

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.

Types of booster seats



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

- Can be used rear- or forward-facing with harness straps
- Can be used as a booster seat with the lap/shoulder seat belt
- Has weight limits for use as a booster seat that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 45 kg (100 lb.)



Child/booster seat (Combination)

- Used forward-facing only
- Can be used with the harness straps
- Can be used as a booster seat with the lap/shoulder seat belt
- Has weight limits for use as a booster seat that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 54.4 kg (120 lb.)



High-back belt-positioning booster

- Used forward-facing only
- Does not have harness straps
- Used when there is no vehicle head rest
- Has weight limits that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 54.5 kg (120 lb.)
- Must be used with a shoulder and lap belt. If there is no lap/shoulder belt, your child must be secured by a lap belt without a booster seat



Backless belt-positioning booster

- Used forward-facing only
- Does not have harness straps
- Used when the vehicle seat backs are high or there is a vehicle head rest
- Has weight limits that vary depending on the make and model – some go up to 54.5 kg (120 lb.)
- Must be used with a shoulder and lap belt. If there is no lap/shoulder belt, your child must be secured by a lap belt without a booster seat

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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.



Lap belt is snug across the hips.



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

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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