



Car Time – Stage 3

Safe Travel in a Booster Seat

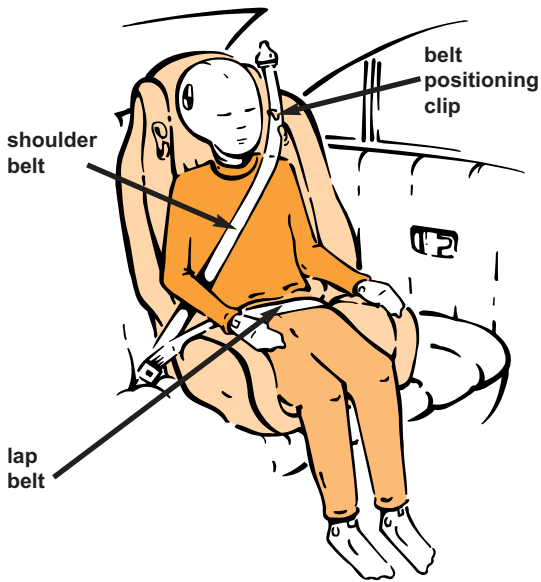
At Stage 3, your child should weigh at least 18 kg (40 pounds), and may be about 4 1/2 years old. Your child is now ready to use a booster seat. The booster seat will keep the seat belt in the correct place over your child's body. **You must use the seat belt to hold the booster seat and child in place.**

If you use a booster seat when your child is too small, your child could be hurt during a sudden stop or if your car is in a crash.



When to use a booster seat:

- Only use a booster seat for children who weigh at least 18 kg (40 pounds).
- Use the booster seat each time you go out in the car with your child.



Highback Booster

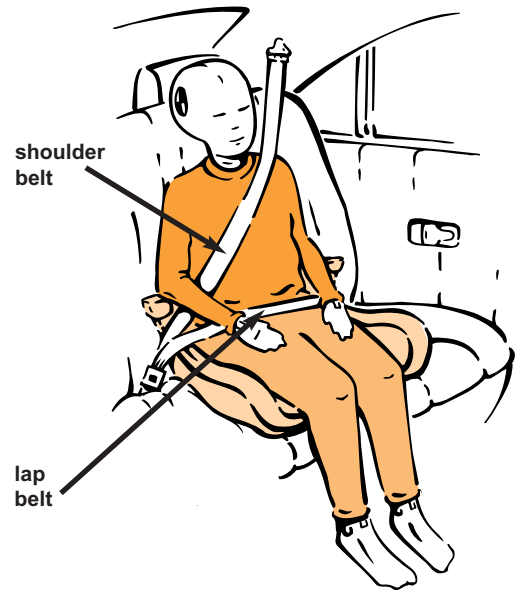
How to use a booster seat:

- Choose a booster seat that fits your child and your vehicle.
- Read the instructions for your vehicle **and** read the instructions that came with the booster seat. This will help you to place your child in the booster correctly. You also need to be sure you are using the correct seat belt system with the booster seat.
- **The back seat is the safest place for your child.**
- Always put the shoulder belt over the shoulder and across the chest. **Never** put the shoulder belt behind the child's back or under the arm. This could cause a serious injury if there is a crash.

- Always put the lap belt low and snug across the hips. **Never** let the lap belt ride up over the child's stomach. This could cause a serious injury if there is a crash.
- Buckle up an empty booster seat with the seat belt so it won't move around.

When to replace a booster seat:

- Replace the booster seat if your car is in a crash. You should do this even if your child was not riding in the booster seat during the crash.
- When it reaches the expiry date.
- If there is no expiry date, replace a seat that is ten years old.



No Back Booster

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