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

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A-1 Thank You...

Thank you for choosing this car seat, referred to throughout this manual as a child restraint. The DJG family is committed to creating a child restraint 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, 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 any concerns with this child restraint, please contact our Consumer Relations Department at:

Maxi-Cosi
Website: www.maxi-cosi.com
Fax: 1-800-207-8182
Mailing Address: Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc.
P.O. Box 2609
Columbus, IN 47202-2609
Telephone: 1-800-951-4113 8 A.M. to 6 P.M. EST M-TH
8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. EST FRI

Para recibir las instrucciones en español, llame al 1-800-544-1108 o solicítense por escrito al dirección por arriba.

A-2 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.
PO Box 2609, Columbus, IN 47202-2609
Attn: Consumer Relations
or call 1-800-544-1108 or register online at www.djusa.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 and manufacture date.

If you don’t have the card or if your address changes, you will find the model number and manufacture date on the label located on side of shell.
A. Adjustable Headrest
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B-3 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 lubricate buckles and fasteners.
⚠️ Do not substitute parts or try to modify the child restraint in any way.
⚠️ 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 bottom of the base there is an expiration date for use of this child restraint. Do not use this child restraint after the expiration date.

B-2 Installation in Vehicle

⚠️ Check the vehicle belt or LATCH belt before each use. Use only if the belt is tightened properly and securely.
⚠️ 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.

B-1 Vehicle Seating Position

⚠️ Never place a child rear facing in a seating position with an active frontal airbag.
⚠️ Check the vehicle owner’s manual for more information about airbag/child restraint use.
⚠️ For vehicles without a back seat, refer to your vehicle owner’s manual.

B. Safety Information

Failure to follow these warnings can result in the serious injury or death of your child. To help you recognize instructions which are most critical to your child’s safety, we use this symbol: ⚠️
C-1 Choosing Position for Your Child

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

9-40 lb (4-18 kg) and 40 in. (101.6 cm) or less
Rear Facing using 5-point harness
Child and child restraint are placed in the back seat, facing the back of the vehicle.

22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg) and 29-43 in. (73.6-110 cm) and at least 1 year old
Forward Facing reclined using 5-point harness
Child and child restraint are placed in the back seat, facing the front of the vehicle.

40-65 lb (18.1-32 kg) and 43-49 in. (110.1-125 cm) and at least 1 year old
Forward Facing upright using 5-point harness
Child and child restraint are placed in the back seat, facing the front of the vehicle.

C-2 Preparing to Child Restraint to Fit Your Child

You MUST make these adjustments with your child before you install the child restraint in the vehicle.

1. Loosen Harness
Push down on the harness release lever (under flap on the front of restraint) while pulling out on the harness.

2. Release Chest Clip
Press on chest clip release button and pull apart.

3. Unbuckle Harness
Press red button. Pull buckle tongues out. Place harness straps out of the way.

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4. Place Child in Child Restraint
   Place the child's bottom and back flat against the restraint.
   This will allow the harness straps to be properly tightened.

5. Check Buckle Position
   Determine which of the three slots is closest to the child.
   When using rear facing: you **MUST** use the 1st or 2nd buckle strap slots.
   When forward facing: **START** in the 1st buckle position and adjust to the 2nd or 3rd position as your child grows.

6. To Change Buckle Position
   Remove child from child restraint.
   Fully recline the child restraint. (See section C-5.) Reach under the seat between base and shell.

   a. Locate buckle strap's metal retainer under the shell.
      Rotate the metal retainer then insert retainer up through the shell and pad.

   b. From the front, pull buckle strap free from shell and pad.

   c. Insert the buckle's metal retainer through the desired slot.
      Make sure that the buckle is **facing out**.

   d. Reach under seat between base and shell.
      Pull metal retainer **completely through pad and shell**.

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

7. Check Harness Height
With child in the seat, check the location of the upper harness slot.
Follow the guidelines below and on next page to determine the correct harness/headrest height.

**WARNING:**
Failure to place buckle’s metal retainer completely through pad and shell can result in serious injury or death.

Rear-Facing Position
Upper harness slot must be even with or just below the shoulders.
If the upper harness slots are above the child’s shoulders with the headrest in the lowest position, do not use this child restraint.

8. To Adjust Harness/Headrest Height
Loosen harness straps.
Squeeze the headrest adjustment handle and move headrest up or down to the proper height and lock into place.

**WARNING:**
Do not use this child restraint rear facing if the top of your child’s head is above the top of the child restraint’s headrest.

Forward-Facing Position
Upper harness slots must be even with or just above the shoulders.
If the upper harness slots are below the child’s shoulders with the headrest in the highest position, do not use this child restraint.

Do not use this child restraint forward facing if the midpoint of your child’s head is above the top of the child restraint’s headrest.

Make sure the harness height is correct for your child’s size.
Failure to follow these steps can result in serious injury or death.
C-3 Securing Child in Child Restraint

1. Position Harness Straps Over the Child’s Shoulders

2. Buckle Harness
   Push each buckle tongue into buckle until you hear a “click.”
   Pull up on harness straps to make sure buckle is locked.

3. Close Chest Clip
   Insert right half of chest clip into left half and snap together.

4. Tighten Harness
   Pull on harness tightening strap to tighten harness snugly.
   **NOTE:** 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.

5. Check Harness Tightness
   Try to pinch the harness at the shoulders.
   If you can pinch the harness strap, tighten more.
   If your fingers slip off, the harness is tight enough.

6. Position Chest Clip
   The chest clip must be placed at mid-chest (even with armpits) and away from the child’s neck.

**WARNING:**
Failure to fasten and tighten the harness system correctly and snugly can result in serious injury or death.

C. Basic Use
C-4 Removing Child From Child Restraint

1. Loosen Harness
   Push down on the harness release lever (under flap on the front of restraint) while pulling out on the harness.

2. Release Chest Clip
   Press on release button and pull apart.

3. Unbuckle Harness
   Press red button. Pull buckle tongues out. Place harness straps out of the way.

C-5 Reclining Child Restraint

This child restraint has 3 recline positions:

Rear Facing - Use angle position 2 or 3.

The level-to-ground line on the side of shell MUST be level with the ground.

Forward Facing -
22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg)
29-43 in. (73.6-110 cm) MUST use angle position 2.

40-65 lb (18.1-29 kg)
43-49 in. (110.1-125 cm) MUST use angle position 1.

To Recline
Pull out on handle to correct angle position.
C-6 Removing Seat Pad for Cleaning

1. Place Headrest In Highest Position

2. Remove Headrest Pad
   Undo headrest pad fasteners and gently pull pad around the harness straps and off of headrest.

3. Undo Fasteners on Seat Pad

4. Unbuckle Harness
   Press red button. Pull buckle tongues out.

5. Lower Headrest to Lowest Position

6. Remove Seat Pad
   Pull the pad off the outside edges of the shell then around the headrest.
   Pull buckle through slot in pad.

Cleaning Seat Pad
The seat and headrest pads are washer and dryer safe using cold water and a gentle cycle. Harness covers must be washed and dried separately using cold water and a gentle cycle. Make sure harness covers are securely fastened when placing into washer and dryer. Spot clean the harness straps. Do not use bleach or other harsh cleaners. Do not dry clean.

WARNING:
Do not use child restraint without the seat pad. Failure to do this can result in serious injury or death.
C-7 Installing Seat Pad

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

2. Pull Harness Tightening Strap Through Slot in Pad

3. Pull Pad Over the Outside Edges of the Shell

4. Attach Fasteners on Seat Pad

5. Gently Pull Headrest Pad onto Headrest

6. Attach Fasteners on Headrest Pad
G-8 Accessories on Select Models

Harness Covers
Harness covers help provide comfort to the neck. For smaller infants, you may need to fit the upper end of the harness covers into the harness slots.
To remove, you will have to undo the fastening strips and pull them off the harness strap.

Storage Pockets
The storage pockets can go on either side of seat.
To attach the storage pockets, line both of the fasteners on side of seat up with fasteners on storage pockets.
Press fasteners together.

Cup Holder
The cup holder can go on either side of seat.
To attach the cup holder, line one of the fasteners on side of seat up with fastener on cup holder.
Press fasteners together.

Body Pillow
The body pillow adds extra comfort to your child. As your child grows, remove the pillow. Pull buckle through slot in pillow and remove pillow.

D-1 Understanding Your Vehicle
Your vehicle’s features may be considerably different than those pictured here. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual to help identify your vehicle’s specific features and locations.

Anchor Brackets
For Top Anchorage Strap (Tether) (Forward Facing Only)

LATCH Anchors
Located in the seat bight.

Vehicle Seat Belts
Consult your vehicle owner’s manual for vehicle belt use.

Safety Tip:
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 layered towel underneath and behind child restraint.
D-2 Vehicle Seating Position

Some seating positions in your vehicle may not be safe for this child restraint. Some vehicles do not have a seating position that can be used safely with this child restraint. If you are not sure where to place the child restraint in your vehicle, consult your vehicle owner’s manual or contact Dorel Juvenile Group Consumer Relations Department.

⚠️ WARNING:

Never place a child rear facing in a seating position with an active frontal airbag. This can result in serious injury or death.

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.

Safety Tip:

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 airbags, advanced airbags, or no airbags at all.

D-3 Choosing LATCH or Vehicle Belts

The LATCH System

LATCH (Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children) is a universal system for installing child restraints without using vehicle seat belts.

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

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

Vehicle Belts

If LATCH is not an option, 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. See next page and check your vehicle owner’s manual for specific instructions.

⚠️ WARNING:

Do not use both the LATCH belt and vehicle belt at the same time.
D-4 Knowing Your Vehicle Belts

Review your vehicle owner’s manual for vehicle seat belt use with child restraints. This is your best source for information concerning your vehicle.

Not all vehicle belts will work with this child restraint. This child restraint must be tightly locked in place at all times, during travel. You must determine if your vehicle’s belts are compatible with this child restraint.

Vehicle Belts

• Automatic/Passive vehicle seat belts
  You MUST have a vehicle lap belt to install any child restraint. An automatic (passive) shoulder vehicle belt may or may not have a separate vehicle lap belt. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual.

• Vehicle belts in center of the door or side panel
  You must move the child restraint to another seating location. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual.

• Vehicle belts that are in front of the seat bight
  You may need to move the child restraint to another seating location. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual.

• Do Not Use with inflatatable seat belts
  You may need to move the child restraint to another seating location or use LATCH belts only.

• ELR (Emergency Locking Retractor) vehicle belts
  These lap and shoulder vehicle belts only lock in a sudden stop or crash, and do not properly secure a child restraint alone. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual.
  To learn if you have this type of vehicle belt, gently pull the vehicle belt all the way out of the retractor (spool), let it return several inches, then pull on it again. If it moves freely, it is an ELR vehicle belt. If it is locked and will not allow any more vehicle belt to come out, it is a switchable retractor.

WARNING:

ELR lap-only vehicle belts MUST NOT be used with this child restraint.

• Switchable retractor
  These vehicle belts switch from ELR to ALR (Automatic Locking Retractor). You must have the vehicle belts in the locking mode to use them. Follow the instructions in the installation sections.

• ALR (Automatic Locking Retractor)
  These vehicle belts lock after pulling the webbing out and letting the vehicle belt go back into the retractor an inch or two. Follow the instructions in the installation sections.

Vehicle Latch Plates

• Check the Latch Plates
  Grasp the tongue portion of the latch plate (the part that goes inside the buckle) and pull straight out, in line with the vehicle lap belt. If the latch plate does not slide up and down the vehicle belt, you have a locking latch plate. You should not need to use a locking clip. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual.
  If the latch plate slides up and down on the vehicle belt, and you have an ELR retractor, you MUST use a locking clip to install the child restraint. You may not need to use the locking clip with a switchable or ALR retractor. Consult your vehicle owner’s manual.

D-5 Aircraft Information

This restraint is certified for aircraft use.

Use only on forward-facing aircraft seats. Follow instructions for vehicle installation.

Contact the airline for their specific policies.
E-1 Preparing to Install Rear Facing

9-40 lb (4-18 kg) and 40 in. (101.6 cm) or less in height

![LATCH Belt](image1)

![Lap/Shoulder Belt](image2)

![Lap Belt](image3)

**WARNING:**

Never place a child rear facing in a seating position with an active frontal airbag. This can result in serious injury or death.

This child restraint must always face the rear of the vehicle and be reclined when the child is less than one year old.

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E-2 Preparing to Install LATCH Rear Facing

**NOTE:** You may need to raise the headrest to pull the LATCH belt out.

Recheck the headrest harness height when you place your child into the seat.

1. **Remove LATCH Belt from Storage**

   | Push in the red buttons on the LATCH connectors to disconnect and pull the LATCH belt out of the forward-facing belt path.

2. **Routing LATCH Belt**

   | Insert the connector **without** adjuster through the rear-facing belt path.

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E. Installing Rear Facing

3. Pull Connector Across to Opposite Side
   Reach under pad and pull the LATCH connector across the shell in front of buckle strap and out opposite side.
   *Do not place belt over child's legs.*

   **Tip:** You may need to pull the pad off the front corners of plastic shell to help thread the LATCH belt across the shell.

4. Make sure the LATCH Belt is Not Twisted
   Replace the pad on the corners of shell if needed.
   **NOTE:** The LATCH belt **MUST** be threaded into the belt positioning guide as shown on both sides of shell.

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E-3 Installing Rear Facing with LATCH

**NOTE:** Review your vehicle owner’s manual for LATCH belt use.

**WARNING:**
- Do not use LATCH along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt.
- Check LATCH belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and securely.
- Store the tether hook to the base when used rear facing.
- Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

1. Store Tether
   Attach the tether hook to the bottom of the base as shown. Gently tighten to remove slack.

2. Place Child Restraint in the Back Seat Rear Facing
   Move the front seats forward to give you room to install the child restraint.
   With the child restraint in a reclined position, center the child restraint in the chosen seating position.

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3. Check for Proper Recline

Make sure level-to-ground line on side of shell is level with ground. Adjust child restraint if needed.

You may need to place a rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) (A) under the front of the child restraint to allow the level line on the side of the plastic shell to be level with the ground. Check often to be sure padding is still in place and the LATCH belt is tight.

4. Connect LATCH to Vehicle LATCH Anchor

**NOTE:** The LATCH's red release button **MUST** face away from child restraint and the arrows on connectors **MUST** face up.

Fasten one LATCH belt connector to the anchor in the vehicle seat located in the vehicle seat bight. Repeat for other side of child restraint.

5. Tighten Belt

Place hand in child restraint and firmly push down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling up on the free end of belt to tighten.

It may be easier to tighten the belt through the belt path opening as shown.

6. Check Belt Tightness

Grasp the child restraint at the belt path with one hand. Push and pull the child restraint from side to side, forward and back. The child restraint should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).

**NOTE:** If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), try reinstalling the child restraint or try another seating location.

Secure child in child restraint.

Recheck the recline angle. Repeat steps if not reclined correctly.

To Remove LATCH Belt From Vehicle Anchor

Remove child from child restraint.

Press down firmly on child restraint and press the red release button on each connector.
E-4 Installing Rear Facing with Vehicle Belts

NOTE: Review section D-4 to determine what kind of vehicle belts you have. Review your vehicle owner’s manual for vehicle seat belt use.

WARNING:

Do not use LATCH along with the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt. Store LATCH belts when using the vehicle belts.

Check the vehicle belt before each use. Use only if the belt is tightened properly and securely.

Store the tether hook to the base when used rear facing.

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

1. **Store LATCH**
   
   Thread LATCH belt through forward facing belt path in order to attach the connectors to LATCH attachments.

2. **Store Tether**
   
   Attach the tether hook to the bottom of the base as shown. Gently tighten to remove slack.

3. **Place Child Restraint in the Back Seat Rear Facing**
   
   Move the front seats forward to give you room to install the child restraint.

   With the child restraint in a reclined position, center the child restraint in the chosen seating position.

4. **Check for Proper Recline**
   
   Make sure level-to-ground line on side of shell is level with ground. Adjust child restraint if needed.

   You may need to place a rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) (A) under the front of the child restraint to allow the level line on the side of the plastic shell to be level with the ground. Check often to be sure padding is still in place and the vehicle belt is tight.

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E. Installing Rear Facing

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NOTE: If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), try reinstalling the child restraint or try another seating location.

Secure child in child restraint.

Recheck the recline angle. Repeat steps if not reclined correctly.

7. Tighten Belt

Place hand in child restraint and firmly push down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling up on the shoulder belt or lap belt to tighten.

It may be easier to tighten the belt through the belt path opening as shown.

With a switchable retractor, pull the shoulder belt all the way out to switch the retractor into the ALR mode before tightening. Feed the slack back into the retractor while tightening.

6. Pull Latch Plate Across to Opposite Side

Reach under pad and pull the vehicle belt across the shell in front of buckle strap and out opposite side.

Do not place vehicle belt over child’s legs.

Buckle vehicle belt.

NOTE: The vehicle lap belt MUST be threaded into the belt positioning guide as shown on both sides of shell.

5. Thread Vehicle Belt

Thread the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt combination through the rear-facing belt path.

With an ALR vehicle belt, pull the vehicle belt all the way out before threading the child restraint.

4. Pull Latch Plate Across to Opposite Side

Reach under pad and pull the vehicle belt across the shell in front of buckle strap and out opposite side.

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Place hand in child restraint and firmly push down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling up on the shoulder belt or lap belt to tighten.

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6. Pull Latch Plate Across to Opposite Side

Reach under pad and pull the vehicle belt across the shell in front of buckle strap and out opposite side.

Do not place vehicle belt over child’s legs.

Buckle vehicle belt.

NOTE: The vehicle lap belt MUST be threaded into the belt positioning guide as shown on both sides of shell.

5. Thread Vehicle Belt

Thread the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt combination through the rear-facing belt path.

With an ALR vehicle belt, pull the vehicle belt all the way out before threading the child restraint.

4. Pull Latch Plate Across to Opposite Side

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Buckle vehicle belt.

NOTE: The vehicle lap belt MUST be threaded into the belt positioning guide as shown on both sides of shell.

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Reach under pad and pull the vehicle belt across the shell in front of buckle strap and out opposite side.

Do not place vehicle belt over child’s legs.

Buckle vehicle belt.

NOTE: The vehicle lap belt MUST be threaded into the belt positioning guide as shown on both sides of shell.
F-1 Preparing to Install Forward Facing

Safety Tip:
Experts agree that children should remain rear facing as long as possible. In this child restraint, your child can remain rear facing up to 40 lb (18 kg) and up to 40 in. (101.6 cm).

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

LATCH Belt with tether up to 40 lb (18 kg)
Lap/Shoulder Belt with tether up to 40 lb (18 kg)
Lap Belt with tether up to 40 lb (18 kg)

40-65 lb (18.1-29 kg) and 43-49 in. (110.1-125 cm) and at least 1 year old.

Lap/Shoulder Belt with tether up to 65 lb (29 kg)
Lap Belt with tether up to 65 lb (29 kg)

1. Recline Position

Never place a child less than 1 year old or weighing less than 22 lb (10.1 kg) forward facing.

WARNING:
F-2 Adjusting Top Anchorage Strap (Tether)

The tether is used for the forward-facing position only.

**NOTE:** We strongly recommend that you use the tether in the forward-facing position. If your vehicle does not have an anchor bracket, please see your dealer or a qualified mechanic and have one installed. The tether can greatly improve the performance of this child restraint.

**Storage of Top Anchorage Strap (tether):**

When the tether is not in use, attach the tether hook to the bottom of the base as shown. Gently tighten to remove slack.

**To Adjust Top Anchorage Strap (Tether):**

- **Pull free end to tighten**
- **To tighten:** After the child restraint is locked into place with LATCH or vehicle belt, push down on child restraint and gently pull on free end of tether.
- **Lift up to loosen**
- **To loosen:** Lift up on top anchorage lock and push lock adjuster toward tether hook.

F-3 Preparing to Install LATCH Forward Facing

**WARNING:**

Do not use the lower anchorage system (LATCH system) to attach this child restraint when restraining a child weighing more than 40 lbs (18 kg) with the internal harnesses of the child restraint.

**NOTE:** Pull the LATCH belt out of the rear-facing belt path if you have used this child restraint rear facing. You may need to raise the headrest to pull the LATCH belt out. Recheck the headrest harness height when you place your child into the seat.

1. **Routing LATCH Belt**

   Insert the connector with the adjuster closest to it through the forward-facing belt path.

2. **Thread LATCH Across**

   Pull the LATCH connector across the back and out the other side as shown. Make sure the belt is not twisted.
F-4 Installing Forward Facing with LATCH

NOTE: Review your vehicle owner’s manual for LATCH belt use.

WARNING:
Do not use LATCH along with the vehicle belt.
Check LATCH belt before each use. Use only if the belt is tightened properly and securely.
Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

Installation Tip:
Loosely attach the tether hook before attaching the LATCH belt. Consult vehicle owner’s manual for specific location.

1. Place Child Restraint in the Back Seat Forward Facing
   Place the child restraint flat on vehicle seat bench and slide the child restraint back until it pushes against the vehicle seat back.

22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg)

2. Connect LATCH to Vehicle LATCH Anchor
   NOTE: The LATCH's red release button MUST face away from child restraint and the arrows on connectors MUST face up.
   Fasten one LATCH belt connector to the anchor in the vehicle seat located in the vehicle seat bight. Repeat for other side of child restraint.

3. Tighten Belt
   Place hand in child restraint and firmly push down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling up on the free end of belt to tighten.
   It may be easier to tighten the belt through the belt path opening as shown.

4. Tighten Tether
   Push firmly on the back of the seat and tether strap.

NOTE: Review your vehicle owner's manual for LATCH belt use.
Do not use LATCH along with the vehicle belt.
Check LATCH belt before each use. Use only if the belt is tightened properly and securely.
Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.
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5. Check Belt Tightness
Grasp the child restraint at the belt path with one hand. Push and pull the child restraint from side to side, forward and back. The child restraint should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).
NOTE: If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), try reinstalling the child restraint or try another seating location.
Secure child in child restraint.

To Remove LATCH Belt From Vehicle Anchor
Remove child from child restraint.
Press down firmly on child restraint and press the red release button on each connector.

F-5 Installing Forward Facing with Vehicle Belts

NOTE: Review section D-4 and your vehicle owner’s manual to determine what kind of vehicle belts you have.

WARNING:
Do not use LATCH along with the vehicle belt. Store LATCH belts when using the vehicle belts.
Check the vehicle belt before each use. Use only if the belt is tightened properly and securely.
Failure to follow these warnings can result in serious injury or death.

1. Store LATCH

2. Place Child Restraint in the Back Seat Forward Facing
Place the child restraint flat on vehicle seat bench and slide the child restraint back until it pushes against the vehicle seat back.

22-40 lb (10.1-18 kg)
40-65 lb (18.1-29 kg)

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F. Installing Forward Facing

Installation Tip:
Loosely attach the tether hook before threading the vehicle belt. Consult vehicle owner’s manual for specific location.

3. Thread Vehicle Belt
Thread the vehicle lap or lap/shoulder belt combination through the forward-facing belt path and out the other side. Buckle vehicle belt.

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

5. Tighten Tether
Push firmly on the back of the seat and tighten tether strap.

6. Check Belt Tightness
Grasp the child restraint at the belt path with one hand. Push and pull the child restraint from side to side, forward and back. The child restraint should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).

NOTE: If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), try reinstalling the child restraint or try another seating location.

Secure child in child restraint.

It may be easier to tighten the belt through the belt path opening as shown.
Using the 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.

Check your vehicle owner’s manual to learn how to use the systems in your vehicle. If you need a locking clip, return to the store where you purchased this child restraint to purchase a locking clip or call us at 1-800-544-1108 to order one.

Locking clips from any child restraint manufacturer are okay to use.

Remove the locking clip when the vehicle seat belt is not being used with the child restraint. A locking clip will not fix all types of seat belt problems.

Refer to section D-4 to determine if your vehicle belts require a locking clip.

Directions below describe installing the child restraint rear-facing. Same steps apply for forward-facing, except install the restraint forward-facing and thread the vehicle belt in the forward-facing belt path.

1. Place Child Restraint in Vehicle Rear Facing

   NOTE: Store tether. See section F-2.

   With child restraint in the reclined position, make sure level-to-ground line on the side of the child restraint is level with ground.

   Adjust child restraint if needed.

2. Thread Vehicle Belt

   Thread the vehicle lap/shoulder belt combination through the rear-facing belt path.

3. Pull Latch Plate Across to Opposite Side

   Reach under pad and pull the vehicle belt across the shell in front of buckle strap and out opposite side.

   Do not place vehicle belt over child’s legs.

   Buckle vehicle belt.

4. Tighten Vehicle Belt

   Place hand in child restraint and push firmly down and towards the vehicle seat back while pulling up on the shoulder belt to tighten.
5. **Locate Locking Clip Location**
Grasp both vehicle belts together just behind the latch plate and unbuckle.

**NOTE:** If the latch plate ends up just at the belt path opening, grasp the vehicle belts on the opposite side of the child restraint, as close to the latch plate as possible.

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

7. **Position Locking Clip**
Position locking clip about 1 in. (2.5 cm) from vehicle belt’s latch plate.

8. **Rebuckle Belt**

**NOTE:** The vehicle belt **MUST** be threaded into the belt positioning guide as shown on both sides of shell.

9. **Check Belt Tightness**
Grasp the child restraint **at the vehicle belt path with one hand.** Push and pull the base from side to side, forward and back. The child restraint should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm).

**NOTE:** If restraint moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), try reinstalling the child restraint or try another seating location.

Secure child in child restraint.
Recheck the recline angle. Repeat steps if not reclined correctly.

Remove the locking clip when the seat belt is not being used with a child restraint.
Troubleshooting

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 and it will be ready for next use.

3. 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.nhtsa.dot.gov/cps/cpsfitting/index.cfm to find your closest station.

Replacement Parts Order Form

Complete the form below. Your model number with color code and manufacturer date code MUST be included on the form to ensure proper replacement parts. Your model number with color code and the date code can be found on a sticker on the 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 Relations Department
P.O. Box 2609
Columbus, IN 47202-2609

Fax orders to: 1-800-207-8182

Please make money orders payable to Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc. Fill in the area below to charge to Visa or Mastercard. We do not accept personal checks or Discover Card. All outside of U.S. and Canada MUST use credit card.

Ship To (Please Print): ____________________________________________
Name: ____________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________
City: ____________________________________________
State/Province: __________________________________ Zip: ____________
Telephone: ____________________________________________
Email Address: ____________________________________________

We MUST have this information to process your order:

Model Number (8 to 9 characters): ________________________
Manufacture Date (mm/dd/yyyy): ________________________

Payment Enclosed: $__________
### Replacement Parts List

**NOTE:** If requested color is not available, similar color will be substituted. Prices are subject to change.

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**Shipping and Handling:**
- Up to $25.00: $5.95
- $25.01 to $50.00: $6.95
- $50.01 to $75.00: $8.95
- $75.01 to $100.00: $9.95
- Outside Continental USA: $10.00

**Sales Tax**
- Indiana, California, and Massachusetts residents: add applicable sales tax

**Grand Total** $ __________

No shipping and handling on instructions for quantities under 6. Add $.50 for each instruction over 6, then add applicable shipping and handling.

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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 you may contact us at consumer@djgusa.com fax us at 1-800-207-8182 or write to DJG Consumer Relations Department, P. O. Box 2609, Columbus, IN 47202-2609, or call 1-800-951-4113 from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm 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.

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