

Belt-Positioning Booster Seat



Once children outgrow their forward-facing car seat, secure them in a belt-positioning booster seat with a lap and shoulder belt until the seat belt fits properly, typically when a child is approximately 4 feet 9 inches and between 8 and 12 years of age. All children younger than age 13 should ride in a back seat.

Here's What to Do:

- ◆ Use a belt-positioning booster seat in the back seat until the seat belt fits.
- ◆ Belt-positioning booster seats raise and position a child so the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt fit properly over the strong parts of a child's body.
- ◆ The lap belt must be snug across the hips/upper thighs.
- ◆ The shoulder belt must be snug across the shoulder and chest.



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Booster seats lower the risk of injury for children age 4 to 8 years by 45% compared to children using the seat belt alone.

Right Seat + Right Time + Right Use = Reducing Car Crash Injury.

Belt-Positioning Booster Seat Checklist:

- The belt-positioning booster seat is ALWAYS used with the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt.
- Shoulder belt is snug across the center of the child's shoulder and chest.
- Lap belt is low and snug across the child's hips/upper thighs.

Here's Why:

- ◆ A belt-positioning booster seat raises the child up so the seat belt rests on the strong parts of the body which reduces stomach, neck and spine injuries.
- ◆ The correctly positioned shoulder belt keeps children from putting the shoulder belt under their arm or behind their back, which is harmful in a crash.

Note: Most children need to ride in a booster seat until age 10 - 12.

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