Child Restraint Stages

| Weight/Development | Height | Approx. Age | Type of Child Restraint | |
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| under manufsacturer's upper weight limit (9 or 10 kg [20 or 22 lb.]; 1 model to 16 kg [35 lb.]) | under manufacturer's upper height limit (range 66 - 74 cm [26 - 29 in.]; 1 model to 89 cm [35 in].) | birth to 7-8 months | Infant car seat used rear-facing only | |
| under manufacturer's upper weight limit for rear-facing (varies with model) | over manufacturer's upper height limit of infant seat (range 66 - 74 cm [26 - 29 in.]) | 3-5 months to 12 months | Convertible car seat used rear-facing | |
| 10 kg (22 lb.) <u>AND</u> 1 year old under 18 kg (40 lb.) | over 66 cm (26") middle of ears below top of car seat (approx. 101 cm [40 in.]) | 12 months to 4-5 years | Convertible car seat used forward-facing (must be tethered) | |
| under 18 kg (40 lb.) | middle of ears above top of regular car seat (approx. 101 cm [40 in.]) | 3-5 years | some Combination seats forward-facing tethered car seat (converts to high back booster for children over 18 kg [40 lb.]) | |
| over 18 kg (40 lb.) | middle of ears below top of vehicle seat or high back booster | 4-8 years | Booster seat positions the lap or lap/shoulder belt properly over child's body | |
| over manufacturer's upper weight limit for booster (range 27 - 45.5 kg [60 - 100 lb.]) | over manufacturer's height limit for booster sitting height is 74 cm (29 in.) or more; legs bend over front edge of vehicle seat | varies | Seat Belt lap belt positioned touching or over thighs and shoulder belt not crossing face or neck | |



