



MAXI-COSI®
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Mico Max Plus

Infant Car Seat

**KEEP INSTRUCTIONS
FOR FUTURE USE.**

Read all instructions
before using this
child restraint.



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⚠ WARNINGS: Failure to follow the warnings
on the labels and in the instruction manual can
result in serious injury or death to your child.

Overview

Welcome to the Maxi-Cosi family and thank you for choosing this car seat, also known as a child restraint!

To help you get started using your child's new car seat, here are the 4 main tasks you'll need to complete.



Measure Your Child



Adjust the Car Seat to Fit Your Child



Install the Car Seat into Your Vehicle



Secure Your Child in the Car Seat

Your child's safety is worth the time it will take to read and follow these instructions.

Ready? Let's go!

Pages 1-3 will introduce you to the parts of the car seat.

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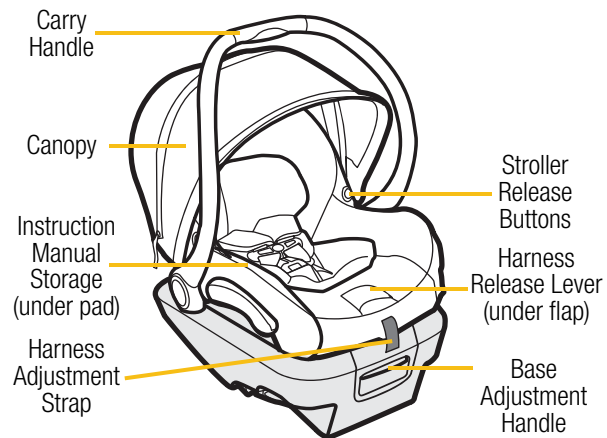
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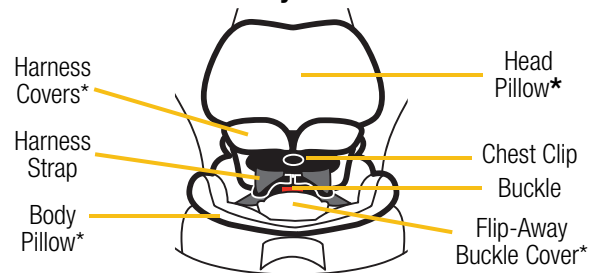
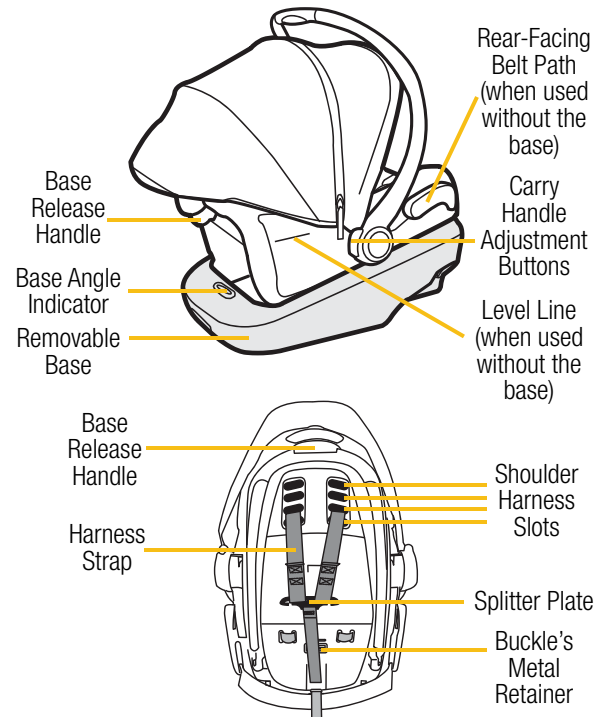
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Parts of the Car Seat

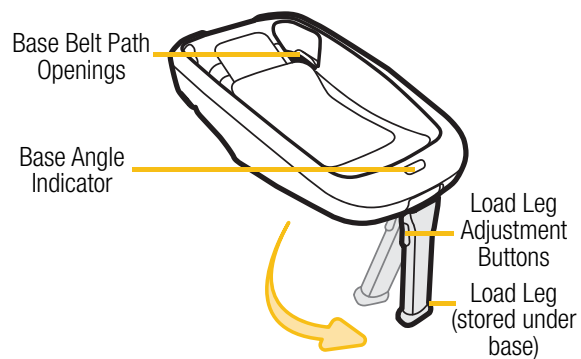
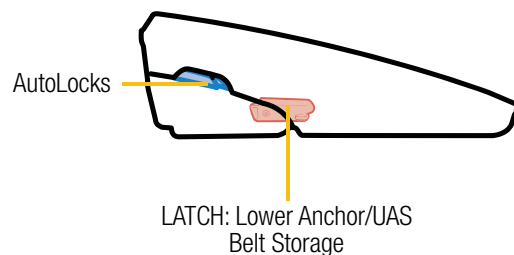
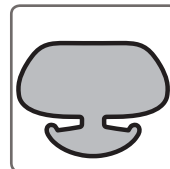


Harness System Detail



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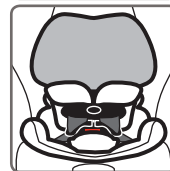
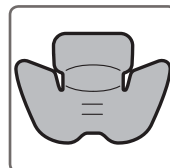


Head Pillow

When using the head pillow, make sure it does not cover your infant's face in any way.

You may remove the insert for older babies.

To remove head pillow, pull it off the harness straps.



Body Pillow

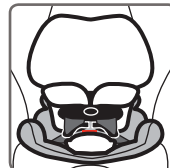
The body pillow provides comfort and helps to achieve a snug harness fit.

To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26-28.

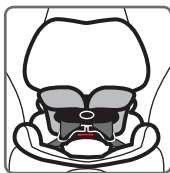
You **must** use the body pillow for children who weigh 4-5 lb (1.8-2.3 kg).

You may remove the infant insert for bigger infants.

To remove body pillow, pull the buckle through the buckle slot and remove it from the car seat.



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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 from the harness strap.



Flip-Away Buckle Cover

To remove Flip-Away Buckle Cover, pull up on buckle cover and slide it off of the buckle and pull it out of the buckle slot in the seat pad.

To install Flip-Away Buckle Cover, slide buckle into opening in front of buckle cover. Then be sure to slide buckle cover itself through the buckle slot in only the seat pad.

NOTE: Buckle cover only goes through slot in pad and NOT through buckle slot in shell. It lays flat underneath the pad as shown.



This car seat can only be used Rear-Facing.

Your child's height, weight, and age determine how the car seat should be placed in the vehicle. Please talk to your doctor about the best option for your child.

⚠ WARNING: Verify your child's weight and height (do not guess) before using this car seat.



REAR-FACING

4-30 lb (1.8-13.6 kg) and
32 in. (81.3 cm) **or less in height**

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.

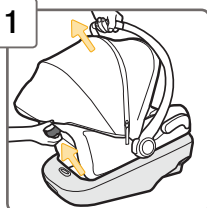
In this child restraint, your child can remain rear-facing up to 30 lb (13.6 kg) and up to 32 in. (81.3 cm).

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Preparing Car Seat for Child Fit

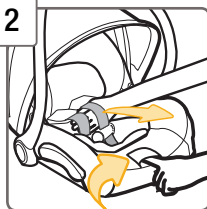
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Remove Child Restraint From Base

From the back of the child restraint, slide the base release handle up and lift the restraint out of the base.

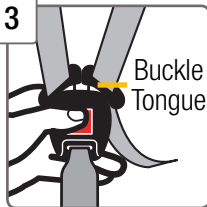
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Fully Loosen Harness Straps

Push down on harness release lever (through opening in pad) while pulling out on harness straps as shown.

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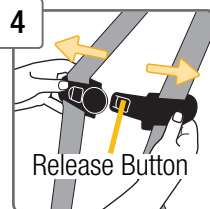
Unbuckle Harness

Press in on the red button.
Pull buckle tongues out.

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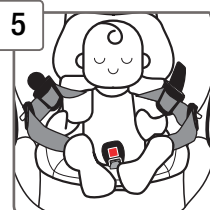
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Release Chest Clip

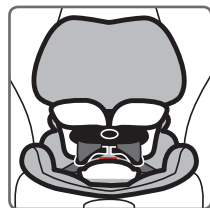
Hold each side of the chest clip and press on the release button with your thumb and pull apart.

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Place Child in Car Seat to Determine Proper Harness Fit

The child's bottom and back should be flat against the car seat.

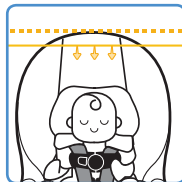


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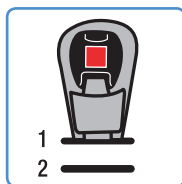
Head Position

The top of your child's head **must be at least 2.5 cm (1 in.) below** the top of the car seat.



Harness Strap Position

The harness strap **must be at or slightly below** the shoulders; **never above**.



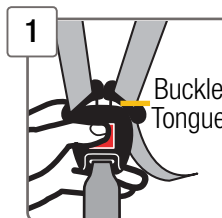
Buckle Position

Choose the slot closest to your child. The buckle **should not be underneath or behind** your child.

Need to make adjustments?

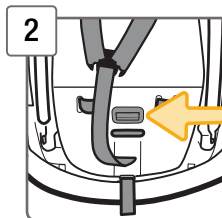
To change harness height, see pages 13-15.

To change buckle position, see pages 10-12.



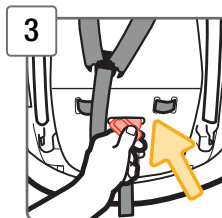
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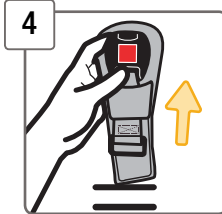
Turn Seat Over

Locate buckle's metal retainer on bottom of shell.

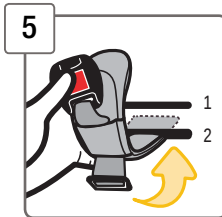


Rotate Metal Retainer and Push It Up Through Shell and Pad

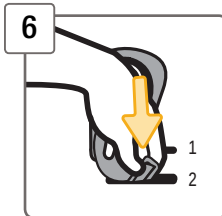
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4 From Top of Seat,
Pull Buckle and Buckle
Cover Out of Shell and
Pad

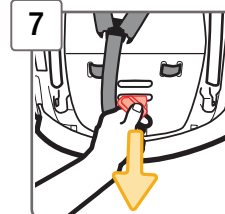


5 Slide Buckle Cover into
Slot in Pad

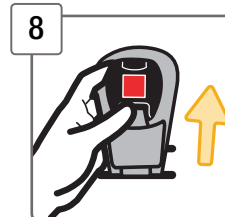


6 Insert Buckle's Metal
Retainer into Same Slot
as Buckle Cover

Buckle **must** face out.



7 Pull Buckle's Metal
Retainer Completely
Through Pad and Shell

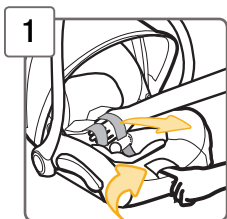


8 Check Buckle

Pull up on buckle to make sure
it is secured.

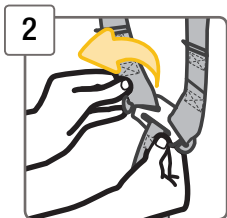
The buckle **must not** pull out.

⚠ WARNINGS: Failure to place buckle's metal
retainer completely through pad and shell can
result in serious injury or death.

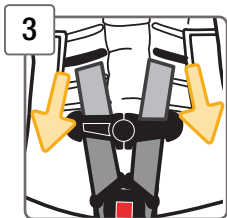


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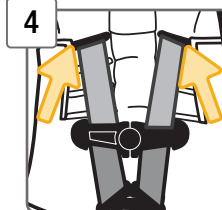
Push down on harness release lever (through opening in pad) while pulling out on harness straps as shown.



2 From Back, Remove Harness Strap Loops From Splitter Plate



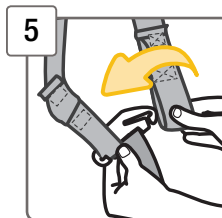
3 Pull Harness Strap Out of Shoulder Harness Slots



4 Rethread Harness Strap Into Correct Shoulder Harness Slots For Your Child

Make sure shoulder harness slots in pad are correctly lined up with same shoulder harness slots in shell.

For **Rear-Facing** child fit, see page 9.

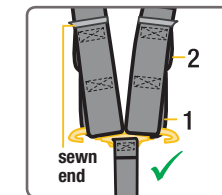


5 Attach 1st Harness Strap Loops to Splitter Plate

Sewn ends of the harness strap loops **must** face towards you.

Do not twist harness strap or harness adjustment strap.

Make sure the **same** harness strap loops are fitted **completely on** both sides of the splitter plate.



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If you cannot achieve a snug harness fit for your child, see page 16.

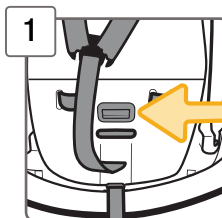
To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26-28.

⚠ WARNINGS: Make sure harness height is correct for your child's size.

Harness system must be installed correctly.

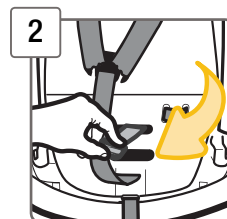
Failure to follow these steps can result in serious injury or death.

Harness System Adjustments for Smaller Infants

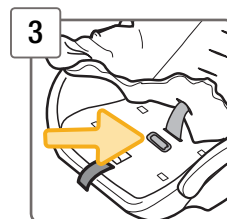


With Buckle in the 1st Slot As Shown, Turn the Seat Over

If you need to move the buckle to the 1st slot, see pages 10-12.

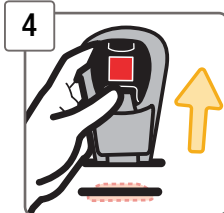


From Bottom of Seat, Pull Metal Retainer Towards You and Push It Up into 2nd Slot As Shown



From Top of Seat, Lift Pad Up and Lay the Metal Retainer Flat Against the Shell As Shown

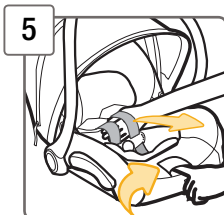
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4 Replace Pad and Check Buckle

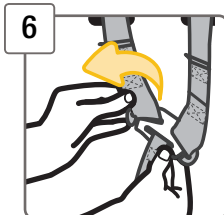
Pull up on buckle to make sure it is secured.

The buckle **must not** pull out.

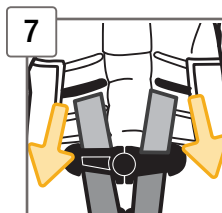


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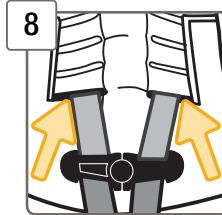
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7 Pull Harness Strap Out of Shoulder Harness Slots

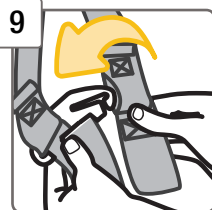


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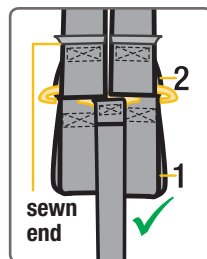
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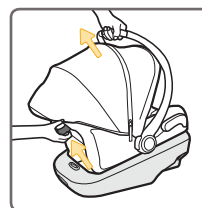
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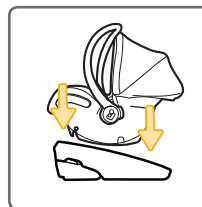
Failure to follow these steps can result in serious injury or death.

Removing and Installing Child Restraint to Base



To Remove Child Restraint from Base

From the back of the child restraint, slide the base release handle up and lift the child restraint out of the base.



To Attach Child Restraint to Base

Align the slots on the side of child restraint with the lock bars in the base.

Push down firmly on the carry handle and front of the child restraint to lock it to the base. You will hear a "click" when it is locked.

Pull up on front two corners of child restraint by infant's feet to make sure it is locked to the base.



Adjusting the Base

The base has multiple positions. From the back of the base, squeeze the base recline handle and lift or lower front of base.



When installing the base, you may have to adjust the base to achieve the right recline angle.

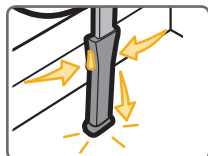
The angle indicator will turn green when correct angle is achieved.



Using the Load Leg

This car seat base has a load leg with multiple length positions. It is stored under the base.

This is an optional feature.



Please see the base vehicle install sections on how to use it.

When not in use, the load leg must be stored under the base.

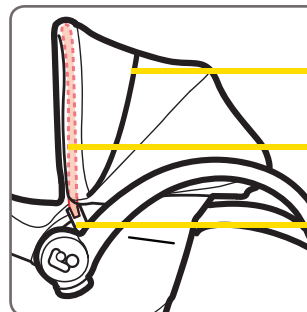
⚠ WARNING: Do not use the load leg on top of vehicle storage compartments. Review your vehicle owner's manual.



Cleaning Canopy

Hand wash using warm sudsy water. Line dry.

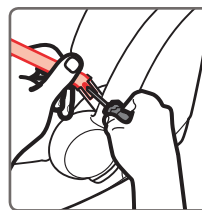
Canopy Parts



MaxShade Canopy
(zips open for extended coverage)

Canopy Hoop
(plastic strip)

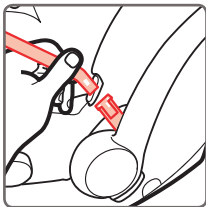
Canopy Post



To Remove Canopy

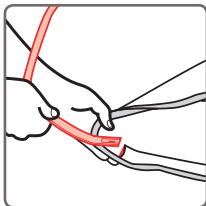
Using a screwdriver, press in on canopy tab locks on canopy post and pull the canopy hoop off the posts. Pull canopy hoop out of canopy.

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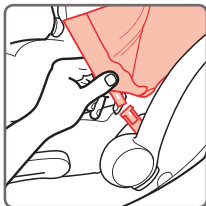


To Install Canopy

The canopy hoop has an angle that will make the canopy lean forward when installed. Make sure the angle is correct when you thread the canopy hoop into canopy.



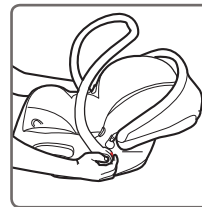
Thread Canopy Hoop Completely Through Channel on the Front Edge of Canopy



Attach Canopy

Fit back of canopy over back of shell.

Snap each plastic strip end to each canopy post.

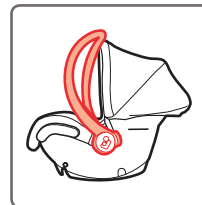


To Adjust Carry Handle

Squeeze both adjustment buttons on each side of the carry handle.

Rotate up or down to desired location. Release buttons.

Make sure both carry handle adjuster buttons are in the locked position.



Carry handle **MUST** be upright AND locked when carrying and when installed in the vehicle.



⚠ WARNINGS: DO NOT use in the seating area across the top of shopping carts.

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⚠ WARNING:

Read ALL instructions before using child restraint as a carrier.

NEVER use carrier unless child is properly secured.

Use only as a carrier by children weighing 4-30 pounds (1.8-13.6 kg) and 32 inches (81.3 cm) or less.

NEVER leave child unattended. Always keep child within arm's reach.

Suffocation Hazard: Infant carrier can roll over on soft surfaces and suffocate child. **NEVER** place carrier on beds, sofas or other soft surfaces.

Strangulation Hazard: Children have **STRANGLED** in loose or partially buckled harness straps. Fully restrain the child even when carrier is used outside the vehicle.

Fall Hazard: Child's movement can slide carrier.

NEVER place carrier near edges of counter tops, tables or other elevated surfaces.

Do not use the carrier if it is damaged or broken, or if any parts are missing.



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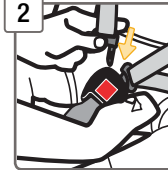


Place Child in Car Seat

The child's bottom and back should be flat against the car seat.

Position harness straps over your child's shoulders and upper thighs.

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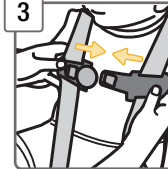


Buckle Harness

Push buckle tongues into buckle until you hear them "click".

Pull up on harness straps to make sure buckle is locked.

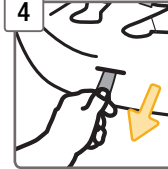
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Fasten Chest Clip

Insert right half of chest clip into left half and snap together.

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Tighten Harness

Pull on harness adjustment strap to tighten harness snugly.

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5 Position Chest Clip

The chest clip must be placed at mid-chest (even with armpits) and away from the child's neck.



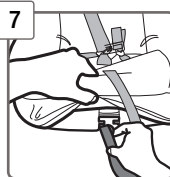
6 Check Harness Tightness

Try to pinch the harness at the shoulders and hips vertically between index finger and thumb as shown.

If your fingers slip off, the harness is tight enough.

If you can pinch the harness strap, tighten more. The harness strap should be snug throughout its length.

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.



7 Attach Harness Adjustment Strap Loop to Shell

Pull up the pad at the front of the shell. The end of the harness adjustment strap has a loop. Slide one side of the loop onto one tab and the other side on the other tab. Replace the pad over the front of the shell.

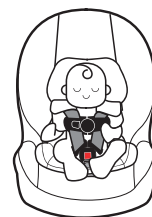


⚠ WARNINGS: Failure to fasten and tighten the harness system correctly may allow the child to be ejected from the child restraint in a crash or sudden stop causing serious injury or death.



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

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.



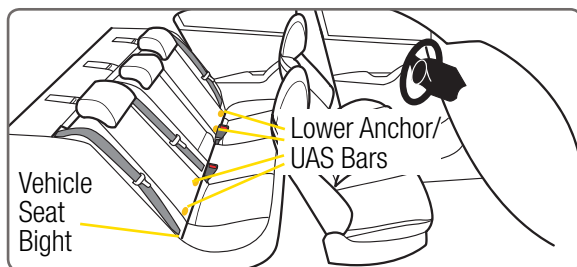
Finished!

The child is now secured in the car seat.

Check your child's fit often and make any needed adjustments to the car seat as they grow.

To Remove Child From Child Restraint:

1. Loosen Harness Strap
2. Unbuckle Harness
3. Release Chest Clip
4. Remove Child



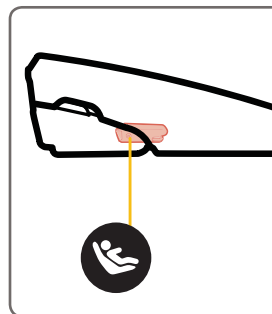
Your vehicle's features may be considerably different than those pictured here.

The lower anchors of LATCH (Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children) or UAS (Universal Anchorage System) is a universal system for installing child restraints without using vehicle seat belts.

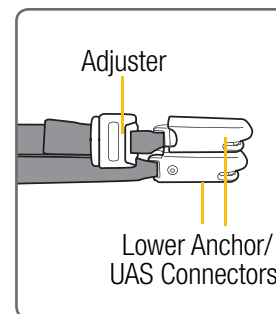
The lower anchor/UAS can ONLY be used in vehicles that have the lower anchor/UAS bars installed in designated seating positions. Most vehicles manufactured after September 2002 are equipped with lower anchor/UAS bars.

Check your vehicle owner's manual to see which seating positions may be equipped with LATCH: lower anchor/UAS bars.

⚠ WARNINGS: Do not use both the lower anchor/UAS belt and vehicle belt at the same time. When used correctly the lower anchor/UAS belt or vehicle belts are equally safe.



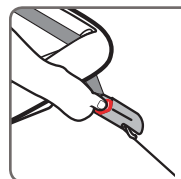
Lower Anchor/UAS Belt Storage Location



Lower Anchor/UAS Belt Parts

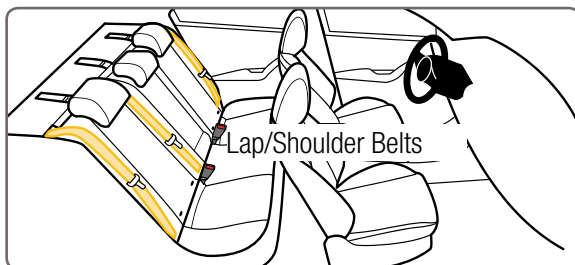
To Store Lower Anchor/UAS Belt:

When using vehicle belts or when the base is not installed in a vehicle, attach connectors to attachments on base as shown. Gently tighten to remove slack.



To Remove Lower Anchor/UAS Belt from Storage Location on Base:

Press the red release button on each connector, then pull the connectors out of the openings in shell.



Your vehicle's features may be considerably different than those pictured here.

If lower/UAS anchors are not an option, you must use the vehicle seat belt system to install the child restraint.

Not all vehicle belts and seating positions will work with child restraints.

Please go through 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 which 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.

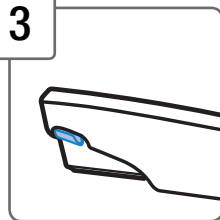
The ways this can be done are:

- By using this base's built-in AutoLock (see step 3); **OR**
- By using the seat belt's retractor (see step 4); **OR**
- By using the seat belt's latch plate (see step 5).

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The AutoLock

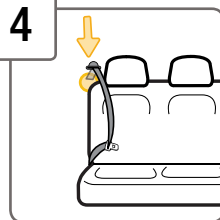
When used correctly, this car seat base's AutoLock will lock the vehicle belt.

Please go to the vehicle belt installation with base section of the manual to see how to properly use this feature.

Base Vehicle Belt Install: page 39.

If you do not use this feature, you **must** lock the vehicle belt using the retractor or the latch plate; continue to step 4.

4



Check the Retractor

Retractors pull seat belts into stored positions and lock the belt to hold passengers in place.

See the next page for some common types of vehicle belt retractors that will work with this child restraint.



Types of Retractors

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.

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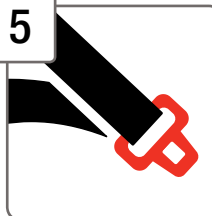
Emergency Locking Retractor

See Step 5, "Check the Latch Plates".

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 5, "Check the Latch Plates," below and on the next page.

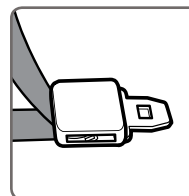
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Check the Latch Plates

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

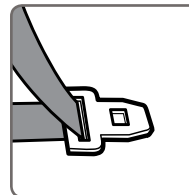
To see if the latch plate locks, buckle the vehicle belt; then firmly tug the lap portion of the seat belt while pulling it up.



If the vehicle belt does not slide through the latch plate, it's locked.

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

Locking 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 the base's AutoLock feature.

Emergency Locking Retractor with a Sliding Latch Plate

Never Use With This Child Restraint

Emergency Locking Retractor Lap Only Belt

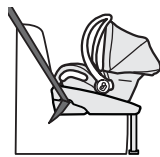


Inflatable Seat Belts

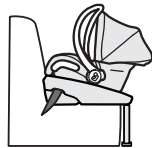




**4-30 lb (1.8-13.6 kg) and
32 in. (81.3 cm) or less in height**



Lap/
Shoulder Belt



Lap
Belt



LATCH: Lower
Anchor/
UAS Belt



⚠ WARNINGS



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

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

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

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

Child restraint must be securely attached to base.

Do not use the load leg on top of vehicle storage compartments. Review your vehicle owner's manual.

Do not refer to the level line on the shell when installing with the base.

This child restraint **MUST** always face the rear of the vehicle.

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

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.



Before you begin installing the seat into your vehicle, did you check:

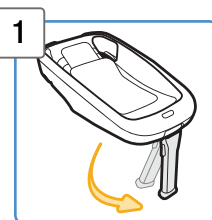


Your child's weight and height?
4-30 lb (1.8-13.6 kg) and
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Your child's fit? See page 9.
 Do you need to make adjustments to the harness height or the buckle position?

If you will not be using the load leg, start install at step 2.

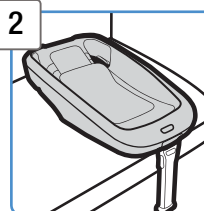


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If Using the Load Leg,
Pull it Out from Under the
Base

Do not use the load leg on top of vehicle storage compartments. Review your vehicle owner's manual.



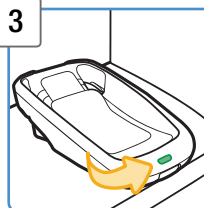
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Place Base in Vehicle
Rear Facing

Center the base in the chosen seating position.

3



Check Base Angle
Indicator for Correct
Recline

You may have to adjust the base to achieve the right recline angle.

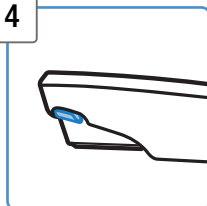
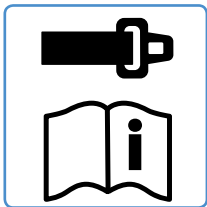


From the back of the base, squeeze the base recline handle and lift or lower front of base. The angle indicator will turn green when correct angle is achieved.

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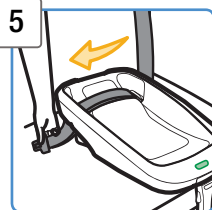


IMPORTANT!

If you will be using the AutoLock: Do not pull the vehicle belt all the way out to lock it **BEFORE** routing the belt. This will make threading the shoulder belt into the AutoLock easier.

If you will not be using the AutoLock: Review pages 31 - 36 and your vehicle owner's manual to determine what kind of vehicle belt you have and how to lock a child restraint in place.

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Route Vehicle Lap or Lap/Shoulder Belt Through Base Belt Path

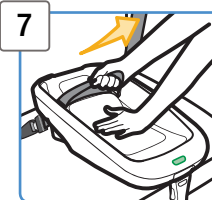


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Buckle Vehicle Belt

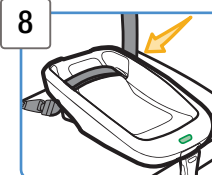
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Tighten Belt

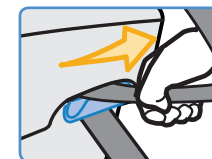
Firmly push down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling shoulder belt or free end of lap belt to tighten.

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Locate AutoLock on Side of Base That Does Not Have the Vehicle Buckle

Slide only the shoulder portion of the belt into the AutoLock as shown.

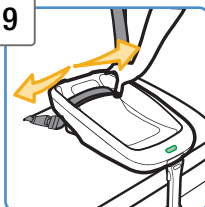


Pull it back until you cannot pull it any farther.

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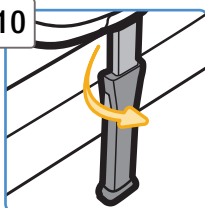
Check Belt Tightness

Hold the base 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 base. **B.** Changing to a different seating location. **C.** Switching to lower anchor/UAS belt installation if lower/UAS anchors are available in your vehicle.

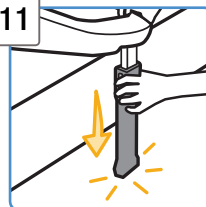
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If Using the Load Leg: Rotate It Completely Forward

If you are not using the load leg, skip to step 12.

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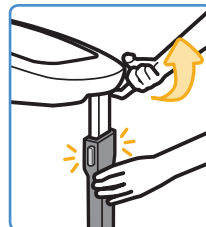
Extend the Load Leg

Squeeze the buttons on the load leg and pull it down until it meets the floor of the vehicle.

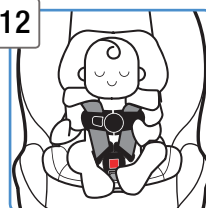
Release the buttons.

Lift the front of the base while holding the load leg in place as shown to lock it into position.

Make sure the load leg is securely locked into position.



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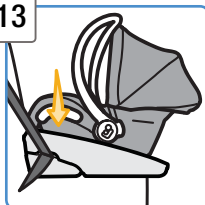
Secure Child in Child Restraint

See pages 26-28.

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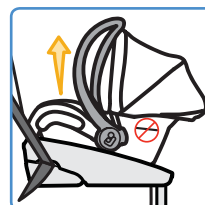


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With Child Secured in Child Restraint, Attach Child Restraint to Base

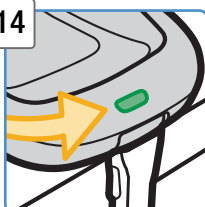
Pull up on front two corners of child restraint by child's feet to make sure it is locked to the base.



Carry handle **MUST** be upright AND locked when carrying and when installed in the vehicle.

Do not refer to the level line on the shell when installing with the base.

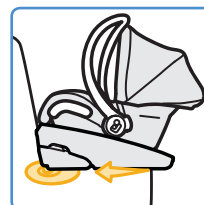
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Recheck Base Angle Indicator

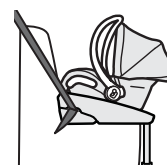
The angle indicator will be green when correct angle is achieved.

Redo the installation if not reclined correctly.



NOTE: You may need to place a tightly rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under the front of the base to help achieve the correct recline.

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



Finished!

When used correctly, the AutoLock will lock the vehicle belt in place.

After the base has been installed, if your car has a switchable retractor, you may also use it to lock the belt.

Review pages 31-36 and your vehicle owner's manual to determine how to lock the belt with the retractor.

Check the tightness of the install often to make sure it has not loosened.

Check your child's fit often and make any needed adjustments to the car seat as they grow.



LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS Install with Base

Before you begin installing the seat into your vehicle, did you check:



Your child's weight and height?
4-30 lb (1.8-13.6 kg) and
32 in. (81.3 cm) or less in height



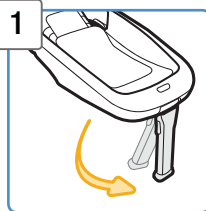
Your child's fit? See page 9.

Do you need to make adjustments to the harness height or the buckle position?

You will not be using the AutoLock feature when installing with LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS Belt.

If you will not be using the load leg, start install at step 2.

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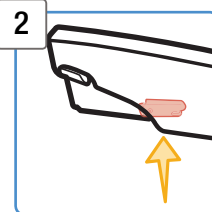
If Using the Load Leg, Pull it Out from Under the Base

Do not use the load leg on top of vehicle storage compartments.

Review your vehicle owner's manual.



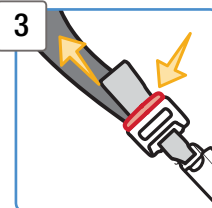
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Remove LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS Belt from Storage Location

Unhook LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS connectors from base by pressing the red release button on each connector.

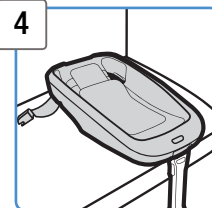
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Loosen LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS Belt

Only 1 connector has an adjuster. Push adjuster's button and pull belt to loosen.

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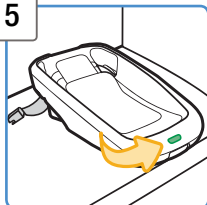
Place Base in Vehicle Rear Facing

Center the base in the chosen seating position.

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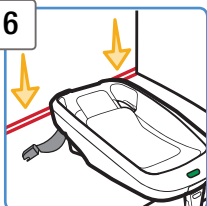
Check Base Angle Indicator for Correct Recline

You may have to adjust the base to achieve the right recline angle.



From the back of the base, squeeze the base recline handle and lift or lower front of base. The angle indicator will turn green when correct angle is achieved.

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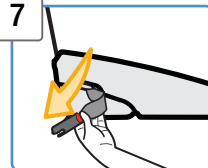


Locate Vehicle's LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS Bars

Review your vehicle owner's manual for lower/UAS anchor locations and lower anchor/UAS belt use.

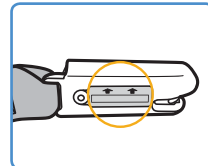


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Attach Lower Anchor/UAS Connector to Vehicle's Lower/UAS Anchor

Make sure arrows on connectors are facing up.

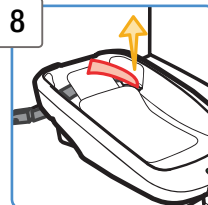


Fasten one lower anchor/UAS belt connector to the anchor located in the vehicle seat bight.



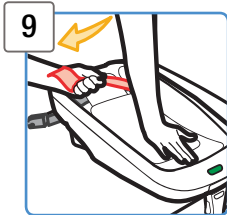
Repeat for other side of base.

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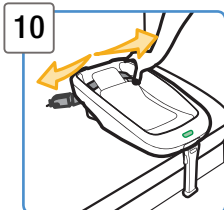
Thread Free End of LATCH: Lower Anchor/UAS Up Belt Through Belt Path Opening As Shown

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9 Tighten Belt

Firmly push down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling free end of belt to tighten.



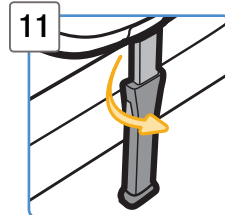
10 Check Belt Tightness

Hold the base 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).

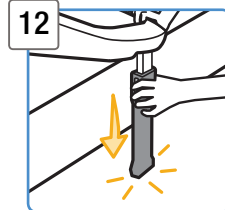
If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:

- A. Pulling the belt tighter.
- B. Reinstalling the base.
- C. Changing to a different seating location.
- D. Switching to vehicle belt installation.



11 If Using the Load Leg: Rotate It Completely Forward

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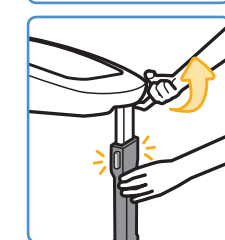


12 Extend the Load Leg

Squeeze the buttons on the load leg and pull it down until it meets the floor of the vehicle.

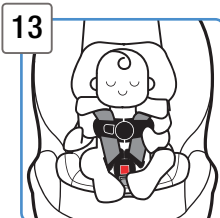
Release the buttons.

Lift the front of the base while holding the load leg in place as shown to lock it into position.



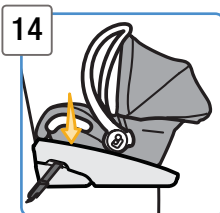
Make sure the load leg is securely locked into position.

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13 Secure Child in Child Restraint

See pages 26-28.



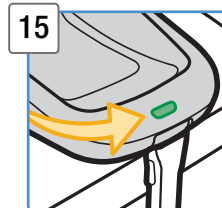
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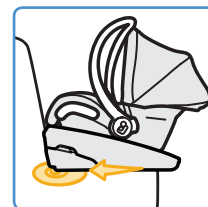
Do not refer to the level line on the shell when installing with the base.



15 Recheck Base Angle Indicator

The angle indicator will be green when correct angle is achieved.

Redo the installation if not reclined correctly.



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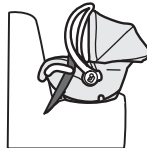


Rear-Facing Use Without Base

**4-30 lb (1.8-13.6 kg) and
32 in. (81.3 cm) or less in height**



Lap/Shoulder Belt



Lap Belt



⚠️ WARNINGS

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

Check the vehicle belt before each use.

Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and locked securely in place.

This child restraint **MUST** always face the rear of the vehicle.

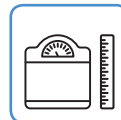
Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

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.

Vehicle Belt Install Without Base



Before you begin installing the seat into your vehicle, did you check:



Your child's weight and height?

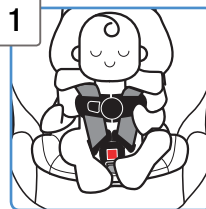
**4-30 lb (1.8-13.6 kg) and
32 in. (81.3 cm) or less in height**



Your child's fit? See page 9.

Do you need to make adjustments to the harness height or the buckle position?

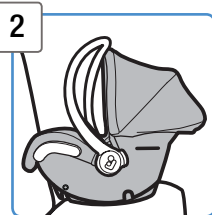
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Secure Child in Child Restraint

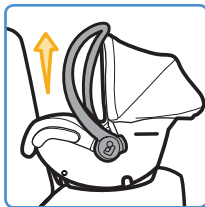
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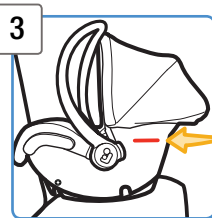


With Child Secured in Child Restraint, Place Child Restraint in Vehicle Rear Facing

Center the child restraint in the chosen seating position.



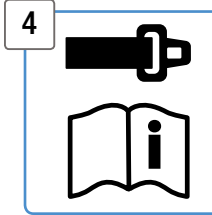
Carry handle **MUST** be upright **AND** locked when carrying and when installed in the vehicle.



Check Level Line

Check the level line on side of shell to see if it is parallel with the ground.

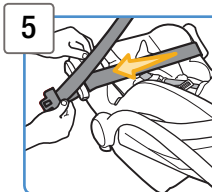
Adjust if needed.



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 31-36 and your vehicle owner's manual to determine what kind of vehicle belt you have and how to lock a child restraint in place.

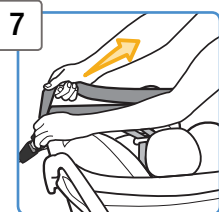


Route Vehicle Lap or Lap Portion of the Lap/Shoulder Belt Through Shell Belt Path on Both Sides of Shell As Shown



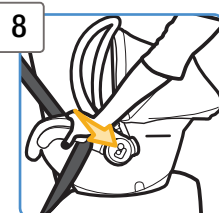
Buckle Vehicle Belt

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Tighten Belt

Lay your forearm across child restraint at the belt path while pulling shoulder belt or free end of lap belt to tighten.



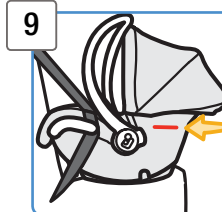
Check Belt Tightness

Hold the 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.

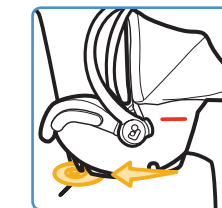
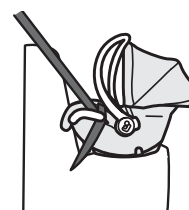


Recheck Level Line

Redo the installation if level line is not parallel with the ground.

NOTE: You may need to place a tightly rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under the front of the child restraint to help make level line parallel with the ground.

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



Finished!

Check the tightness of the install often to make sure it has not loosened.

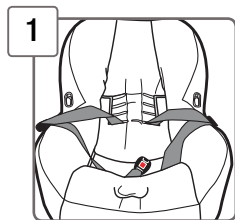
Check your child's fit often and make any needed adjustments to the car seat as they grow.

Removing Seat Pad for Cleaning

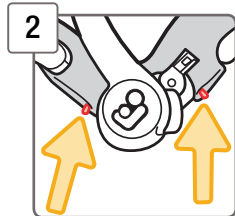
You do not need to remove the harness system to remove the pad.

To remove accessories, see pages 4-5.

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

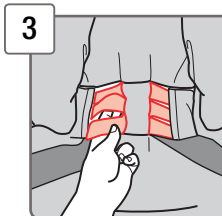


1 Release Chest Clip and Buckle

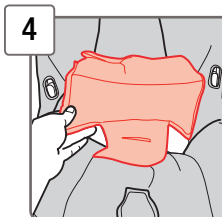


2 Pull Pad off the Pad Tabs

To release the tab, pull down on the pad and pull pad off the tab. Repeat for other side.



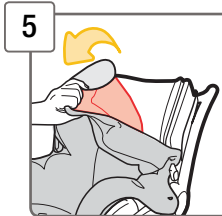
3 Pull Shoulder Harness Pad Slots Out From Behind Plastic Strip in Pad As Shown



4 Pull Back Panel of Pad Forward As Shown

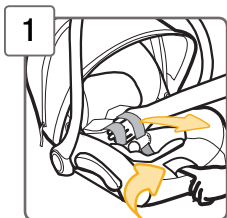
Pull buckle down through slot in pad.

Push harness strap behind the panel.



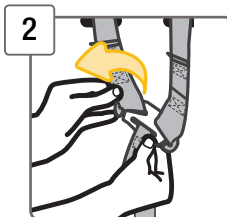
5 From the Top, Pull Pad Off of Shell

Pull buckle and harness adjustment strap through pad.

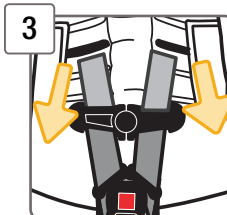


1 Fully Loosen Harness Strap

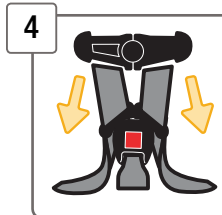
Push down on harness release lever (under flap on front of seat pad) while pulling out on harness strap as shown.



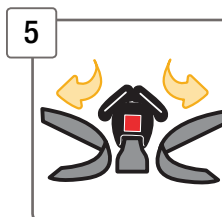
2 From Back, Remove Harness Strap Loops From Splitter Plate



3 Pull Harness Strap Out of Shoulder Harness Slots

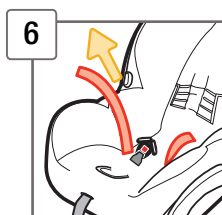


4 Unthread Chest Clip



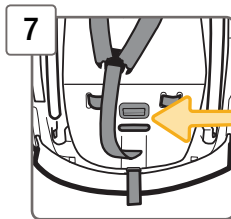
5 Unthread Buckle

Do not unbuckle the buckle.



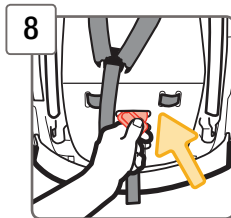
6 Pull Harness Strap Out of Hip Harness Slots

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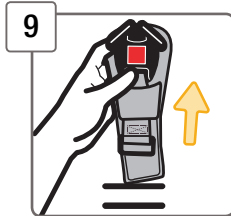


Turn Seat Over

Locate buckle's metal retainer on bottom of shell.



Rotate Metal Retainer and Push It Up Through Shell and Pad



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

Cleaning and Installing Seat Pad Set

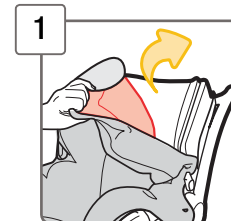
Cleaning Pads and Accessories

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 Harness Strap

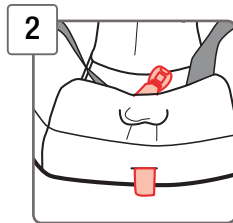
Spot clean using warm sudsy water and damp cloth.

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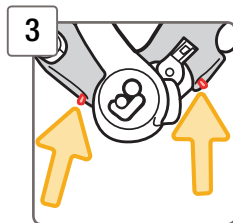


Starting From Bottom of Child Restraint, Slip Pad on Shell and Wrap Around the Top of Shell

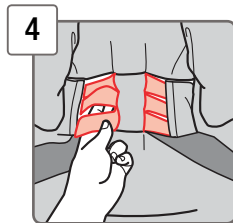
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2 Pull Harness Adjustment Strap and Buckle Through Pad



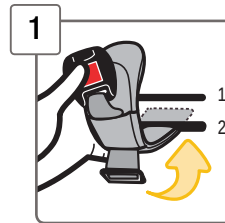
3 Attach Pads on Both Sides of Shell



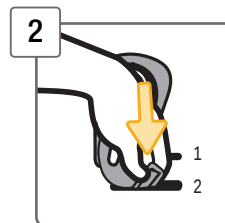
4 Tuck Pad Behind Harness Strap

Thread harness strap into shoulder harness slots in pad and push the slits behind plastic strip in pad.

See pages 4 & 5 for Accessory Use.

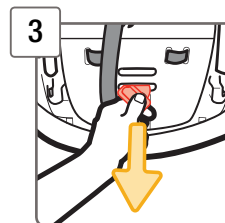


1 Slide Buckle Cover into Slot in Pad



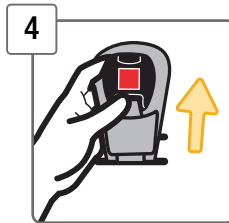
2 Insert Buckle's Metal Retainer into Same Slot as Buckle Cover

Buckle **must** face out.



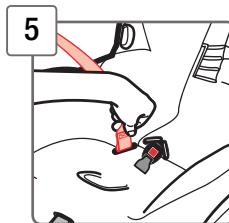
3 Pull Buckle's Metal Retainer Completely Through Pad and Shell

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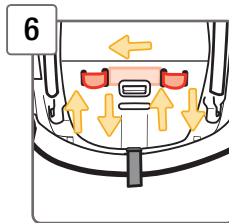
Check Buckle

Pull up on buckle to make sure it is secured.
The buckle **must not** pull out.

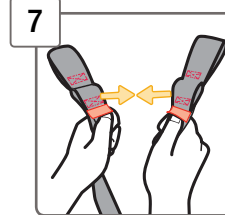


Thread Harness Strap

With sewn end of harness strap loop facing the buckle, thread harness strap down through hip harness slot.

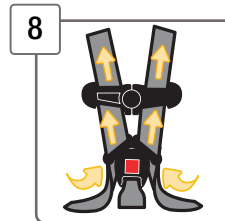


Lift Up Front of Pad and Weave Harness Strap In and Out of Shell As Shown



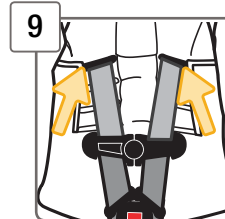
Make Harness Strap Even

Sewn ends of harness strap loops **MUST** face each other.



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.

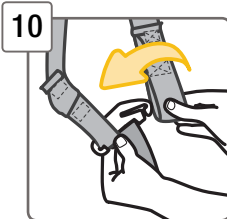


Rethread Harness Strap Into Correct Shoulder Harness Slots For Your Child

Make sure shoulder harness slots in pad are correctly lined up with same shoulder harness slots in shell.

For **Rear-Facing** child fit, see page 9.

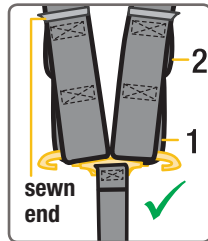
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10 Attach 1st Harness Strap Loops to Splitter Plate

Sewn ends of the harness strap loops **must** face towards you.

Do not twist harness strap or harness adjustment strap.



Make sure the **same** harness strap loops are fitted **completely on** both sides of the splitter plate.

If you cannot achieve a snug harness fit for your child, see page 16. To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26-28.

⚠ WARNINGS: Make sure harness height is correct for your child's size.

Harness system must be installed correctly.

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



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.

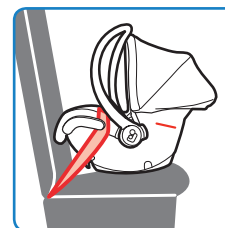
Use only on forward-facing aircraft seats.

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 back of this child restraint as shown.



Rear-Facing Aircraft Installation

Follow pages 56-60.

Replacement and Expiration of Car Seat

Do not risk your child's safety.

To keep your child as safe as possible, Dorel Juvenile Group strongly recommends replacing the car seat even after a minor crash; even if it was not occupied at the time.

Replacement After a Minor Crash

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration states that for a crash to be considered minor **ALL of the following must be true:**

- Vehicle able to drive away from the crash site; **AND**
- Vehicle door nearest the car seat was not damaged; **AND**
- No passengers were injured; **AND**
- Airbags did not deploy; **AND**
- There is no visible damage to the car seat.

If the crash your car seat was involved in meets **ALL** the criteria, you may not need to replace the car seat.

If one or more of these criteria are not true or if you are uncertain of any of your answers, replace the car seat immediately.

Replacement After a Moderate to Severe Crash

You **must** replace this car seat if it has been in a moderate to severe car crash.

This car seat is intended to protect a child in a single crash.

During a crash, the car seat and all of its parts absorb crash energy which can deform or weaken it. Damage is not always visible.

A damaged car seat must be replaced immediately.

Expiration

On the back of the child restraint there is a date of manufacture label as shown.

Do not use this child restraint more than 8 years after the date of manufacture.





! 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.

This child restraint has been certified for use in passenger vehicles. Do not use in a boat, on a motorcycle or in a cargo van or bus where there are no seat belts.

Read all instructions for additional warnings.



! Installation in Vehicle

Check the vehicle belt or LATCH: lower anchor/UAS belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be 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.

! 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.

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

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

According to accident statistics, children in rear seating positions are statistically safer, whether you have air bags, advanced air bags, or no air bags at all.

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 for USA residents visit your local Child Passenger Inspection Station. Go to <http://www.safercar.gov/cpsApp/cps/index.htm> to find your closest station.

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.

To help protect your vehicle seat's upholstery from damage, use a single layer towel underneath and behind child restraint.

1. 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.

2. 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.

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, e-mail 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>.

Your Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Email Address (optional)		
Model Number	Model Name	Manufacture Date
AB123CDE	MAXI-COSI CAR SEAT	01/22/2015
		
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Example of model number, manufacture date, and line code.



If you don't have the card or if your address changes, you will find the model number, manufacture date, and line code on the label located on the side of the shell.

If requested color is not available, similar color will be substituted. Prices are subject to change. Applicable tax and shipping & handling will also be added.

Part	Cost
Buckle Assembly	\$7.99
Seat Pad Set.....	\$69.99
Base	\$119.99
Lower Anchor/UAS Belt	\$24.99
Instructions.....	\$0.00

For availability and questions, please call us at:
1-800-951-4113; or text us at 1-812-652-2525.

Hours of Operation:

M-TH from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM EST
FRI from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM EST

If you already know which parts you need, you may complete your order with a credit card by calling us at 1-800-951-4113.

See list above for available parts. We accept Visa or MasterCard.

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. If you always buckle your seat belt, your child will think it is the natural thing to do.

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.

If you still have questions or have any concerns with this child restraint, please contact our Consumer Care Department:

Call: 1-800-951-4113

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