Pria 85 Max
Convertible Car Seat

Rear Facing
5-40 lb (2.3-18 kg) and 40 in. (101.6 cm) or less

Forward Facing
22-85 lb (10.1-38 kg) and 29-52 in. (73.6-132.1 cm)
At least 1 year old

Keep instructions for future use.
Read all instructions before using this child restraint.

Warning:
Failure to follow the warnings on the labels and in the instruction manual can result in serious injury or death to your child.
Choosing Rear or Forward Facing

Your child’s height, weight, and age determine how your child restraint should be placed in the vehicle.

Please talk to your doctor about the best option for your child.

**REAR FACING**

5-40 lb (2.3-18 kg)
40 in. (101.6 cm) or less

Children up to 1 year of age must ride rear facing.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children remain rear facing until they are at least 2 years old.

In this child restraint, your child can remain rear facing up to 40 lb (18 kg) and up to 40 in. (101.6 cm).

**FORWARD FACING**

22-85 lb (10.1-38 kg)
29-52 in. (73.6-132.1 cm)

At least 1 year old

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children remain in a five-point harness until they outgrow their forward-facing harnessed child restraint.

This typically occurs around age 4, but some children outgrow them sooner and others not until later.

**WARNING:** Verify your child’s weight and height (do not guess) before choosing the child restraint’s placement.

See page 3 to adjust internal harness system.

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Do not install by this method for a child weighing more than 40 lbs (18 kg).

See page 3 to adjust internal harness system.

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Prepare Child Restraint to Fit Your Child

**WARNING:** Do not use this chest clip with children who have an implanted electronic medical device. A magnet is used to help secure the chest clip locking mechanism together which may interfere with the proper function of an implanted electronic medical device.

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If a parent/caregiver or child has an implanted electronic medical device, please contact Dorel (see page 58) for a replacement (non-magnetic) chest clip free of charge.

1. **Fully Loosen Harness Straps**
   Push down on harness release lever (through opening in pad) while pulling out on harness straps as shown.

2. **Unbuckle Harness**
   Press in towards the top of the red button.
   Pull buckle tongues out.

3. **Release Chest Clip**
   Hold the chest clip with one hand and press in on the button with your thumb as shown.
   While holding the button in, slide the chest clip up to release the magnet and separate the chest clip.

4. **Place Harness Straps Out of Way**
   You can secure the harness straps around the harness holders as shown.

5. **Place Child in Child Restraint to Determine Proper Harness Fit**
   The child’s bottom and back should be flat against the child restraint.
   See pages 5-6 for fit guidelines.
   The soft infant-positioning wedge **MUST** be used for infants who weigh 5-11 lb (2.3-4.9 kg).
   You **MUST** remove the soft infant-positioning wedge for children who weigh 15 lb (6.8 kg) or more.

IMPLANTED ELECTRONIC MEDICAL DEVICES

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How Does Your Child Fit?

Use the guidelines below to determine if the buckle and harness strap are in the right place for your child.

**REAR FACING**

**Buckle Position**
Start in the 1st slot and adjust outward as your child grows.
Buckle should be used in the slot closest to your child. The buckle should not be underneath or behind your child.
1st or 2nd slot MUST be used.

**Harness Strap Position**
Harness strap MUST be at or slightly below shoulders.
Always choose the shoulder harness slot position that is closest to your child’s shoulder height.
If the shoulder harness slots are above the child’s shoulders with the headrest in the lowest position, do not use this child restraint.

To change buckle position, see pages 7-8.
To adjust headrest/harness height, see page 9.

**FORWARD FACING**

**Buckle Position**
Start in the 1st slot and adjust outward as your child grows.
Buckle should be used in the slot closest to your child. The buckle should not be underneath or behind your child.
Any slot can be used.

**Harness Strap Position**
Harness strap MUST be at or slightly above shoulders.
Always choose the shoulder harness slot position that is closest to your child’s shoulder height.
If the shoulder harness slots are below the child’s shoulders with the headrest in the highest position, do not use this child restraint.

To change buckle position, see pages 7-8.
To adjust headrest/harness height, see page 9.
Changing Position of Buckle

1. Unbuckle Harness
   Press in towards the top of the red button.
   Pull buckle tongues out.

2. Fully Recline the Child Restraint
   Pull out on recline handle and push top of child restraint back.

3. Locate Buckle’s Metal Retainer
   Reach under the seat between the base and shell and through the recline handle.

4. Rotate Metal Retainer and Push It Up Through Shell and Pad

5. From Top of Seat, Pull Buckle and Buckle Cover Out of Shell and Pad

6. Slide Buckle Cover into Slot in Pad
   You MUST use the 1st or 2nd buckle slots when child restraint is used rear facing. Any slot can be used when forward facing.
   Buckle cover only goes through slot in pad. It lays flat underneath the pad as shown.

7. Insert Buckle’s Metal Retainer into Same Slot as Buckle Cover
   Buckle MUST face out.

8. Reach Under the Seat Between Base and Shell
   Pull buckle’s metal retainer completely through pad and shell.

9. Check Buckle
   Pull up on buckle to make sure it is secured.
   The buckle MUST not pull out.

WARNING: Failure to place buckle’s metal retainer completely through pad and shell can result in serious injury or death.
Adjusting Headrest/Harness Height

1. Fully Loosen Harness Straps
   Push down on harness release lever (through opening in pad) while pulling out on harness straps as shown.

2. To Adjust Headrest/Harness Height
   Squeeze the headrest adjustment handle.
   Move the headrest up or down to the proper height for your child. See pages 5-6 for fit guidelines.
   Release it into slot to lock. Make sure it is securely locked into place.

   **WARNINGS:** Make sure that the harness height is correct for your child's size.
   Do not use this child restraint rear facing unless the top of your child's head is at least 1 in. (2.5 cm) below the top of the child restraint's headrest.
   Do not use this child restraint forward facing if the tops of your child's ears are above the top of the child restraint's headrest.
   Failure to follow these steps can result in serious injury or death.

Securing Child in Child Restraint

1. Place Child in Child Restraint
   The child's bottom and back should be flat against the child restraint.
   Position harness strap over child's shoulders and upper thighs.

2. Buckle Harness
   Push buckle tongues into buckle until you hear them "click."
   Pull up on harness strap to make sure buckle is locked.

3. Close Chest Clip
   Place the right clip piece on top of the left clip piece.
   It will automatically snap together.

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Do not mistake comfort for safety. Harness system must be snugly adjusted.

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Do NOT put snowsuits or bulky garments on your child when placing them in the child restraint.

Bulky clothing can prevent the harness straps from being tightened properly.

To Remove Child From Child Restraint:
1. Loosen Harness Strap
2. Unbuckle Harness
3. Release Chest Clip
4. Place Harness Straps Out of Way Using Harness Holders
5. Remove Child

A snug strap should not allow any slack. It lies in a relatively straight line without sagging. It does not press on the child’s flesh or push the child’s body into an unnatural position.
Reclining Child Restraint
This child restraint has 3 positions.

**REAR FACING**
The level-to-ground line on the side of shell *MUST* be level with the ground using either position 3 or 2.

**FORWARD FACING**
For Children 22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg) 29-43 in. (73.6-110 cm) You MUST use position 2.
For Children 40-85 lb (18.1-38 kg) 43-52 in. (110.1-132.1 cm) You MUST use position 1.

To recline, pull out on recline handle on the back of the child restraint and push top of child restraint back.
For upright, pull out on recline handle and pull top of child restraint forward.

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Removing Seat Pad for Cleaning
You DO NOT need to remove the harness system to remove the pad from the shell. To remove accessories, see pages 19-20.

1. Fully Loosen Harness Straps
Push down on harness release lever (through opening in pad) while pulling out on harness straps as shown.

2. Unbuckle Harness
Press in towards the top of the red button.
Pull buckle tongues out.

3. Adjust the Headrest to the Highest Position

4. Undo Fasteners on Headrest Pad As Shown

5. Remove Headrest Pad
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6. Undo Fasteners on Seat Pad

7. Lower Headrest to Lowest Position

8. Remove Seat Pad
   Gently pull the pad off the outside edges of the shell then around the headrest and harness holders.
   Pull buckle and buckle pad through slot in seat pad.

**WARNINGS:** Do not use child restraint without the seat pad. Failure to do this can result in serious injury or death.

Cleaning Pad and Accessories
Machine wash separately with cold water on a gentle cycle. Make sure harness covers are closed so fastening strips are not exposed. Do not use bleach. Tumble dry separately for 10-12 minutes on low heat. Remove immediately.

Cleaning Easy Out Buckle Cover
Machine wash separately with cold water on a gentle cycle and air dry.

Cleaning Harness Strap
Spot clean using warm sudsy water and damp cloth.

Installing Seat Pad
See pages 16-18.

1. Slip Seat Pad Over and Behind Headrest
   Lay pad in child restraint and slip pad over and behind the headrest.
   Gently slide harness holders through slots in pad.
   Pull buckle through slot in pad.

2. Pull Harness Adjustment Strap Through Slot in Pad

3. Pull Pad Over the Outside Edges of the Shell

4. Attach Fasteners on Seat Pad
   See pages 16-18.
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If you have removed the harness straps from the splitter plate and the buckle tongues and chest clip have been unthreaded from the harness straps, follow the steps below to rethread them.

1. **Thread Buckle and Chest Clip**
   - Harness strap ends go through the back of buckle tongues and through the chest clip front to back as shown.

2. **Thread Harness Straps into Shoulder Harness Slots**

3. **Attach Harness Strap Loops to Splitter Plate As Shown**
   - Sewn ends of the harness strap loops MUST face towards you.
   - DO NOT twist harness strap or harness adjustment strap.
   - Make sure the harness strap loops are fitted COMPLETELY ON both sides of the splitter plate.

4. **Adjust the Headrest to the Highest Position**

5. **Starting At Bottom of Headrest, Pull Headrest Pad onto Lower Portion of Headrest then Pull Headrest Pad Up Gently Over the Airbags and Upper Portion of Headrest**

6. **Attach Fasteners on Headrest Pad**

**WARNINGS:** Harness system must be installed correctly. Failure to follow these steps can result in serious injury or death.
Accessories on Select Models

**Harness Covers**
Harness covers help provide comfort to the neck. If harness covers will not allow proper positioning of the chest clip or interfere with getting a tight enough fit for a smaller baby, remove and do not use.

Store until child is large enough to use these harness covers while maintaining a properly fitting harness.

To remove harness covers, pull the fastening strips apart and remove harness covers.

**Body Pillow**
Remove the body pillow when using the child restraint forward-facing.

To remove body pillow, loosen harness straps and slide pillow out from behind the harness straps.

To install body pillow, slide pillow behind infant-positioning wedge and harness straps.

**Harness Covers for Larger Children**
These harness covers are located in the pocket on side of pad.

Only use these harness covers if your child weighs more than 65 lb (29 kg) AND there is NOT a vehicle tether anchor available.

Undo the fastening strip and put the harness strap inside of harness cover.

**Easy Out Buckle Cover**
To remove buckle cover, follow page 7 steps 1-5 to remove the buckle. Then pull the buckle up and out of the cover.

Replace the buckle.

To install buckle cover, see page 8.

**Soft Infant-Positioning Wedge**
The soft infant-positioning wedge **MUST** be used for infants who weigh 5-11 lb (2.3-4.9 kg).

You **MUST** remove the soft infant-positioning wedge for children who weigh 15 lb (6.8 kg) or more.
**Child Restraint Use**

Never take your child out of the child restraint while the vehicle is moving.

Never leave child unattended.

Placing your child in a hot child restraint may result in burns.

Do not use a child restraint with damaged or missing parts.

Do not use cut, frayed or damaged harnesses.

Do not substitute parts or try to modify the child restraint in any way.

Do not lubricate buckles and fasteners.

Do not use any child restraint accessory except those approved by Dorel Juvenile Group.

Never allow any child to play with this child restraint; it is not a toy.

Do not remove or cover up any of the warning labels or other labels on the child restraint.

Read all instructions for additional warnings.

On the side of the child restraint there is a date of manufacture label. Do not use this child restraint more than 10 years after the date of manufacture.

**Installation in Vehicle**

Check the vehicle belt or lower anchor belt before each use. Use only if the belt is tightened properly and locked securely in place.

This child restraint should be securely belted in the vehicle even when not in use. In a crash or sudden stop, an unsecured child restraint could injure occupants.

Do not use a child restraint that has been in a crash. You must get a new child restraint.

**Vehicle Seating Position**

Never place a child rear facing in a seating position with an active frontal air bag.

Check the vehicle owner’s manual for more information about air bag/child restraint use.

Use the child restraint only on vehicle seats that face forward.

Do not use on seats that face the sides or rear of the vehicle.

Use the center seating position if possible.

For vehicles without a back seat, refer to your vehicle owner’s manual.

If you are not sure where to place the child restraint in your vehicle, consult your vehicle owner’s manual, contact Dorel Juvenile Group Consumer Care Department, or visit your local Child Passenger Inspection Station. Go to http://www.safercar.gov/cpsApp/cps/index.htm to find your closest station.

Children are safer when properly restrained in rear seating positions than in the front seating positions.

According to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration information, children in rear seating positions are statistically safer, whether you have air bags, advanced air bags, or no air bags at all.

To avoid your child being seriously burned, take the following precautions:

1. Park in the shade or where sun does not directly hit the child restraint.
2. Cover the child restraint with a sheet or blanket when not in use.
3. Check for hot seat and buckles before placing child in child restraint.
4. To help protect your vehicle seat’s upholstery from damage, use a single layer towel underneath and behind child restraint.
Choosing Lower Anchor Belt or Vehicle Belts

The LATCH System

The lower anchors of LATCH (Lower Anchors and Tethers for CHildren) is a universal system for installing child restraints without using vehicle seat belts.

The lower anchor system can ONLY be used in vehicles that have the lower anchor bars installed in designated LATCH seating positions.

Most vehicles manufactured after September 2002 are equipped with lower anchor bars.

Check your vehicle owner’s manual to see which seating positions may be equipped with the LATCH system.

When installing with vehicle belts, the lower anchor belt MUST be properly stored.

Storing Lower Anchor Belt:

When installing rear facing with vehicle belts, thread lower anchor belt through forward-facing belt path. Then attach connectors to storage attachment as shown. Gently pull free end of belt to remove slack.

When installing forward facing with vehicle belts, thread lower anchor belt through rear-facing belt path. Then attach connectors to storage attachments as shown. Gently pull free end of belt to remove slack.
Vehicle Belts

If lower anchors are not an option or if your child weighs more than 40 lb (18 kg), you must use the vehicle seat belt system to install the child restraint.

There are some vehicle belts that will not work with a child restraint or will require special attention. Check your vehicle owner’s manual for specific instructions.

**WARNINGS:** When used correctly the lower anchor belt or vehicle belts are equally safe.

Do not use both the lower anchor belt and vehicle belt at the same time.

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**Knowing Your Vehicle Belts**

Not all vehicle belts and seating positions will work with child restraints. Please follow the following steps to understand how to lock a child restraint with a vehicle belt.

1. **You MUST Review Your Vehicle Owner’s Manual**
   - Your vehicle owner’s manual will let you know what vehicle belts and seating positions child restraints can be installed in.

2. **Determine How the Child Restraint Will Be Locked Into Place**
   - The vehicle belt MUST NOT loosen after tightening.
   - This means there needs to be a way to lock the vehicle belt.

   The ways this can be done are:
   - By using the seat belt’s retractor; or
   - By using the seat belt’s latch plate.

3. **Check the Retractor**
   - Retrac tors pull seat belts into stored positions and lock the belt to hold passengers in place.
   - A retractor is most likely how you will be locking a child restraint into place.

See the next page for some common types of vehicle belt retractors that will work with this child restraint.
Switchable Retractor
(most vehicles have this type)

This retractor can be switched to a locking mode.
You **MUST** have the retractor in the locking mode to use the seat belt with this child restraint.

**Switching to locking mode:** Slowly pull the shoulder belt all the way out, then let it go back in an inch or two.
As it goes back in, you will most likely hear a ratcheting sound.
Gently pull the belt to see if it has locked. You will not be able to pull any more belt out if the lock has engaged.

Automatic Locking Retractor

This retractor always locks.
It will automatically lock after slowly pulling the seat belt out at least halfway and letting the belt go back into the retractor an inch or two.

Emergency Locking Retractor

If the retractor does not lock, it is most likely an Emergency Locking Retractor. These retractors only lock during a sudden stop or collision.

You will need to determine if your seat belt’s latch plate can lock the belt. See Step 4, “Check the Latch Plates,” on next page.

4. Check the Latch Plates

Latch plates are the part of the seat belt that goes into the buckle.

Hold the lap belt with one hand and with your other hand grasp the tongue of the latch plate (the part that goes inside the buckle). Pull the latch plate straight out in line with the lap belt.

If the latch plate does not slide up and down the vehicle belt, it is a locking latch plate.

If the latch plate slides up and down the vehicle belt, it is a sliding latch plate.

Sliding latch plates easily slip between the lap and shoulder portions of the belt.

If you have an Emergency Locking Retractor with a Sliding Latch Plate, you **MUST** use a locking clip to install the child restraint. See pages 50-52.

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**Aircraft Information**

This restraint is certified for aircraft use. Install the child restraint in a window seat to avoid blocking the aisle. If the aircraft lap belt is too short, ask the flight attendant for a belt extender.

Use only on forward facing aircraft seats. Contact the airline for their specific policies.

Some airlines may ask to see a label stating that this child restraint is certified for aircraft use.

There is an airplane certification label located on the side of this child restraint, as shown.

⚠️ **WARNING:** Store lower anchor belt and tether strap when using the aircraft belts.

**Rear Facing Aircraft Installation**

For rear facing installation follow pages 36-39.

**Forward Facing Aircraft Installation**

For forward facing installation follow pages 47-49.

⚠️ **WARNING:** Never install a rear facing child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with an active frontal airbag.

This child restraint **MUST** always face the rear of the vehicle when the child is less than 1 year old.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children remain rear facing until they are at least 2 years old.

Please talk to your doctor about the best option for your child.
**Lower Anchor Belt Installation**

**WARNINGS:** Do not use the lower anchor belt along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt. Check the lower anchor belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and securely. Do not fasten multiple lower anchor connectors on the same lower anchor bar in the vehicle.

1. **Remove Lower Anchor Belt from Storage Location**
   Or if the lower anchor belt was used forward facing, pull it out of the forward-facing belt path so both connectors are on the same side of the seat as shown.

2. **Route the Connector without the Adjuster Closest to it Through the Rear-Facing Belt Path As Shown**

3. **Reach Under Pad and Pull Connector Across to Opposite Side**
   - Do not twist belt.
   - Belt **MUST** be in front of buckle strap and under pad.
   - You **MUST** use the 1st or 2nd buckle slot.

4. **You MUST Thread the Lower Anchor Belt into Belt Positioning Guides on Both Sides of Shell As Shown**

5. **Finished Lower Anchor Belt Routing**

6. **Fully Recline the Child Restraint**
   - Pull out on recline handle and push top of child restraint back.

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**WARNINGS:**
- Do not use the lower anchor belt along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt.
- Check the lower anchor belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and securely.
- Do not fasten multiple lower anchor connectors on the same lower anchor bar in the vehicle.

- Store the tether hook when used rear facing. Attach the tether hook to storage attachment as shown.
- Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

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- You **MUST** use the 1st or 2nd buckle slot.

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- Check the lower anchor belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and securely.
- Do not fasten multiple lower anchor connectors on the same lower anchor bar in the vehicle.

- You **MUST** use the 1st or 2nd buckle slot.
7. Place Child Restraint
   Rear Facing in Back Seat
   The level line on shell MUST be parallel with the ground.
   If needed, you may use position 2 to help achieve the correct recline angle.

8. Attach Lower Anchor
   Connector to Vehicle’s Lower Anchor
   Review your vehicle owner’s manual for lower anchor locations and lower anchor belt use.
   Make sure arrows on connectors are facing up.
   Fasten one lower anchor belt connector to the anchor located in the vehicle seat bight.
   Repeat for other side of child restraint.

9. Tighten Belt
   Place hand in child restraint.
   Firmly push child restraint down and back towards the vehicle seat back while pulling free end of belt to tighten.
   It may be easier to pull back the pad and pull the free end of the belt parallel with the belt path as shown.

10. Check Belt Tightness
    Hold child restraint at the belt path with your weakest hand.
    Push and pull from side to side.
    It should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).
    If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:
    A. Pulling the belt tighter.
    B. Reinstalling the child restraint.
    C. Changing to a different seating location.
    D. Switching to vehicle belt installation.

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**Vehicle Belt Installation**

**WARNINGS:** Do not use the lower anchor belt along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt.

Secure the lower anchor connectors to storage attachments as shown when installing with vehicle belts.

Store the tether hook when used rear facing. Attach the tether hook to storage attachment as shown.

Check the vehicle belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and locked securely in place.

Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

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**11. Secure Child in Child Restraint**

See pages 10-12.

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**12. Recheck Level Line**

Repeat steps 6-12 if not reclined correctly.

**NOTE:** You may need to place a large rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under front of child restraint to help achieve the correct recline angle.

Check often to be sure padding is still in place and the belt is tight.

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**To Release Lower Anchor Belt**

Remove child from child restraint.

Remove lower anchor belt from vehicle anchors by pressing the red release button on each connector. Then pull it out of the vehicle seat.

Store lower anchor belt when not in use. See page 24.

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**1. Fully Recline the Child Restraint**

Pull out on recline handle and push top of child restraint back.
2. Place Child Restraint Rear Facing in Back Seat
The level line on shell MUST be parallel with the ground.
If needed, you may use position 2 to help achieve the correct recline angle.

3. Check if Your Vehicle Belts Will Work With This Child Restraint
This is very important because not all vehicle belts will work with child restraints.

Review pages 26-28 and your vehicle owner's manual to determine what kind of vehicle belt you have and how to lock a child restraint in place.

4. Route Vehicle Lap or Lap/Shoulder Belt Through Rear-Facing Belt Path

5. Reach Under Pad and Pull Vehicle Belt Across the Shell
Do not twist belt. Belt MUST be in front of buckle strap.
You MUST use the 1st or 2nd buckle slot. Do not place belt over child's legs.

6. You MUST Thread Only the Vehicle Lap Belt into the Belt Positioning Guides on Both Sides of the Shell As Shown
DO NOT thread the shoulder portion of the lap/shoulder belt into the belt positioning guides.

7. Buckle Vehicle Belt

8. Tighten Belt
Place hand in child restraint.
Firmly push child restraint down and back towards the vehicle seat back while pulling free end of belt to tighten.

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9. Check Belt Tightness
Hold child restraint at the belt path with your weakest hand.
Push and pull from side to side.
It should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).
If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:
A. Pulling the belt tighter.
B. Reinstalling the child restraint.
C. Changing to a different seating location.
D. Switching to lower anchor belt installation if lower anchors are available in your vehicle.

10. Secure Child in Child Restraint
See pages 10-12.

11. Recheck Level Line
Repeat steps 2-11 if not reclined correctly.

NOTE: You may need to place a large rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under front of child restraint to help achieve the correct recline angle.
Check often to be sure padding is still in place and the belt is tight.

WARNINGs: In this child restraint your child MUST be at least 1 year old before they sit forward facing.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children remain rear facing until they are at least 2 years old and remain in a five-point harness until they outgrow their forward-facing harnessed child restraint.
Please talk to your doctor about the best option for your child.

You MUST Use Position

Lap Belt with Tether

Do not install by this method for a child weighing more than 40 lbs (18 kg).

Lap/Shoulder Belt with Tether

For Children
22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg)
29-43 in. (73.6-110 cm)
At least 1 year old

Lower Anchor Belt with Tether

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Tether Use

You MUST always attach, adjust, and secure the top anchorage (tether) strap when installing the child restraint forward facing with internal harness. Tethers improve the installation and stability of child restraints and reduce the risk of injury.

Attach the tether hook to the tether anchor designated by your vehicle manufacturer for that seating position. Check your vehicle owner’s manual for more information.

If the seating position does not have a tether anchor, use a different seating position or see your dealer or a qualified mechanic and have one installed.

⚠️ WARNING: Do not fasten multiple tether hooks on the same tether anchor in the vehicle.

Adjusting Tether Strap

To tighten: After the child restraint is locked into place with lower anchor belt or vehicle belt, push down on child restraint and gently pull on free end of tether.

To loosen: Lift up on tether lock adjuster and push it towards tether hook.

Storing Tether Strap

When installing rear facing or when not in use, attach the tether hook to its storage attachment on back of shell as shown.

Gently tighten to remove slack.

FORWARD FACING

For Children

40-85 lb (18.1-38 kg)
43-52 in. (110.1-132.1 cm)

At least 1 year old

You MUST Use Position 1

Lap Belt with Tether

Lap/Shouldey Belt with Tether

Harness Covers for Larger Children

Only use the harness covers for larger children if your child weighs more than 65 lb (29 kg) AND there is NOT a vehicle tether anchor available. See page 20.

⚠️ WARNINGS: In this child restraint your child MUST be at least 1 year old before they sit forward facing.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that children remain rear facing until they are at least 2 years old and remain in a five-point harness until they outgrow their forward-facing harnessed child restraint.

Please talk to your doctor about the best option for your child.
Lower Anchor Belt Installation

**WARNINGS:** Do not use the lower anchors of the child restraint anchorage system (LATCH system) to attach this child restraint when restraining a child weighing more than 40 lbs (18 kg).

The vehicle belt must be used for installation if your child weighs more than 40 lb (1.8 kg).

Do not use the lower anchor belt along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt.

Check the lower anchor belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and securely.

Do not fasten multiple lower anchor connectors on the same lower anchor bar in the vehicle.

Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

1. **Remove Lower Anchor Belt from Storage Location**
   - Or if the lower anchor belt was used rear facing, pull it out of the rear-facing belt path so both connectors are on the same side of the seat as shown.

2. **Route the Connector with the Adjuster Closest to it Through the Forward-Facing Belt Path As Shown**

3. **Finished Lower Anchor Belt Routing**

4. **Recline Child Restraint to Position 2**

5. **Place Child Restraint Forward Facing Against Vehicle Seat Back**
   - Vehicle seat back must be upright.

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6. Loosely Attach Tether Hook to Vehicle’s Tether Anchor
   Check vehicle owner’s manual for specific location.

7. Attach Lower Anchor Connector to Vehicle’s Lower Anchor
   Review your vehicle owner’s manual for lower anchor locations and lower anchor belt use.
   Make sure arrows on connectors are facing up.
   Fasten one lower anchor belt connector to the anchor located in the vehicle seat bight.
   Repeat for other side of child restraint.

8. Tighten Belt
   Place hand in child restraint.
   Firmly push the child restraint down while pulling the free end of belt to tighten.
   It may be easier to pull back the pad and pull the free end of the belt parallel with the belt path as shown.

9. Tighten Tether
   Push firmly on the back of the seat and pull the tether strap to remove all slack and create tension on the strap.

10. Check Belt Tightness
    Hold child restraint at the belt path with your weakest hand.
    Push and pull from side to side. It should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).
    If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:
    A. Putting your knee in the seat and pulling the belt tighter.
    B. Reinstalling the child restraint.
    C. Changing to a different seating location.
    D. Switching to vehicle belt installation.

To Release Lower Anchor Belt
   Remove child from child restraint.
   Remove lower anchor belt from vehicle anchors by pressing the red release button on each connector.
   Then pull it out of the vehicle seat.

Store lower anchor belt when not in use. See page 24.
Vehicle Belt Installation

1. Place Child Restraint in Correct Position

- For Children 22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg) 29-43 in. (73.6-110 cm) You MUST use position 2.
- For Children 40-85 lb (18.1-38 kg) 43-52 in. (110.1-132.1 cm) You MUST use position 1.

2. Place Child Restraint Forward Facing Against Vehicle Seat Back

Vehicle seat back must be upright.

3. Loosely Attach Tether Hook to Vehicle’s Tether Anchor

Check vehicle owner’s manual for specific location.

4. Check if Your Vehicle Belts Will Work With This Child Restraint

This is very important because not all vehicle belts will work with child restraints.

Review pages 26-28 and your vehicle owner’s manual to determine what kind of vehicle belt you have and how to lock a child restraint in place.

5. Route Vehicle Lap or Lap/Shoulder Belt Through Forward-Facing Belt Path

Do not twist belt.

WARNINGS: Do not use the lower anchor belt along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt.
Secure the lower anchor connectors to storage attachments as shown when installing with vehicle belts.
Check the vehicle belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and securely.
Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.
6. **Buckle Vehicle Belt**

7. **Tighten Belt**
   - Place hand in child restraint.
   - Firmly push the child restraint down while pulling the shoulder belt or the free end of lap belt towards you as shown.

8. **Tighten Tether**
   - Push firmly on the back of the seat and pull the tether strap to remove all slack and create tension on the strap.

9. **Check Belt Tightness**
   - Hold child restraint at the belt path with your weakest hand.
   - Push and pull from side to side. It should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).

   If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:
   A. Putting your knee in the seat and pulling the belt tighter.
   B. Reinstalling the child restraint.
   C. Changing to a different seating location.
   D. Switching to the lower anchor belt installation if lower anchors are available in your vehicle.

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**Using a Locking Clip**

You will rarely need to use a locking clip except in some older vehicles. Built-in child restraint locking systems have been required in vehicles since 1996, and many vehicles had these features even earlier.

Review pages 26-28 and your vehicle owner’s manual to determine if your vehicle belts require a locking clip.

If you need a locking clip immediately, they are likely available at an auto dealership, an auto store, or where you purchased this child restraint.

You can also email call us at 1-800-951-4113 for one. A locking clip will not fix all types of seat belt problems. You MUST have a lap and shoulder belt to use a locking clip.

**For Rear Facing installation**, follow pages 36-38
Warnings and Steps 1-8 before starting locking clip installation.

**For Forward Facing installation**, follow pages 47-49
Warnings and Steps 1-7 before starting locking clip installation.
1. **Determine Locking Clip Position**
   - Grasp both vehicle belts together just behind the latch plate to mark the position for locking clip.
   - Unbuckle the belt.
   - **NOTE:** If the latch plate ends up just at the belt path opening so you cannot grasp the vehicle belt at the latch plate, grasp the vehicle belts on the opposite side of the child restraint, as close to the latch plate as possible.

2. **Attach Locking Clip**
   - Thread both portions of the vehicle belt onto the locking clip, as close to the latch plate as possible.

3. **Position Locking Clip**
   - It should be about 1 in. (2.5 cm) from vehicle belt’s latch plate.

4. **Rebuckle Vehicle Belt**

5. **Check Belt Tightness**
   - Hold child restraint at the belt path with your weakest hand.
   - Push and pull from side to side.
   - It should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).
   - If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:
     - A. Reinstalling the child restraint.
     - B. Changing to a different seating location.
   - **When installed rear facing, recheck the level line.**
   - **When installed forward facing, make sure to tighten the tether strap.**
   - Remove the locking clip when the seat belt is not being used with a child restraint.
Registration and Safety Notices

Please complete the postage-paid registration card that came with your child restraint, and send it to us. Child restraints could be recalled for safety reasons. You must register this restraint to be reached in a recall. Send your name, address, email address if available and the restraint's model number and manufacturing date to:

Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc.
Consumer Care Department
PO Box 2609
Columbus, IN 47202-2609

or call 1-800-951-4113 or register online at www.djgusa.com/registration/carseat/us.

For recall information, call the U.S. Government's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.NHTSA.gov.

Example of model number, manufacture date, and line code.

Warranty

Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc. (DJG) warrants this product to the original retail purchaser as follows:

This product is warranted against defective materials or workmanship for one year from the date of original purchase. An original receipt is required to validate your warranty.

DJG will, at its option, provide replacement parts or replace this product. DJG reserves the right to substitute if the part or model has been discontinued.

To make a claim under this warranty write to DJG, Consumer Care Department, P.O. Box 2609, Columbus, IN 47202-2609; or call 1-800-951-4113 from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. EST Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

Proof of purchase is required and shipping charges are the responsibility of the consumer.

Warranty Limitations: This warranty does not include damages which arise from misuse or abuse of this product.

Limitation of Damages: The warranty and remedies as set forth are exclusive and in lieu of all others, oral or written, expressed or implied. In no event will DJG or the dealer selling this product be liable to you for any damages, including incidental or consequential damages, arising out of the use or inability to use this product.

Limitation of warranties and other warranty terms and state law rights:

Any implied warranties, including implied warranties of the merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, shall be limited to the duration and terms of the express written warranty. Some states do not allow limitations as to how long an implied warranty lasts or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights, which vary from state to state. Neither DJG nor the

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Replacement Parts Order Form

Complete the form. Your model number and manufacturer date code MUST be included on the form to ensure proper replacement parts. The codes can be found on a label on side of child restraint. Payment in U.S. dollars must accompany your order. Choose parts needed from the list on the next page. Return the form with payment to:

Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc.
Consumer Care Department
P.O. Box 2609
Columbus, IN 47202-2609

Please make money orders payable to Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc. Fill in the area on the next page to charge credit card. (Visa or MasterCard only). We do not accept cash, personal checks, or other credit cards. All outside of U.S. and Canada MUST use credit card.

Ship To: (Please Print)

Name:_____________________________________
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State/Province:_________________ Zip:__________
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We MUST have this information:

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Replacement Parts List

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Troubleshooting

1. Locate a Child Safety Seat Inspection Station for hands on training on how to use your child restraint: Visit your local Child Passenger Inspection Station or go to http://www.safercargov/cpsApp/cps/index.htm to find your closest station.

2. If the child restraint buckle or harness release lever sticks or you cannot get the straps tight enough around child: DO NOT LUBRICATE. Check around lever and retractor for dropped food, sticky spilled drinks, dirt, leaves, etc. Clean with warm water and/or remove object with tweezers. If you cannot get the harness to adjust and remain tight with the buckle securely locked, do not use the child restraint.

3. If your harness twists: Straighten the harness each time you put your child in the child restraint to help prevent twisting. Lock the buckle and tighten harness so it will be ready for next use.

Dorel Juvenile Group Information

Thank you for choosing this child restraint. The DJG family is committed to creating child restraints with the most comfort and convenience available today.

Remember, parents are a child’s first teachers and examples. Be sure to buckle your seat belt and encourage your child to do the same. Model the behavior you expect. Make it a firm rule that the vehicle does not go until everyone is buckled up. Make no exceptions.

No one can predict if use of a child restraint will prevent injury or death in a particular crash. However, when combined with careful driving, proper use of a child restraint can lower a child’s risk of injury or death in most crashes.

Your child’s safety is worth the time it will take to read and follow these instructions. After reading, if you still have questions or have any concerns with this child restraint, please contact our Consumer Care Department at:

Website: www.maxi-cosi.com
Telephone: 1-800-951-4113
M-F from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. EST
No shipping and handling for quantities under 6. Add $.50 for each instruction over 6, then add applicable shipping and handling.

We hope this manual will be a helpful guide and a valuable resource for you and your child. Thank you for choosing Dorel Juvenile Group.