# Child Passenger Safety Checklist

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**FINDINGS**

1. Driver Buckled: Yes ☐ No ☐ Unobserved ☐

2. Child location in vehicle:
   - Front seat: ☐
   - Back seat: ☐
   - Rear seat: ☐

3. CSS installed using (select all that apply):
   - Lower anchors: ☐
   - Tether: ☐
   - Seatbelt: ☐
   - Uninstalled: ☐
   - Integrated Seat (Skip to Findings): ☐
   - No CSS: ☐

4. Restraint type:
   - None: ☐
   - RF convertible: ☐
   - Base only: ☐
   - Infant: ☐
   - Car bed: ☐
   - Tether: ☐
   - Vest: ☐
   - BP Booster: ☐
   - FF w/ harness: ☐

5. CSS MFG:
   - Britax: ☐
   - Chicco: ☐
   - Evenflo: ☐
   - Graco: ☐
   - Maxi Cosi: ☐
   - Chico: ☐
   - Combi: ☐
   - Orbit: ☐
   - Dorel: ☐
   - Learning Curve - First Years: ☐
   - First Years: ☐
   - Safe Traffic Systems: ☐
   - Magna/Clek: ☐

6. Model Number:

7. Mfg Date (MM/DD/YYYY):

8. CSS history known: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

9. CSS involved in a crash: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

10. CSS labels missing: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

11. CSS expired: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

12. CSS recalled: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

13. CSS correct direction: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

14. Seatbelt correct: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

15. Lower anchors correct: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

16. Tether correct: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

17. Harness correct: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

**AS CHILD DEPARTED EVENT**

18. Child location in vehicle:
   - Front seat: ☐
   - Back seat: ☐
   - Rear seat: ☐

19. CSS installed using (select all that apply):
   - Lower anchors: ☐
   - Tether: ☐
   - Seatbelt: ☐
   - Uninstalled: ☐
   - Integrated Seat: ☐

20. Provided CSS at event: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

21. Replaced CSS provided by:
   - Parent: ☐
   - Coalition: ☐
   - N/A: ☐

22. Discuss unused seatbelt dangers: Yes ☐ No ☐

23. Restraint type:
   - Base only: ☐
   - RF convertible: ☐
   - Car bed: ☐
   - Infant w/o base: ☐
   - Vest: ☐
   - Infant w/ base: ☐
   - BP Booster: ☐
   - Lap/Shoulder seatbelt: ☐
   - FF w/ harness: ☐
   - Lap only seatbelt: ☐

24. CSS MFG:
   - Magna/Clek: ☐
   - Britax: ☐
   - Chicco: ☐
   - Learning Curve - First Years: ☐
   - First Years: ☐
   - Safe Traffic Systems: ☐
   - Recaro: ☐
   - Dorel: ☐
   - Maxi Cosi: ☐

25. Model Number:

26. Mfg Date (MM/DD/YYYY):

27. Discussed projectiles?: Yes ☐ No ☐

28. CSS/Vehicle Compatible: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

29. Parent sign off: Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A ☐

30. I participated/installed CSS today: Yes ☐ No ☐

31. I unharnessed child in CSS: Yes ☐ No ☐

32. Next steps discussed?: Yes ☐ No ☐

33. Education materials given: Yes ☐ No ☐

Caregiver initals: ☐

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If a child must ride in the front seat, then the child with a full harness or properly adjusted shoulder belt, seated

AS CHILD ARRIVED
1. Driver Buckled □ Yes □ No □ Unobserved
2. Child location in vehicle
   □ D □ front row
   □ A □ back row
   □ R □ rear row
3. CSS installed using (select all that apply)
   □ Lower anchors
   □ Tether
   □ Seatbelt
   □ Uninstalled
   □ Integrated Seat (Skip to Findings)
   □ No CSS
4. Restraint type:
   □ RF convertible
   □ Base only
   □ Car bed
   □ Vest
   □ BP Booster
   □ FF w/ harness
5. CSS MFG:
   □ Magna/Clek
   □ Britax
   □ Chicco
   □ Combi
   □ Evenflo
   □ Graco
   □ Orbit
   □ Sunshine Kids
   □ Dorel (Cosco, Eddie Bauer, Safety 1st, Maxi Cosi)
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PRE-INSPECTION QUICK REFERENCE
Direction
Infants and toddlers less than 2 should ride semi-reclined in a rear-facing position to protect the spine and neck. Infants who have outgrown the infant seat should switch to a convertible seat and sit straight up and avoid resting their heads on a window or structural pillar of the vehicle. Treat unused safety belts as you would any other cords. They are not toys and can be hazardous if used for any purpose other than restraint.

Locate
All children under age 13 should ride in a back seat. If a child must ride in the front seat, then the child with a full harness or properly adjusted shoulder belt, seated in the correct forward facing and upright position, should sit there. Move the vehicle seat back as far away from the airbag as possible. If the vehicle has side airbags or curbs, check the vehicle owner's manual and child restraint manual for instructions. For older children sitting in safety belts next to side airbags, remind them to sit straight up and avoid resting their heads on a window or structural pillar of the vehicle. Treat unused safety belts as you would any other cords. They are not toys and can be hazardous if used for any purpose other than restraint.

Harness
Infant seat harness straps should pass through the slots at or below the rear-facing baby's shoulders. Toddler seat harness straps should pass through the slots at or above the forward-facing toddler's shoulders. Read seat instructions. A toddler is too large for a harness when the shoulders are above the top harness slots, or child exceeds weight or height limits. Harness straps must lay flat on the check and over the hips. Harness straps must pass the "pinch" test. When the buckled straps are pinched at the shoulder, there should be no slack or extra webbing. The harness retainer clip must sit at the child's armpit level, and the straps must be threaded properly through the clip.

Belt-Positioning Booster Seats
Boosters are used only with lap/shoulder safety belts. Most do not allow for a pre-crash locked safety belt. Check instructions. Special products, such as vests and y harnesses used with a booster base, must be used according to manufacturer's instructions and the vehicle owner's manual.

Installation
Fully read the vehicle and child restraint manufacturer's instructions. In most cases use either LATCH or safety belts. There are a few booster seats that use both lower anchors and a seat belt. Never install a rear-facing car seat in front of an airbag. Even if the passenger sensing system or airbag switch has turned off the right front passenger frontal airbag, no system is fail-safe. Secure rear-facing car seats in a back seat. Follow manufacturer's instructions. Safety belts must pass through the car seat exactly where and how the manufacturer directs. Car seats must not move more than 1 inch side to side or forward to back when grasped at the belt path. Use the tether as directed by the manufacturer and the vehicle owner's manual. LATCH anchors are used only if both the vehicle and the car seat are equipped. Check vehicle manufacturer's manual to identify designated LATCH and tether locations. Tethers are never attached to the lower anchor bars. Use tethers on rear-facing car seats only if the manufacturer so directs. Vehicles made after 1996 meet federal safety belt lockability requirements; no locking clip should be needed. Test vehicle safety belts by buckling the safety belt and pulling slightly upward on the lap belt. Tethers may be used in some vehicles to 40 pounds (weight of child) and in others to 60 pounds (weight of child plus car seat) heavier children who ride in harnessed seats require special arrangements. Check with the vehicle manufacturer.

Child Ready for Safety Belt
With the child's back and bottom against vehicle seat back, the knees should bend naturally at vehicle seat edge. When the safety belt is buckled, the lap belt fits low on the hips, touching the thighs, and the shoulder belt rests between neck and shoulder on the collarbone. Never place the shoulder belt under arms or behind backs. Optimally, the child's feet should touch the floor.

This list is not exhaustive and should not be relied upon in place of the NHTSA standardized curriculum.