



TYPES OF CHILD CAR SEATS

Which child car seat do I use?



Australian Standard
AS/NZS 1754



- Use an approved child car seat which meets the mandatory requirements of the Australian/New Zealand Standard (AS/NZS 1754) for child car seats. Seats complying with the standard will have AS/NZS 1754 printed on the seat labelling.
- Do not use child car seats purchased in other countries. Only Australian Standards compliant child car seats can be sold and used in Australia.
- Make sure your seat is correct. Current seats use the child's size to determine suitability for use. Always refer to and follow the manufacturer's instructions when using your seat.
- Always check the age and history of older and second hand seats. They should be less than 10 years old, have never been involved in a crash, and still have all of its components.



Remember:

Always use your child car seat until the child has reached its maximum size limits before progressing to the next type of seat. It is important that you follow the manufacturer's instructions for your particular child car seat when deciding when to move your child to the next stage.

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Access the "Best Practice Guidelines for the Safe Restraint of Children Travelling in Motor Vehicles" or view our Passenger Safety Animation. Both resources are available on the Kidsafe Australia website. For more information on child passenger requirements contact your local Kidsafe state or territory office by visiting www.kidsafe.com.au.

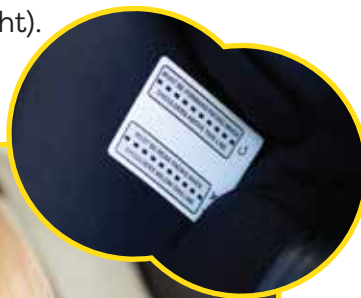


Children under 6 months of age

Must use an approved rearward facing child car seat with an inbuilt harness, that is properly fitted to the vehicle and adjusted to fit the child's body correctly.

Children under 6 months of age are not permitted in the front seat of a vehicle that has two or more rows of seats.

It is recommended to keep your baby in a rearward facing child car seat until they outgrow it. This will be when they have reached the maximum size limits (length/shoulder height).



Children 6 months to 4 years of age

Must use either an approved rearward facing child car seat with an inbuilt harness, OR a forward facing seat with an inbuilt harness (as long as they meet the shoulder height requirement)

Seats must be properly fitted to the vehicle, and adjusted to fit the child's body correctly.

Children under 4 years of age must not travel in the front seat of a vehicle that has two or more rows of seats.

It is recommended to: Keep your child in a car seat with an inbuilt harness until the child reaches the maximum size limit (height/shoulder height) of the seat. Extended rearward facing options are available on some child car seats and have the ability to take a child rearward facing for up to 2-3 years (30 months) of age.