

SAFETY BOOST TOOL FRONT

 <p>Why do I need a booster seat?</p>	 <p>When should I use a booster seat?</p>
 <p>Which seat is right for me?</p>	 <p>Am I ready for the seat belt?</p>



Backless Booster seat High-back Booster seat

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<p>Children who use booster seats are 59% less likely to be injured in a crash than those using seat belts alone.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have your child help pick out the seat. • Teach your child about booster seat safety. • Have an extra seat available for other drivers to use.
<p>Doctors and safety experts recommend that children use booster seats. Booster seats raise your child up so the car's seat belt fits them the right way.</p>	<p>Here are some tips on how to use a booster seat EVERY time:</p>
<p>Booster seats are made for children who are too big for their infant and convertible seats but are still too small to use the car's seat belt alone.</p>	<p>A crash can occur at any time – on short trips to the store or a long trip out of town. Minimize your risk by making it a rule to use a booster seat EVERY time your child rides in a car.</p>
<p>Why do I need a booster seat?</p>	<p>When should I use a booster seat?</p>
<p>Use the chart on the back to determine which type of child safety seat experts recommend for your child.</p>	<p>Flip this card over and take the 5-STEP TEST. This test will tell you if your child is ready to use the car's seat belt alone.</p>
<p>The best seat for your child is the one that fits your child and your car – one that you will use EVERY time.</p>	<p>Use the attached measuring tape to check your child's height.</p>
<p>Children come in all shapes and sizes. A child safety seat that fits your child's age, weight, and height is the safest one to use.</p>	<p>When children are 4 feet 9 inches (57 inches) tall, they may be ready to use the car's seat belt.</p>
<p>Which seat is right for me?</p>	<p>Am I ready for the seat belt?</p>
<p>Booster seat laws vary from state to state. Research has shown that children 4 to 8 years old are safest while riding in a booster seat.</p>	
<p>You should always use the car's lap AND shoulder belt when using a booster seat.</p>	
<p>The Center for Injury Research and Policy at Columbus Children's Hospital and the Nationwide® Foundation want you to know...</p>	

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A booster seat is the safest way for children 4 to 8 years old to travel.

Here are some tips to keep your child safe:

- ♥ Children are safest in the back seat.
- ♥ There are two types of booster seats, high-back and backless booster seats. You can buy a booster seat at most toy stores, department stores, and other retail outlets for as little as \$14.00.
 - ★ Use a high-back booster seat if the car's seat does not have a headrest or if the back of the car's seat is below your child's ears.
- ♥ Ask a car seat technician to check your child's seat. Call **1-866-SEATCHECK** to find a technician near you.

Keep your child safe by using the right seat every time.

Age	Weight/Height	Seat Type
Birth to at least 1 year	Up to 20 pounds <i>minimum</i> * (check the weight limit listed on seat)	Rear-facing Infant or convertible seat
1 to 4 years	At least 21 pounds up to 65 pounds*	Rear-facing convertible <i>OR</i> forward-facing seat with internal harness
4 to 8 years	At least 40 pounds and up to 4 feet 9 inches tall*	Booster seat (booster seats do not have an internal harness)
8+ years	At least 4 feet 9 inches tall*	Take the 5-STEP TEST to see if your child is ready for a seat belt alone.

FITTING CHART



* Always follow the seat's weight and height guidelines.

Congratulations! By learning about booster seats you can give your child a **SAFETY BOOST**.



Shoulder belt fits snugly across the chest, crossing the shoulder between the neck and arm.

Lap belt fits snug and low over the hips and thighs.




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← PULL TAB TO TAKE THE 5-STEP TEST.

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IS YOUR CHILD READY TO USE A SEAT BELT WITHOUT A BOOSTER SEAT?

TAKE THIS 5-STEP TEST:

Step 1: Does your child sit all the way back against the car's seat?

Step 2: Do your child's knees bend comfortably at the edge of the car's seat?

Step 3: Does the shoulder belt fit snugly across the chest, crossing the shoulder between the neck and arm?

Step 4: Is the lap belt as low as possible, snug over the hips or upper thighs?

Step 5: Can your child stay seated like this for the whole ride?

If you answered YES to ALL 5 questions, your child is ready for the seat belt alone. If you answered NO to ANY of the questions, your child still needs a booster seat. Use the tips to see which type of booster seat is best for your child.

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