



INSTRUCTION MANUAL

convertible car seat



Illustrations and designs may vary.

IMPORTANT: KEEP THIS BOOKLET IN THE PLACE
PROVIDED ON THE CHILD RESTRAINT.



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*Rearward-facing



*Forward-facing



Service

before you start

Thank you for purchasing this child seat. This product is suitable for newborn to children approximately 8 years old. We welcome you as a valued customer, and trust that your child will enjoy many years of comfort and safety.

No child restraint can guarantee absolute protection from a crash. However proper use of this restraint may reduce the risk of injury or death!

Need Assistance?

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Monday to Friday (8:30am - 5:00pm AEST)
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- Your safety - allows us to contact you with important product notifications.
- Confirmation of ownership - provides a record in case of product loss or theft.
- Improved product development - helps us continue to design products that meet your needs.

**To prevent loss or fading,
please attach your receipt here:**

WARNINGS

Read and follow all of the installation instructions for maximum protection. If you have any questions regarding the installation or use of this child restraint in Australia or New Zealand, please contact our customer service number provided. An alternative option is to also contact any registered child fitting station authorised by your local transport authority.

- To be used only in a rearward-facing position until the child's shoulders either reach the lower shoulder height marker (approximately 12 months of age) or reach the middle height marker (approximately 2 to 3 years of age). Then to be used in a forward-facing position until the child's shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker (approximately 8 years of age).
- Continue to use this child restraint until the child reaches this limit.
- Do not use forward facing until child's shoulders are above the lower shoulder height marker.
- Infants are at risk of serious injury if they face forward too early.
- Children are at risk of serious injury if they move to booster seats too early.
- Just using a seatbelt is not recommended for children that have outgrown this restraint. Children are safest in a booster seat until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker of the booster seat.
- Use the restraint exactly as shown in the instructions.
- Supervision of children is needed because they may be able to undo the buckles.
- **DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN THE CAR.**
- Do not alter or modify this restraint.
- Repairs must only be done by the manufacturers or agent.
- Do not allow the restraint to come into contact with polishes, oils, bleach and other chemicals.
- Destroy the restraint if it has been in a severe crash, even if no damage is visible.
- **DO NOT USE THIS RESTRAINT WITHOUT THE COVER.**
- To ensure infant's back is evenly supported, do not put more than one nappy on the baby and make sure the nappy is not thickly folded at the back.
- **DO NOT USE A REAR-FACING CHILD RESTRAINT WHERE AN AIRBAG IS FITTED IN FRONT OF THE SEATING POSITION**
- Fit the restraint firmly to the car seat.
- Fit the harness firmly to the child.
- A loose restraint or harness is dangerous.
- Do not harness an infant wrapped in a blanket or swaddled. Any blanket or wrap must only be placed over the harness and infant.
- Always secure the loose end of the top tether strap. Do not use the child restraint where this strap may fall into a split in the seat back or off the side of the seat.
- **ALWAYS ATTACH HOOK AND REMOVE SLACK.**



WARNINGS

- This child restraint is not approved for use with any connectors that connect to the car's ISOFIX low anchorages.
- **DO NOT ATTACH THIS CHILD RESTRAINT TO ANY ISOFIX LOW ANCHORAGE. ISOFIX low anchorages in cars are designed to withstand only those loads imposed by children aged up to approximately 4 years of age in a correctly fitted and approved ISOFIX compatible child restraint. This child restraint is not approved for use with the car's ISOFIX low anchorages.**
- THIS RESTRAINT IS NOT SUITABLE FOR USE WHERE THE TOP TETHER STRAP MAY FALL INTO A SPLIT IN THE SEAT BACK OR OFF THE SIDE OF THE SEAT.
- TO BE USED WITH A LAP-SASH/LAP-ONLY SEATBELT IN THE FRONT/BACK OF MOST CARS WITH FORWARD FACING SEATS.
- THIS RESTRAINT MUST BE ATTACHED TO A CHILD RESTRAINT UPPER ANCHORAGE POINT IN THE CAR. REFER TO CAR OWNER'S HANDBOOK FOR LOCATION OF UPPER ANCHORAGE POINTS. REFER TO A CHILD RESTRAINT FITTING STATION IF NO UPPER ANCHORAGE POINTS ARE IN THE MOTOR CAR.

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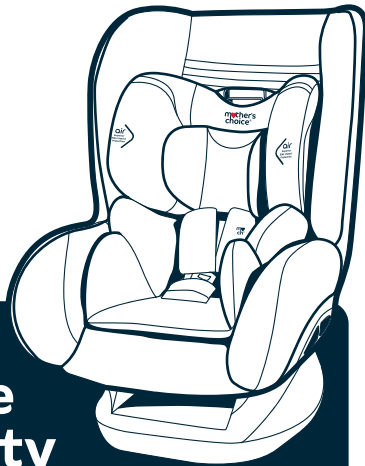
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what's in the box



convertible car seat



style
safety
comfort



Air Protect®
technology



10 position
headrest



3 position
recline



Rearward-facing
approx. 30 months*



Most compact
rearward-facing car
seat 0-8 years



Easy buckle height
adjustment



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*Rearward-facing



Forward-facing



Suitability

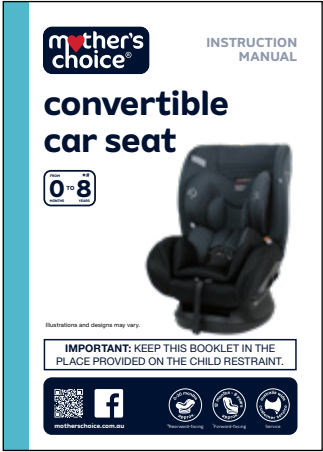


Service



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What's Included:

- 1 Car Seat
- 1 Instruction Manual
- 1 Swing Tag
- 1 Features Card
- 1 Anchor Bolt Kit



components list



- | | |
|--------------------------|---|
| 1. Adjustable Headrest | 8. Body Insert |
| 2. Air Protect Cell (x2) | 9. Belt Path Opening |
| 3. Headrest Insert | 10. Centre Front Adjuster (under cover) |
| 4. Belt Mates (x2) | 11. Seat Base |
| 5. Harness Holders | 12. Adjuster Strap |
| 6. Harness | 13. Base Recline Adjuster |
| 7. Buckle | 14. Headrest Adjuster |



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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 15. Top Tether Strap | 20. Splitter Plate (under cover) |
| 16. Top Tether Strap Adjuster | 21. Recline Position Label |
| 17. Top Tether Storage Pocket | 22. Rearward Facing Belt Path Label |
| 18. Instruction Manual Storage Pocket | 23. Forward Facing Belt Path Label |
| 19. Anchor Bolt Kit | 24. Recline Indicator |

suitability guide

Rearward Facing:

0 - 30 months old

See page 14-18 for visual guide

See page 35-48 for detailed guide



Between Mode:

12 - 30 months old

Choosing the best mode for your child

See page 13



Rearward-Facing



Forward-Facing

Forward Facing:

12 months - 8 years old

See page 19-24 for visual guide

See page 35-45 and 49-51 for detailed guide



Considerations for Rearward or Forward Facing:

- Extended rearward facing is the safest option for your child, providing them with additional head, neck and back support for long drives, whilst also removing more force and trauma from the child in the unfortunate event of an accident.
- If your child meets the lowest height marker, it is still safest for them to be rearward facing until they reach the middle height marker.
- If your child meets the lowest height marker but is unable to sit-up unassisted, then it is highly recommended and encouraged they remain rearward-facing.
- Forward facing requires less depth in the car, allowing the front seats to sit further back.
- Rearward facing offers a superior recline angle than forward facing, allowing for greater head and neck support if the child falls asleep.
- Forward facing can be more convenient for child removal and fitment.

mother's choice tip...

Mother's Choice recommends that children remain rearward-facing for as long as possible because it is the safest option for them. If you have concerns or questions about extended rearward-facing give our Customer Experience Team a call on 1300 809 526.

Rearward Facing :

Visual guide see page 14-18

Detailed guide see page 35-48

Forward Facing :

Visual guide see page 19-24

Detailed guide see page 35-45 & 49-51

NOTE: If the baby's neck muscles are unable to support their head, then the child should remain rearward-facing.

rearward-facing quick guide

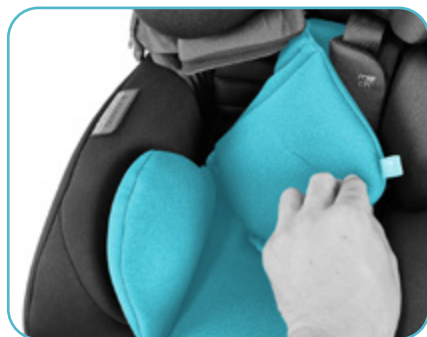
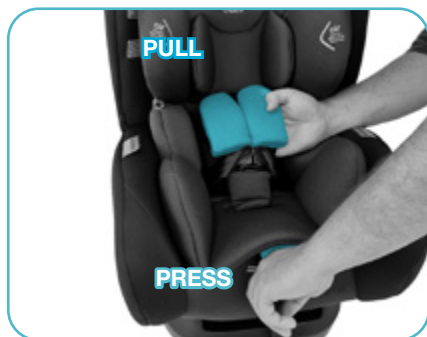
0 - 12 months



12 - 30 months



removing the inserts



NOTE: Body insert can be used in isolation to headrest insert. Inserts can only be used when rearward facing.

recline adjustment



NOTE: Only use recline position 4 for rearward facing mode.

harness and headrest adjustment



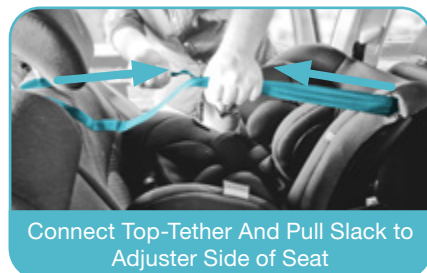
NOTE: Position child in seat and adjust headrest and harness to be level with shoulders or slightly above but not below.

rearward-facing installation

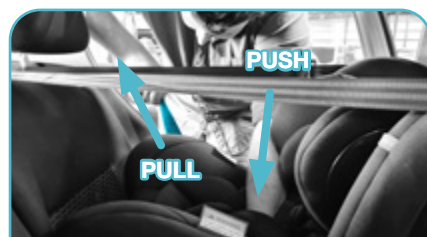
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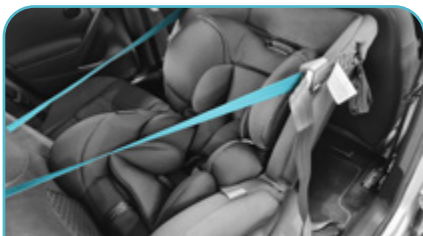
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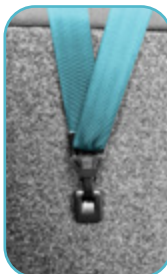
Twist & Position Adjuster Facing Out



Pull Out Vehicle Belt Slack to Tighten



No Twists Between Adjuster and Hook



Tighten to Remove all Slack From Top-Tether

forward-facing quick guide

12 months - 8 years



removing the inserts



NOTE: Inserts are not to be used when forward facing.

recline adjustment



NOTE: Recline position 1, 2 or 3 can be used forward-facing but never use position 4.

adjusting the buckle height



To Extend



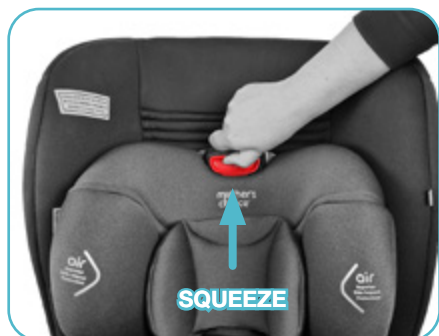
Push & Pull at the Same Time



To Shorten

NOTE: Do not use the buckle height adjuster to loosen the harness.

harness and headrest adjustment



NOTE: Place child in seat and adjust headrest and harness to be in the position closest to level with the child's shoulders.

forward-facing installation

12 Months up to 8 Years Approx.

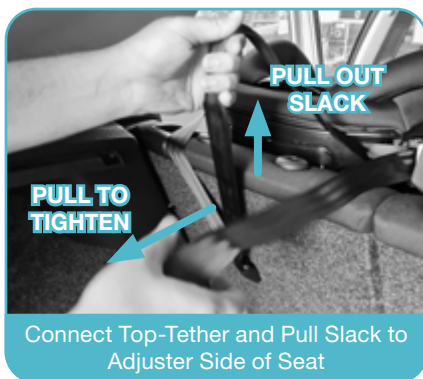


Front of vehicle

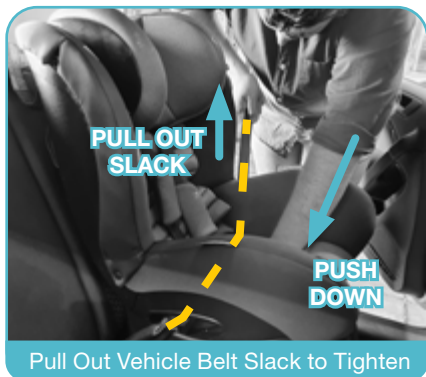
Select Recline 1,2 or 3



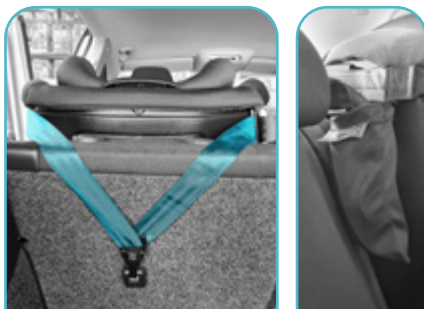
Thread through to opposing side



Connect Top-Tether and Pull Slack to Adjuster Side of Seat



Pull Out Vehicle Belt Slack to Tighten



Make Sure There are no Twists in the Top-Tether, Tighten to Remove Slack

correct in-car positions

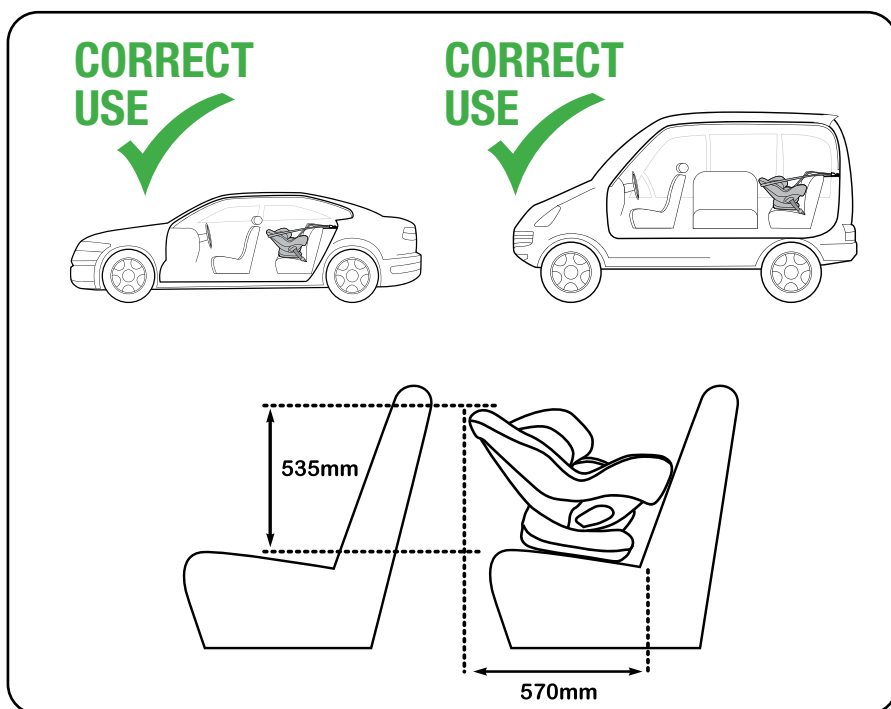
Correct Rearward Facing Vehicle Position

Some seating positions in your vehicle may NOT be safe for this safety seat. Some vehicles do not have any seating positions that can be used safely with the seat.

If you are not sure where to place the infant seat in your vehicle, consult your vehicle's owner's handbook.

Vehicle Seat Location Requirements

Children are safer when properly restrained in rear vehicle seating positions. Whenever possible, secure the infant seat in the centre position of the seat directly behind the front seats.



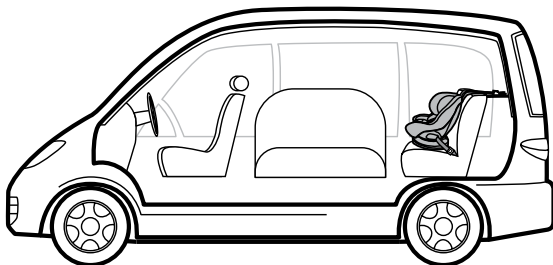
WARNING

IMPROPER PLACEMENT OF THE SAFETY SEAT INCREASES THE RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY OR DEATH.

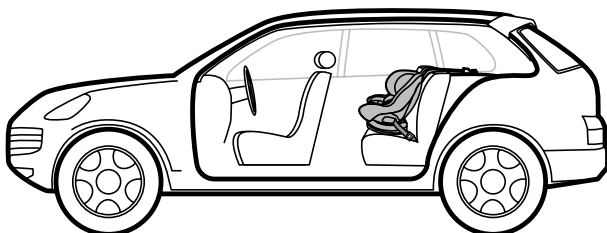
correct in-car positions

Correct Forward-Facing Vehicle Position

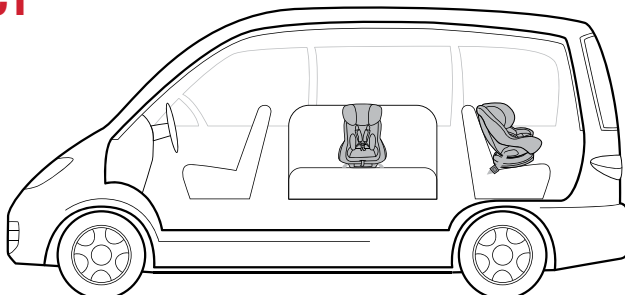
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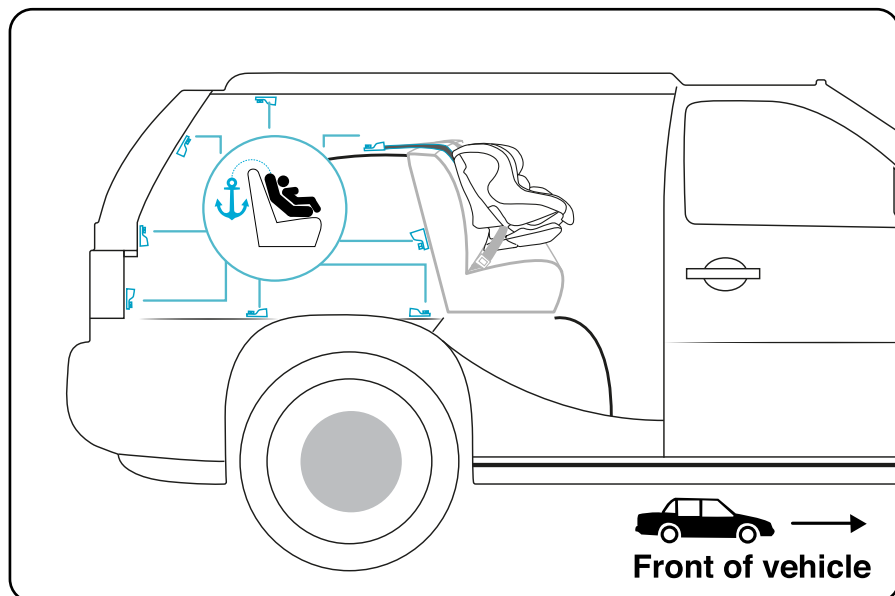


**INCORRECT
USE**



connecting the top-tether

Location of Top-Tether Anchorage Point



NOTE: The anchor point can be found in different locations in different cars. The illustration above shows possible locations of anchor points. Sometimes it is on the parcel shelf in sedans, and on the floor area in station wagons, vans and hatchbacks. Make sure that you do not confuse the luggage hook in the back of a station wagon with anchor points. Refer to your owner's manual.

An extension strap may be needed for vehicles without a fixed parcel shelf. Extension straps and extra fittings are available from various stores.

Use of aftermarket accessories not meeting AS/NZS 8005 could cause injury or death.

Extension straps 300mm ref no. 015057	Extension straps 600mm ref no. 015058
Anchor bolt kit ref no. 014400	Locking clip ref no. 014401

connecting the top-tether

Checking for Correct Connection

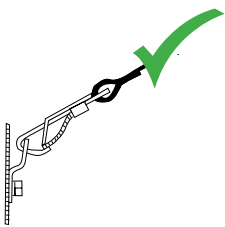
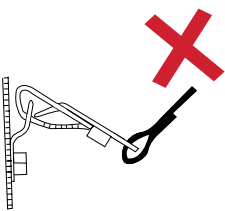
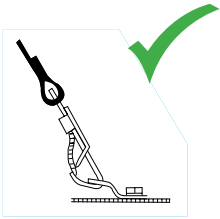
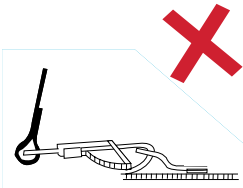
Child restraints must be used correctly to provide proper protection for your child. The anchorage system on child restraint must be used in the correct way.

CORRECT

Make sure there is no slack in the top tether strap and the attachment clip is upright in the anchorage fitting.

INCORRECT

The clip must not lie flat on the anchorage fitting.

INSTALLATION	CORRECT	INCORRECT
FIGURE 1 Anchorages in vertical panel at rear of vehicle		
FIGURE 2 Floor mounted anchorages		

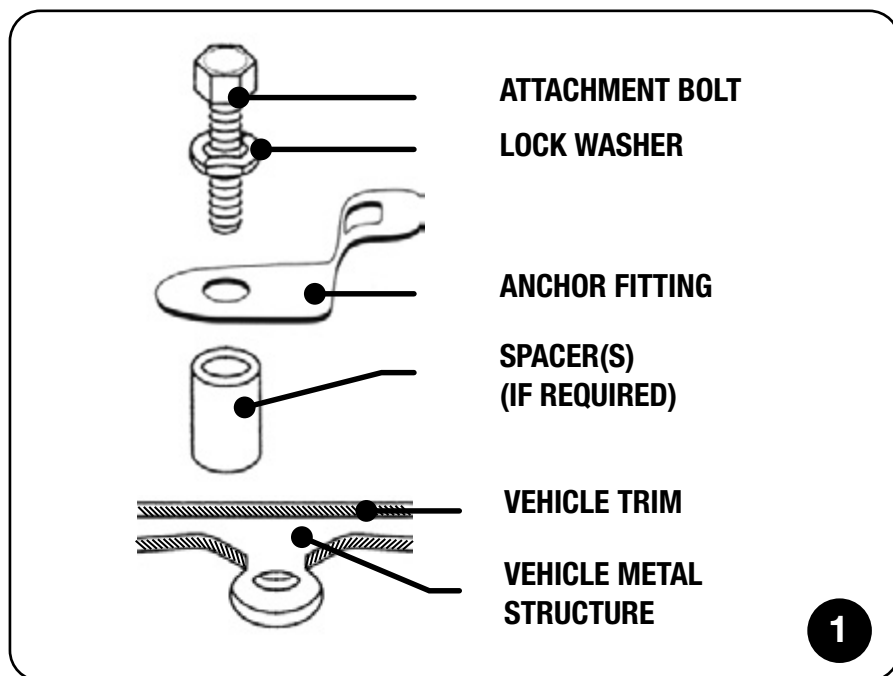
anchorage fitting installation



For Cars fitted with a Child Restraint Upper Anchorage Point

Locate the upper anchorage point behind the rear seating position (consult the car owner's handbook for the location of the upper anchorage point).

Remove the thread plug from the parcel shelf/floor/roof and install the attachment bolt as shown in Figure 1.



CAUTION: Do not overtighten the attachment bolt. Overtightening may fracture or break bolt. Maximum torque is 20Nm.

anchorage fitting installation

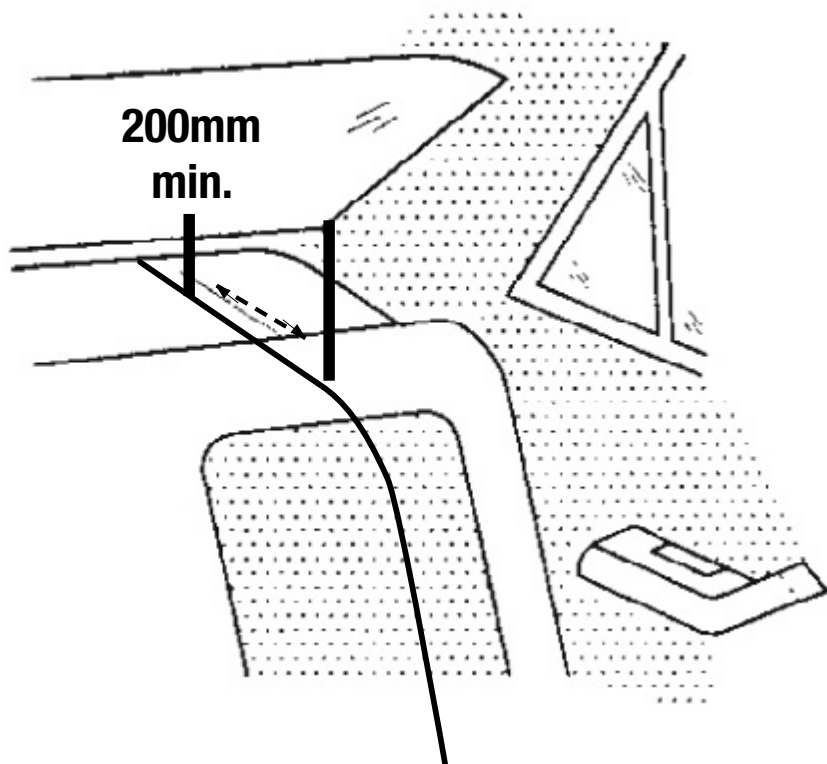


For Cars not Fitted With a Child Restraint Upper Anchorage Point

For Sedans Only

Drill a 9mm diameter hole in the parcel shelf on the centre-line of the seating position as shown in Figure 2.

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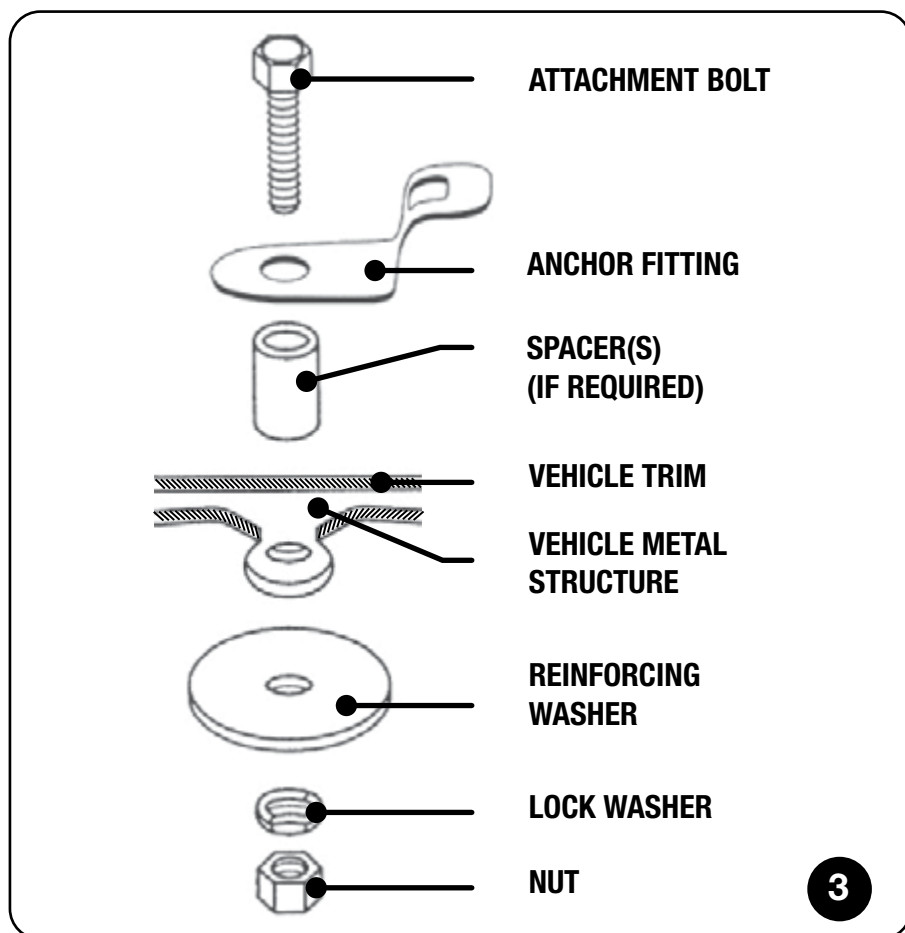


CENTRE LINE OF SEATING POSITION

2



Install the anchor bolt as shown in Figure 3. It is recommended that this installation be carried out by a child restraint fitting station or licensed motor mechanic.



For Vehicles Other Than Sedans

In Australia, consult your nearest child restraint fitting station or traffic authority for vehicle inspection to find the best, correct position for the placement of the upper anchorage point, and for the correct attachment bolt length and use of spacers. In New Zealand, consult the agent for the vehicle.

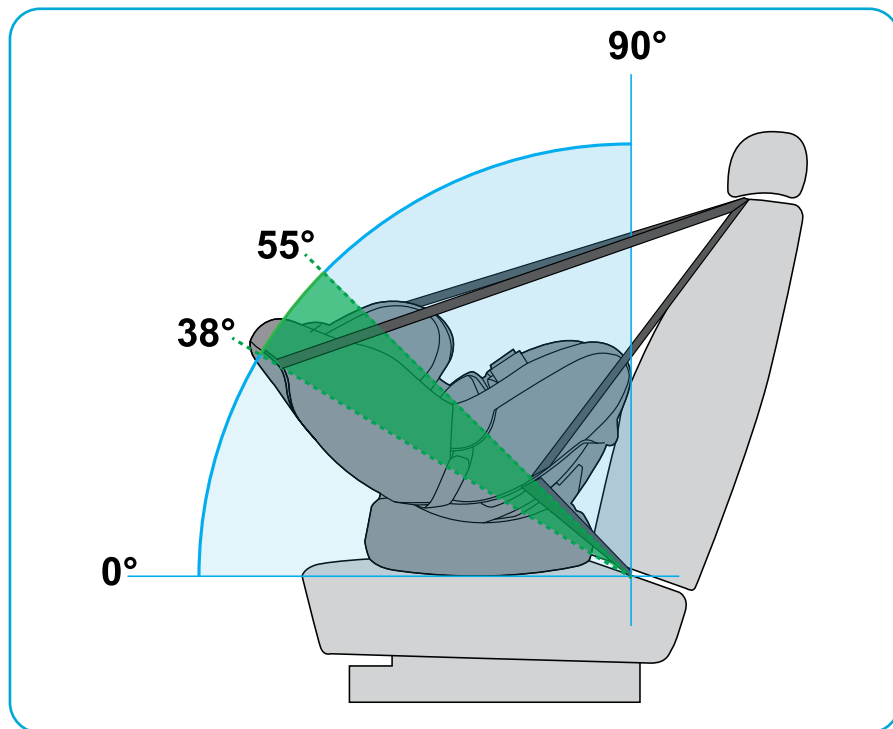
 WARNINGS

- CHILD RESTRAINTS MUST NOT BE ATTACHED TO UNSOUND METAL OR TO WOOD OR SYNTHETIC STRUCTURES. WHEN DRILLING THE 9mm HOLE DO NOT DRILL THROUGH FUEL LINES, FUEL TANKS, ELECTRICAL WIRING, OR RADIO SPEAKERS. WEBBING STRAPS MUST BE PROTECTED FROM SHARP CORNERS AND EDGES.
- THE ANCHOR FITTING MUST BE USED ONLY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. IT MUST NOT BE HOOKED ONTO ANY OTHER OBJECT.
- Seatbelt extenders are not recommended to be used if the seatbelt is not long enough to secure the child restraint. If seat belts are too short then advice should be sought from a child restraint fitter and their recommendation be considered before using a seatbelt extender.
- Always check the measurements between the front of the seat back of the rear seat and all front seats in the car in which the child restraint is intended to be used, to ensure that the space is sufficient.
- Use of aftermarket accessories (i.e. items not provided in the box with the child restraint), can reduce the safety provided by child restraint and may cause injury or death. For approved aftermarket accessories please refer to page 27.
- The use of child restraints in the front seat may be restricted for children of specific ages by local legislation. Please check with your local legislation regarding any restriction for child restraint. If a car has two or more rows of seats, children under four must not travel in the front seat. If all seats, other than the front seats, are being used by children under seven years, children aged between four and six years (inclusive) may travel in the front seat, provided they use an approved child restraint or booster seat.

CAUTION: The restraint system shall not be used by more than one occupant at any one time

correct seat angle

All vehicle seats are different which may position the child restraint too upright or reclined for the child's comfort. The diagram below indicates the recommended installation angle range of child restraints specific to this manual. The child restraint's backrest angle should not exceed 55° or fall below 38° (measured from the horizontal plane) when installed.



If in some rare instances you are unable to meet the installation recommendations as described above, please consult with a Professional Child Restraint Installation Specialist.

NOTE: These recommendations are specific only to the child restraint model(s) referenced in this instruction manual. Please check your specific manual closely for installation recommendations for alternative restraints.



WARNINGS

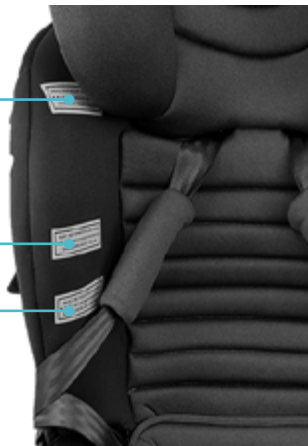
- **DO NOT** install convertible child restraints excessively reclined.
- **DO NOT** adjust harness or tether strap hardware such that it sits too close to the occupant.
- Ensure that correct seatbelt path is used and that the restraint is installed in the correct direction for rearward facing application refer to page 11.
- **DO NOT** wrap baby in a blanket or swaddled as infant can be ejected and killed in an accident.
- Ensure the harness fits the baby firmly.
- Ensure that any blanket or other covering may only be placed over the harness after the harness is adjusted firmly.
- The infant's legs are not be bound or wrapped together and the arms are not bound or wrapped together.
- Care and attention to be given to ventilation and shading of the occupant.

shoulder height markers

UPPER HEIGHT MARKER (A)

MIDDLE HEIGHT MARKER (B)

LOWER HEIGHT MARKER (C)



UPPER HEIGHT MARKER (A)

SHOULDERS BELOW THIS LINE WHEN



HEADREST AT HIGHEST POSITION

Forward Facing

For toddler use up to approx 8 years old or when the child's shoulders reach the shoulder height marker at which point you must move to the next car seat.

MIDDLE HEIGHT MARKER (B)

MUST BE FORWARD FACING WHEN



SHOULDERS ABOVE THIS LINE

Rearward Facing

For toddler use up to approx. 30 months old or when the child's shoulders reach the shoulder height marker at which point you must turn the seat forward-facing.

LOWER HEIGHT MARKER (C)

MUST BE REAR FACING WHEN



SHOULDERS BELOW THIS LINE

Rearward Facing

For newborn use up to approx. 12 months old or when the child's shoulders reach the shoulder height marker at which point you can continue to use rearward-facing until the middle height marker, or turn the car seat forward-facing.



WARNINGS

- Continue to use this child restraint until the child reaches the Upper Height Marker.
- Do not use forward facing until child's shoulders are above the lower shoulder height marker.
- Infants are at risk of serious injury if they face forward too early.
- Children are at risk of serious injury if they move to booster seats too early.
- Children who have outgrown this restraint are safest in a larger child restraint with an in-built harness or a booster seat until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker of the restraint.
- The child restraint is unsuitable for the occupant when the shoulders are above the upper marker. The child needs to be moved into the next form of child restraint (booster seat) when they reach the top shoulder height marker.

NOTE: If the baby's neck muscles are unable to support their head, then the child should remain rear facing.

configuring seat for child fitment



fastening the buckle

1. To release, press the red button to unfasten the buckle.



2. To fasten, insert one buckle tongue as shown in image.

You will not hear a “click”.



3. Insert the second buckle tongue as shown.

Now listen for a “click”.



4. Remember to always pull up on the harness straps to make sure buckle is locked tightly.



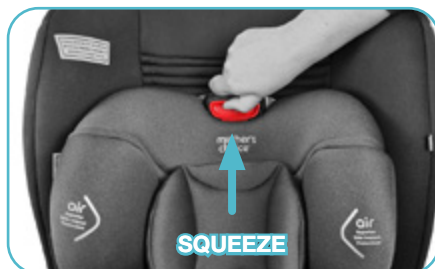
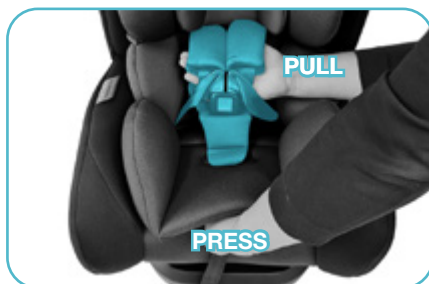
WARNING

DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN THE CAR.

configuring seat for child fitment

Adjusting the Harness Fitment:

1. To loosen, push-down on the harness release lever at the front of the seat and pull the shoulder straps.
2. To tighten, pull on the adjuster strap at the front of the seat. For tightening tips, see page 40.
3. Press the red button on the buckle to release the assembly. Pull the buckle tongues over the sides of the seat and loop them through the elastic holders (see page 39) for ease of child fitment.



Adjusting Headrest and Harness Height for Child Fitment:

4. Estimate harness height based on recommendations on page 42.
5. Squeeze the adjuster to release headrest mechanism, pull or push simultaneously to adjust headrest up or down.
6. Release adjuster when desired height is reached, ensuring the headrest is locked in position.
7. Place child in the seat.
8. Fasten buckle assembly, listen for 'CLICK'.
9. Pull adjuster strap to tighten.
10. Re-adjust harness and headrest until desired height is reached.



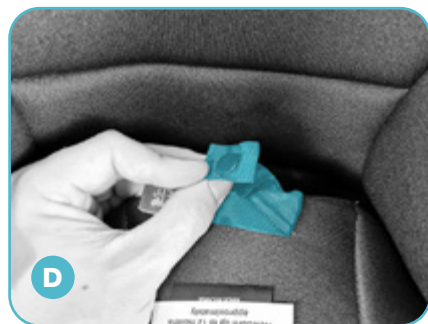
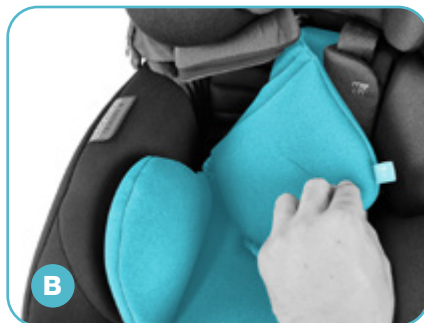
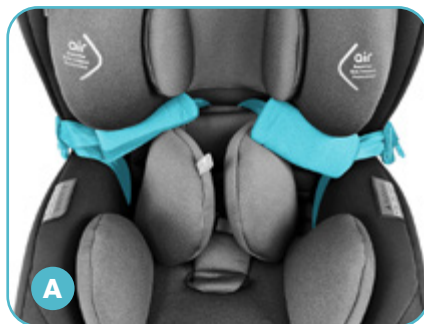
NOTE: Always adjust the height of the shoulder straps as the child grows

NOTE: Position child in seat and adjust headrest and harness to be level or in the closest position allowable for your installation mode.

WARNING: DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN THE CAR.

Removing the Body Insert:

1. Loosen the harness as per page 38.
2. Release the buckle assembly by pressing the red button and pull the buckle tongues over the side of the seat, looping them through the elastic holders (image A).
3. Pull each side wing of the insert through the harness straps as shown (image B).
4. Push buckle through the insert hole and insert will be released (image C).



Removing the Head Insert:

1. Undo the press studs located beside the shoulder strap slots and pull the headrest back panel (refer to page 55 if needed) in front of harness.
2. Reach behind the back support panel to locate the insert's press stud and release it to remove (image D).

NOTE: Body and headrest inserts are not to be used for forward facing.

NOTE: Inserts are only recommended for the first 12 months approximately when rearward facing.

NOTE: Body insert can be used in isolation to headrest insert.

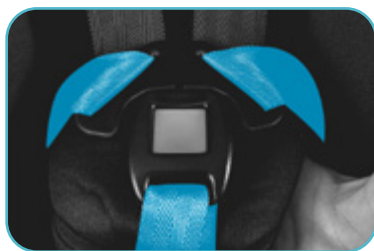
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Tightening the Harness:

Before pulling on adjuster strap to tighten harness, pull on harness shoulder straps first to remove slack from the waist area.

Once slack is removed, pull on adjuster strap so that the harness fitment over the shoulders is firm.

Pinch the straps near the top of the shoulder to check for desired tension, this is achieved when you are unable to pinch any belt. You may need to use a ratchet motion (firm, short pulls) after tightening to remove additional slack.



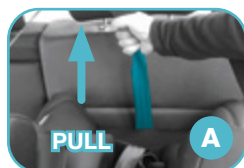
NOTE: Ensure shoulder straps are not being caught between child's back and the car seat as this can make tightening more difficult. Always check and ensure shoulder straps are level or in the closest position allowable for your installation mode.

NOTE: Always tighten the harness by pulling the adjuster strap straight.

CAUTION: When tightening harness.

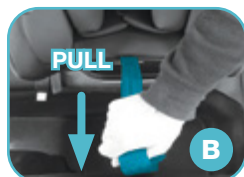
When the car seat is installed rearward facing, tighten harness by pulling the adjuster strap up and straight as shown in **image a**.

Avoid pulling the strap at an angle as this could accelerate wear and decrease longevity of use.



When the car seat is installed in forward facing, tighten harness by pulling the adjuster strap forward and straight as shown in **image b**.

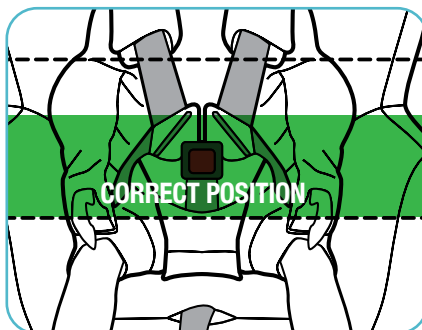
Avoid pulling the strap at an angle as this could accelerate wear and decrease longevity of use.



buckle height adjustment

When adjusting the buckle height, it should be positioned on the lower abdomen of the child when fastened. As your child grows, this will need to be adjusted accordingly.

This adjustment can be completed in the car so there is no need to undo your installation.



Increasing the Buckle Height:

1. Release the press studs on the seat fabric's back panel (refer to page 54 for more detail) and pull the back panel forward to expose the buckle's mounting points in the seat.
2. Connected to the buckle strap is an adjuster, press on the lever and pull on the buckle simultaneously to extend the height as shown in **images A and B**. Release the lever when the desired height is reached.
3. If using the seat with the buckle pad, note it has an extendible feature to match the height of the buckle. To increase its height simply pull it through the buckle hole in the seat pad.



Lowering the Buckle Height:

4. Pull on the buckle adjuster strap as shown in **image C**.
5. To reduce the height of the buckle pad, thread it through the seat pad until the desired height is reached.



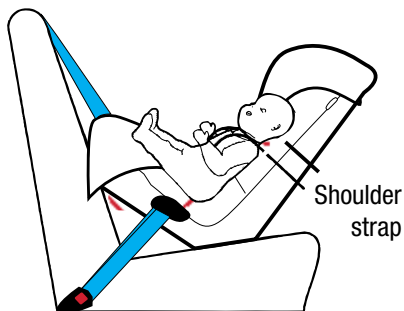
NOTE: Do not use the buckle height adjuster to loosen the harness.

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rearward-facing

(Newborn to approximately 30 months)



The shoulder straps must be in the slots which are nearest to the child's shoulders, but not lower than the child's shoulders.



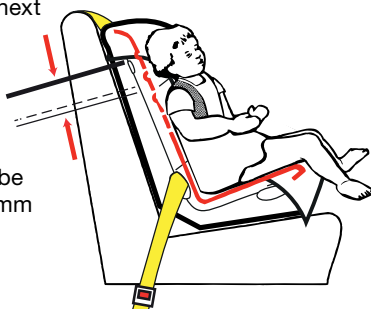
forward-facing

(12 months to 8 years)

Strap can be next slot above

Child shoulders

Strap cannot be more than 25mm below



The shoulder straps must be in the slots which are nearest to the child's shoulders, but not more than 25 mm below the child's shoulders.

NOTE: Moving the headrest will automatically adjust the harness height.

IMPORTANT: Always ensure that the harness adjuster is free from any obstructions to avoid harness straps loosening.

recline adjustment

The seat is fitted with 3 forward-facing recline positions. The 4th and most reclined position is for rearward-facing use ONLY.

1. Place hand under seat and squeeze the red recline handle.
2. Whilst squeezing, tilt the seat back gently to recline.
3. Release the handle when desired mode is reached.



NOTE: Never use Position 4 for forward-facing.



WARNINGS

- Always adjust the height of the shoulder straps as the child grows.
- Failure to fasten and tighten the harness system correctly can result in serious injury or death.

checklist before installation

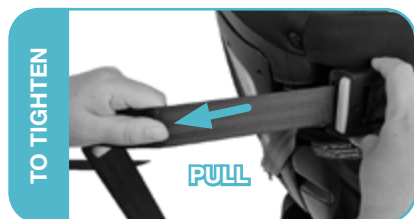
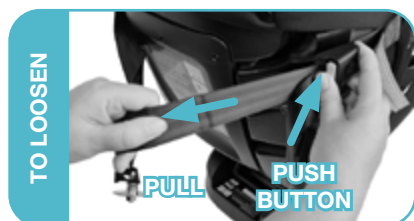
Rearward-Facing

-  Check that your child's upper shoulders are NOT above the middle height marker and if they are, convert to forward facing.
-  Harness height is level or above shoulder but not below.
-  Rearward facing recline setting 4 is selected.
-  Crutch buckle is adjusted to sit over child's lower abdomen.

Forward-Facing

-  Check that your child's upper shoulders are NOT below the minimum height marker and if they are, convert to rearward facing. Refer to page 35, 42 and 43.
-  Check that your child's upper shoulders are NOT above the upper height marker and if they are, convert into a seat for children above 8 years of age. Refer to page 59.
-  Infant body and headrest inserts have been removed.
-  Harness height is level or in the slot closest to child's shoulder height.
-  Forward facing recline setting 1, 2 or 3 is selected.
-  Crutch buckle is adjusted to sit over child's lower abdomen.

Adjusting the top-tether strap



To Loosen:

Press on the adjuster button with thumb and pull strap back the adjuster.

To Tighten:

Adjust top tether strap and remove slack. Pull loose end of strap to tighten.

NOTE: Store the excess webbing in the pocket provide on the side of the child restraint.



WARNINGS

CAUTION: CHILDREN CAN BE INJURED OR RESTRAINTS AND TOP TETHER STRAP DAMAGED BY UNSECURED CARGO IN A COLLISION. SECURE OR REMOVE HAZARDOUS CARGO BEFORE USING THIS CHILD RESTRAINT.

- Always secure the loose end of the top tether strap to prevent it hanging out of the car or being accessible by the child.
- When not in use, fold hanging tether strap and place in storage pocket provided.

rearward-facing installation

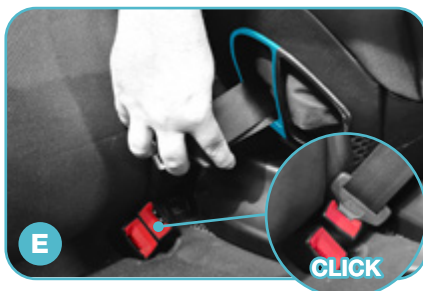


1. Adjust the restraint into recline position four (full recline) for rearward facing as shown in **image A**.
2. Place the restraint facing rearwards on either of the back vehicle seats, centred and in line with a top tether anchorage point.
3. Pull out an appropriate amount of vehicle seatbelt slack (using the seatbelt designed for the vehicle seat selected) and thread the belt through the **BLUE** belt path as labelled. Start with the side of the restraint that is closest to the vehicle seatbelt retractor and continue across the seat, through the alternative slot as labelled, finally fastening into the buckle. Refer to **images B, C, D and E**.

NOTE: Belt should be threaded underneath the seat fabrics, never on top.

4. Before continuing the install, check and make sure restraint is centred to the rear vehicle seat, the base is stable and the restraint is not lopsided in anyway.

RECLINE SETTING 4





5. Loosen top-tether strap and connect the anchor clip to the anchor point as shown in **image H**. Please note, you will need to remove the anchor bolt kit from the anchor clip if the seat is straight out of the box.
6. Check to ensure there are no twists in the top-tether belt path as shown in **image G**. Only one turn is permitted at the adjuster, allowing it to be positioned outwards as shown in **image F**, for ease of adjustment when removing and placing the child in seat.
7. With the top-tether connected, pull all the slack in the loop to the adjuster side of the seat as shown in **image I**.
8. Pull on the top-tether's adjuster strap to tighten and only tighten to remove excess length, keep strap loose for now (**image J**).
9. Before continuing install, ensure that after removing excess top-tether length there are still no twists in the path as per step six.



Twist & position adjuster facing out

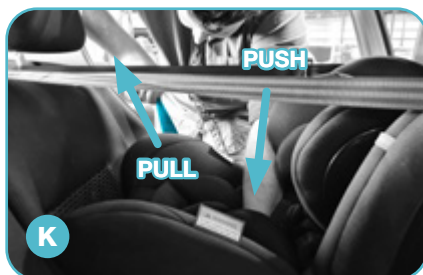


rearward-facing installation



Front of vehicle

10. To tighten the installation, begin by pushing down into the car seat with one hand using maximum force whilst simultaneously pulling up on the vehicle seatbelt, feeding it back into the retractor as shown in **image k**. Continue this step until the installation is as firm as possible.
11. To finish the install, tighten the top-tether strap to remove all the remaining slack. Be careful to not over tighten, only remove slack. To ensure this, check to make sure the base is not lifted and is still flat, sitting evenly across the vehicle seat.
12. Once finished, gather the excess webbing and store it in the tether bag provided as shown in **image L**.



NOTE: There is an option to install seat using seat belt with accessory locking clip. Please see instructions provided with locking clip for installation.

NOTE: If the car seatbelt is not long enough to secure the child restraint, do not use seatbelt extenders.

IMPORTANT: Always attach the top tether strap to the child restraint upper anchorage in your car. Refer to owner's manual.

forward-facing installation



1. Adjust the restraint into upright or recline, by positioning the seat into either position 1, 2 or 3 as shown in **image A**.
2. Loosen top-tether strap, enough to position the clip away from the back cover. This will prevent it from becoming wedged against the vehicle seat when installing.
3. Place the restraint facing forwards on either of the back vehicle seats, centred and in line with a top tether anchorage point. Be mindful to ensure the top-tether clip does not become stuck between the backrest and vehicle.
4. Pull out an appropriate amount of vehicle seatbelt slack (using the seatbelt designed for the vehicle seat selected) and thread the belt through the **YELLOW** belt path as labelled. Start with the side of the restraint that is closest to the vehicle seatbelt retractor and continue across the seat, through the alternative slot as labelled, finally fastening into the buckle. Refer to **images B, C, D and E**.

NOTE: Belt should be threaded underneath the seat fabrics, never on top.

NOTE: Ensure seat belt installation is between the back rest and the waist straps of the harness, never in front.

5. Before continuing the install, check and make sure restraint is centred to the rear vehicle seat, the base is stable and the restraint is not lopsided in anyway.

SELECT POSITION 1, 2 OR 3



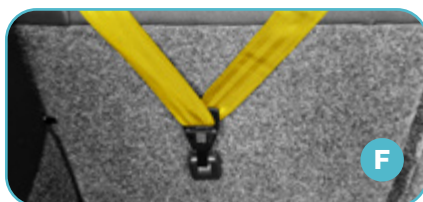
NOTE: Never use position four for forward-facing.



forward-facing installation



6. Connect the anchor clip to the anchor point as shown in **images E and F**. Please note, you will need to remove the anchor bolt kit from the anchor clip if the seat is straight out of the box.
7. Check to ensure there are no twists in the top-tether belt path as shown in **image F**.
8. With the top-tether connected, pull all the slack in the loop to the adjuster side of the seat as shown in **image G**.
9. Pull on the top-tether's adjuster strap to tighten and only tighten to remove excess length, keep strap loose for now.



10. To tighten the installation, begin by pushing down into the car seat with one hand using maximum force whilst simultaneously pulling up on the vehicle seatbelt, feeding the belt slack into the retractor as shown in **image I**. Continue this step until the installation is as firm as possible.
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cleaning the buckle

Follow the manufacturer's instructions at all times.

Your child car seat is equipped with a buckle designed to give your child maximum protection during proper use. When working properly, your buckle should always fasten with an audible '**CLICK**' when both tongues are engaged.

If sticky liquids (such as baby food, fruit juice, etc.) get into the buckle it may become sluggish and you will not hear a '**CLICK**'.

The buckle should be cleaned by following the steps below.



1. Start by adjusting the crotch buckle to maximum length (refer to page 41).
2. You can remove the seat trim cover so it does not get wet or dirty during the cleaning process.
3. Fill any shallow container with 40°C water.
4. Lay the buckle gently into the container and let it soak for 30 mins.
5. Simultaneously latch and unlatch the buckle tongues into the buckle several times until a strong audible **CLICK** is heard.
6. If you cannot hear an audible **CLICK** then repeat steps 1-4 above again.
7. Allow the buckle to completely dry before fitting on the trim.

CAUTION: Do not oil any part of the buckle. Water may be hot so proceed with care.

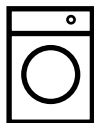
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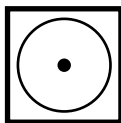
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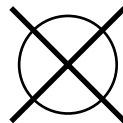
WASHING INSTRUCTIONS



Lukewarm setting
- delicate cycle



Tumble dry
10-15 minutes
on low heat



Do not dry clean



All other surfaces
should be cleaned with
a mild soap and water



Never clean with bleach
or spirit-type cleaners

VERY IMPORTANT:

Only replace the cover with a manufacturer's supplied replacement cover with identical shoulder height markers or a replacement cover meeting AS/NZS 8005.

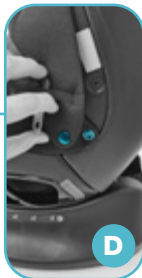
removing the seat fabrics

Removing the Head and Body Inserts

Remove the head and body inserts as needed - referring to the detailed sections found on page 39.

Removing the Harness Pads

Each harness pad has two press studs on the external edge. Locate the press studs and release them to unwrap each pad from the harness straps.

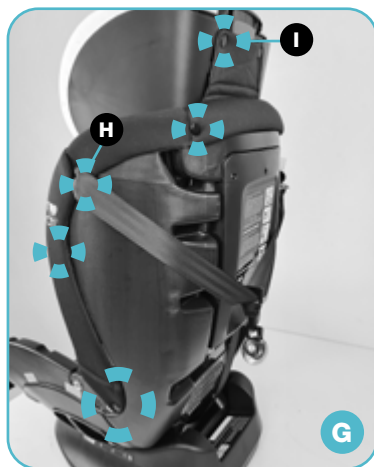


Removing the Crotch Buckle Pad

1. Release the press studs on the seat fabric's back panel as shown in **image A** and pull the back panel forward, revealing the buckle pad's stem and hooks, threaded through a sleeve.
2. Weave the buckle pad's stem through the sleeve and pull it through the seat fabric's buckle hole as shown in **image B**.

Removing the Seat Fabrics

1. Adjust the headrest into the highest position (see detailed section on page 38).
2. Release the six exterior press studs connecting the trim to the physical seat as shown in **images C and D** (repeat both sides). As shown in **image D**, you will need to release the top press stud of the backrest fabrics prior to that of the seat fabrics.
3. Release the four internal press studs connecting the seat fabrics to the backrest fabrics as located in **image A** and shown in **image E**.
4. Thread the adjuster strap and crotch buckle back through their openings in the seat trim as shown in **image F**.
5. Gently pull the seat trim forward and away from the physical seat to finally remove.



Removing the Backrest Fabrics

1. Adjust the headrest into the highest position (see detailed section on page 38).
2. Release the ten exterior press studs connecting the trim to the physical backrest as shown in **images G, H and I** (repeat for both sides). Ensure the panel attached to the headrest is untucked from the plastic tabs following release of the press studs as shown in **image I**.
3. Release the four internal press studs connecting the back rest fabrics to the seat fabrics as shown in **image A and E** page 54.
4. Adjust the headrest into the lowest position, the reverse of step one (see detailed section on page 38).
5. Gently pull the trim up and away from the physical backrest to finally remove.



Removing the Headrest Fabrics

1. Adjust the headrest into the highest position (see detailed section on page 38).
2. Release the press studs around the top of the harness straps as shown in **image J**.
3. Unhook the elastic cords at the back of the headrest as shown in **image K** (repeat both sides). Then beginning on one side of the headrest, take hold of the elastic cord and pull it out and around the outside of the plastic side covers - gradually releasing the seam as shown in **image L**. Repeat on alternative side and continue until the headrest fabrics are removed completely.
4. Weave the headrest back support panel through the harness straps and the headrest fabrics should be completely detached.



removing the seat fabrics

Reattaching the Fabrics Pieces

To reattach each seat fabric piece, repeat the removal process in reverse order. Please see the below for some tips to help achieve the best result.



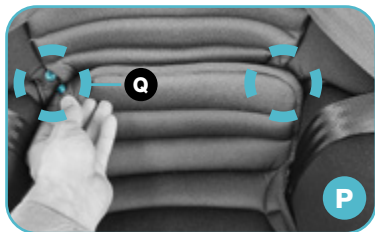
Headrest:

- Ensure the elastic cords are threaded behind the plastic headrest tabs prior to attaching the backrest trim panel to the headrest as shown in **image M**.
- When attached, pull the seams of the headrest fabrics, around the side panels, deep into the side covers of the plastic headrest for a tighter appearance.



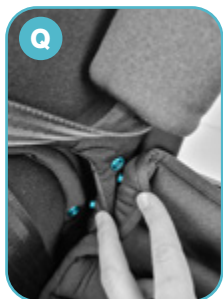
Seat Fabrics:

- Pay close attention to the order of how the press studs are attached between the hard seat and the backrest fabrics on the sides and on the internal backrest support panels as shown in **image N, O, P and Q**.

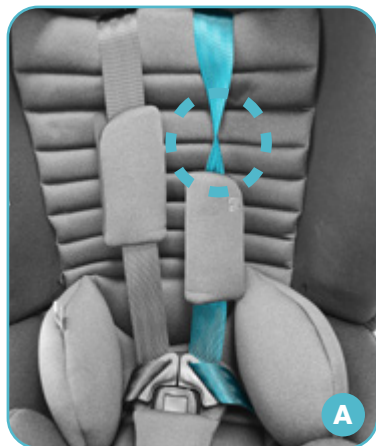


Backrest Fabrics

- Ensure the top-tether is weaved through the side slot connected by a press stud as shown in **image R**.
- Ensure the upper back panel is attached to the headrest and weaved underneath the plastic tabs as shown in **image S and T**.
- Ensure the lower side press studs are connected on top of the seat fabric's, as referenced in **image O**.



troubleshooting



Twisted Harness

If you notice your car seat's harness has a twist in it like shown in **image A**, follow the steps below to identify the type of twist and how to fix it.

Identifying the Type of Twist:

There are two types of harness twist, a single twist on the upper shoulder strap and a double twist, split around the buckle tongue. A single twist looks like **image A** and a double twist looks like **image B**. If you cannot identify the type of twist you have from these images please follow the below steps.

1. Adjust the headrest into the highest position (see detailed section on page 38).
2. Remove the inserts and backrest fabrics (to expose the plastic seat) (see detailed sections on pages 38, 39 and 54).
3. Inspect the belt below the buckle tongue near the waist area of the seat and if a twist is observed, you have a double twist and if not, a single.



Single Twist:

1. Loosen the harness to maximum and then slide the twist up to the headrest slot as shown in **image C**.
2. Whilst keeping the twist at the headrest slot, pull the adjuster strap - tightening the harness and this will force the twist behind the backrest. This will fix the single twist.



troubleshooting



Double Twist:

For the double twist to occur, the buckle tongue must have been slid over a twist in the belt. To undo this, the process must be reversed.

1. Using the strap section below the buckle tongue, twist the strap so it appears flat before entering the buckle tongue slot.
2. Very tightly, fold the edge of the twist and then begin forcing the buckle tongue over the twist as shown in **Image D** (this may take several attempts).
3. Once part of the twist is through the buckle tongue slot, continue feeding it through until the entire twist has been passed through. This will fix the double twist.

NOTE: If this troubleshooting guide did not resolve your problem, please contact our customer care team:

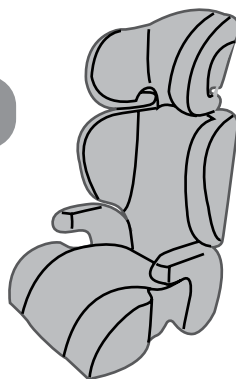
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the next seat for your child

When your child has outgrown this child car seat, you can either use a booster or the vehicle seat if your child is ready.

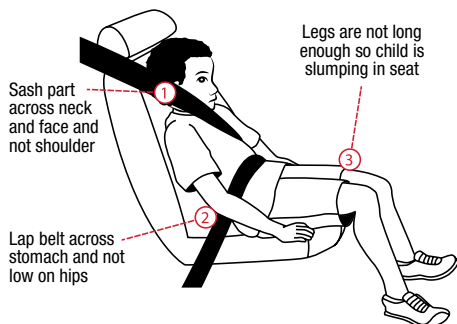
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If using a larger booster seat it must be suitable for children up to 8-10 years of age, until their shoulders reach the upper height marker.

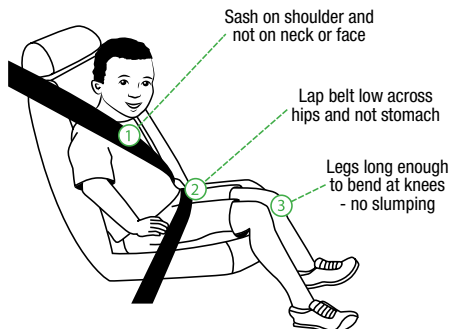


Three Point Test

INCORRECT



CORRECT



1. Does the sash part of the seat belt sit on the middle of the shoulder and not touch the neck or face?
2. Does the lap part of the seat belt sit low down on the hips and not on the abdomen?
3. When you sit the child on the seat with their bottom all the way back, are their thighs long enough for their knees to bend allowing the legs to hang over the front of the seat?

If you answered “no” to any of these questions, your child needs to be in a booster seat to make both the sash and the lap part of the seat belt fit right to ensure maximum crash protection.

Information obtained from www.raa.com.au

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IMPORTANT: KEEP THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL IN THE POCKET PROVIDED ON THE TOP-TETHER.



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