booster seat should correctly position the vehicle seat belt over the child’s shoulder, across the chest and hips.

• Always follow the manufacturer’s instructions and read your vehicle owner’s manual.

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