

BOOSTER SEATS are for children under 9 years

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- Over 18 kg (40 lb.).
- Until they are 9 years old unless they have reached the height of 145 cm (4'9") tall.

Key points

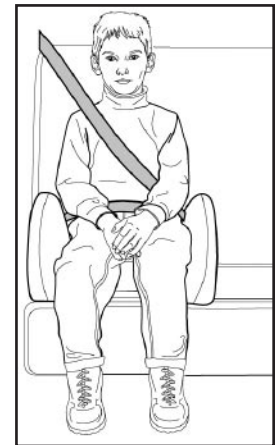
- Children who have outgrown their forward-facing child seat should use a booster seat until they are 9 years old unless they have reached the height of 145 cm (4'9") tall.
- Look for a label that says the booster seat complies with Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. (CMVSS)
- Seat belts are designed to fit adults.
- Children ages 4 to 9 (approximately) who are using a seat belt without a booster seat, are at increased risk of serious injury and/or death in the event of a crash.
- Without a booster seat, the incorrect positioning of the lap belt can cause spinal and/or internal injuries in a crash.
- If your child is over 18 kg (40 lb.), a booster seat will correctly position the vehicle seat belt over the child's shoulders and across the hips, significantly reducing the risk of injury and/or death.
- Keep your child in a booster seat until their 9th birthday unless they have reached the height of 145 cm (4'9") tall.



Always follow the manufacturer's instructions and read your vehicle owner's manual.

Different booster seat styles to choose from

- **High-back belt-positioning booster** – Recommended for use when there is no vehicle head rest. **Must** be used with a shoulder and lap belt.
- **Backless belt-positioning booster** – Can be used when the seat backs are high and a head rest is present. **Must** be used with a shoulder and lap belt.
- **Child/booster seat (combination)** – Can be used during two stages. Once your child reaches the upper weight limit for use with the harness, the harness is removed and the safety seat is converted to a belt-positioning booster. When the harness is removed, the booster seat **must** be used with a lap and shoulder belt.
- **Shield booster** – Used in vehicles equipped with a lap belt only.



Installation checklist

- I've read the manufacturer's instructions.
- The booster seat faces the front of the vehicle.
- The booster seat is flat on the vehicle seat.
- The lap belt is snug across the hips (not the abdomen).
- The shoulder belt is threaded through the belt positioner (if applicable) so that it lies across my child's shoulders and across the chest.
- The booster seat is buckled in even when my child is not present. (An unbuckled booster seat can injure others in a crash.)



Common mistakes when using booster seats

- Graduating child into booster seat too soon
- Graduating child to adult seat belt too soon
- Placing shoulder belt behind your child's back or under the arm

For more information

- Go to our websites at www.ChildSeatInfo.ca and www.icbc.com/road_safety/carseat.asp
- Call our toll free Child Seat Information Line at 1-877-247-5551