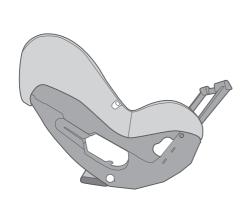




Convertible Child Restraint

with Adjustable Headrest or Backrest Series No.7300/A/2010





Instructions for Installation & Use



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INTRODUCTION

This instruction book covers various models under the series number 7300/A/2010, 7300/D/2010 design. These child restraints are installed in the rear of the car and can be used either rearward facing for infants or forward facing for older children. They are installed in the car using the car seatbelt and the tether strap attached to the car's child restraint anchor fitting.

To be used only in a rearward facing position for an infant until their shoulders reach the lower shoulder height marker (approximately 12 months of age). Then to be used in forward facing position until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker (approximately 4 years of age).

Continue to use this child restraint until the child reaches this limit.

Do not use forward-facing until child's shoulders are above the lower shoulder height marker.

Infants are at risk of serious injury if they face forward too early.

Children are at risk of serious injury if they move to booster seats too early.

Children that have outgrown this restraint are safest in a booster seat until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker of the booster seat.

CAREFULLY READ ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLATION. IN THE EVENT OF DOUBT ABOUT THE METHOD OF INSTALLATION, CONSULT BRITAX CHILDCARE OR AGENT OR A CHILD RESTRAINT FITTING STATION AUTHORISED BY A RELEVANT TRANSPORT AUTHORITY OR, IN NEW ZEALAND, THE AGENT FOR THE VEHICLE.

No child restraint can guarantee absolute protection from injury in every crash. However, to ensure that your child gets all the protection designed into the restraint PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS EXACTLY and use only Britax Safe-n-Sound recommended parts and accessories.

THIS RESTRAINT MUST BE ATTACHED TO A CHILD RESTRAINT ANCHORAGE POINT IN THE CAR. REFER TO CAR OWNER'S HANDBOOK FOR LOCATION OF ANCHORAGE POINTS. REFER TO A CHILD RESTRAINT FITTING STATION IF NO ANCHORAGE POINTS ARE IN THE MOTOR CAR.

TO BE USED WITH A LAP-SASH OR LAP-ONLY SEATBELT IN THE BACK OF MOST CARS WITH FORWARD FACING SEATS.

Always store the instruction book in the pocket provided on the side or back of the cover.

A WARNINGS

- Use the restraint exactly as shown in the instructions.
- Fit the restraint firmly to the car seat.
- · Fit the harness firmly to the child.
- A loose restraint or harness is dangerous.
- Supervision of children is needed because they may be able to undo buckles and adjusters.
- DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN THE CAR.
- Do not alter or modify this restraint.
- Repairs must only be done by the manufacturer or agent.
- Do not allow the restraint to come into contact with polishes, oils, bleach and other chemicals.
- Destroy the restraint if it has been in a severe crash, even if no damage is visible.
- DO NOT USE THIS RESTRAINT WITHOUT A COVER.
- Regularly check the restraint components, straps & other fitments for correct function and condition. Seek prompt repair.
- To ensure baby's back is evenly supported do not put more than one nappy on the baby and
 make sure the nappy is not thickly folded at the back.
- DO NOT USE A REAR-FACING CHILD RESTRAINT WHERE AN AIRBAG IS FITTED IN THE FRONT OF THE SEATING POSITION.
- If an airbag is fitted in the desired seating position where the child restraint is to be fitted, follow
 the vehicle manufacturer's warnings and instructions.
- The restraint should not be purchased or sold as a second hand item. It is recommended not to
 use child restraints older that 10 years as the protection in an accident may be reduced.
- THIS RESTRAINT IS NOT SUITABLE FOR USE WHERE THE ANCHORAGE STRAP MAY FALL INTO A SPLIT IN THE SEAT BACK (E.G. HATCHBACK OR WAGON).

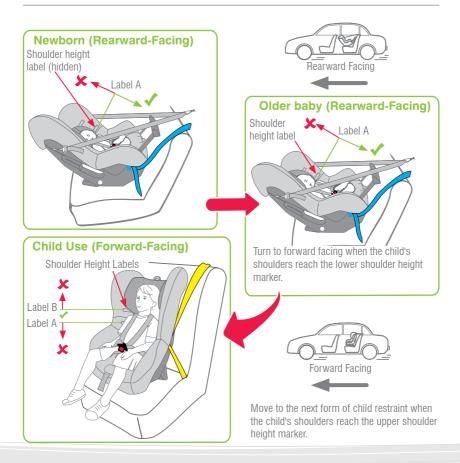


- The restraint is not intended to be a substitute baby cot or bed. It is only designed to enable safe transportation of children in motor vehicles. Do not leave a baby in the restraint for long periods of time.
- Straps may be damaged by unsecured cargo in a collision. Secure or remove hazardous cargo before using this strap. <u>Hatchback or wagon</u>: Do not use the child restraint where the upper anchorage strap may fall into a split in the seat back.
- Protect all webbing from abrasion and cutting by sharp corners and edges.
- Do not lift the seat by the headrest.
- Do not store in areas that may get hot, like in car boots, roof space, beside shed walls which get hot in summer. Do not place heavy items on top of the seat as this may distort the plastic.



DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN THE CAR.

SHOULDER HEIGHT MARKERS AND A GROWING CHILD



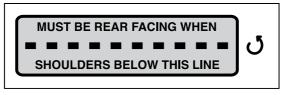
SHOULDER HEIGHT MARKERS

Shoulder height markers are provided on this restraint for a visual indication that the child is safe to ride in this restraint. Do not turn to forward facing until the child's shoulder's reach the lower marker. Do not continue to use the restraint if the child's shoulders are above the upper marker.



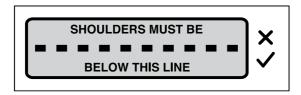
LOWER SHOULDER HEIGHT MARKER: Label A

When the child's shoulders reach the lower marker, the child restraint must be turned to face towards the front of the vehicle or move the child to another forward facing seat with in built harness. Approximately 12 months of age.



UPPER SHOULDER HEIGHT MARKER: Label B

When the child's shoulders reach this upper marker, the child is now too big for the child restraint. It is now time to move to the next child restraint. Approximately 4 years of age.



SHOULDER HEIGHT MARKERS AND THE NEXT STEP

For the next child restraint choose from:

6 months to 6-8 years (approx).

 Convertible Booster Seat. Note: you can move to a convertible booster seat once the child's shoulders reach the lower shoulder height marker, this will be lower than the lower shoulder height marker on the child restraint covered on the previous page.



Convertible Booster seat used with builtin harness until approximately 4 years and then as a booster seat.

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4 years to 6-8 years or 8-10 years (approx).

Booster Seat and an accessory Child Harness
 (A Child Harness must be used if the car is fitted with a lap only seatbelt in the desired seating position),



Booster seat and accessory Child Harness.

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· Booster seat and lap-sash seatbelt.



Booster seat with lap-sash seatbelt.

SPECIAL FEATURES - REARWARD-FACING WITH HEADREST

To be used only in a rearward facing position until the infant's shoulders reach the lower shoulder height marker (approximately 12 months of age).



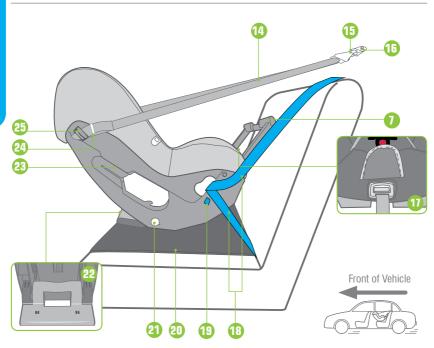
Shoulder Height Markers may be hidden under headrest in lowest position.



- 2. Fully adjustable 6 point Harness
- Insert Pad (if fitted) (may vary in style)
- 4. Shoulder Pads (if fitted)
- 5. Padded Cover for comfort
- 6. Release Buckle (Red button)
- 7. Stabilising Bar for Rearward Facing mode
- 8. Harness Adjustment Strap
- 9. Headrest Adjuster Latch
- 10. EZ Buckle System
- 11. Harness Tongue Holders
- 12. Shoulder Height Markers
- 13. Headrest Lever



SPECIAL FEATURES - REARWARD-FACING



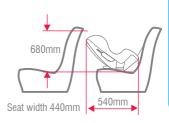
- 14. Adjustable Upper Anchorage Strap
- 15. Attachment Clip
- 16. Vehicle's Anchor Fitting
- 17. Harness Adjustment Lever (under trim flap)
- 18. Vehicle's seatbelt
- 19. Blue REARWARD FACING BELT PATH label

- 20. Messy Mat[™] (if supplied)
- 21. Recline Position Indicator
- 22. Recline foot in Rearward Facing mode
- 23. Upper Lock-off (Forward Facing only)
- **24.** Upper Anchorage Storage Band
- 25. Upper Anchorage Strap Adjuster

SUITABLE FOR USE

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Continue to use this restraint in this rear facing mode until the child's shoulders reach the limit of the lower shoulder height marker before turning the seat to face forward. A child's neck muscles may be unable to support their head thus the child should remain rear facing until the neck muscles become stronger.

The purchaser should check the measurements between the front of the seat back of the rear seat and all front seats in the car in which the child restraint is intended to be used, to ensure that the space is sufficient. If you have the restraint check it fits in your car.

Regional Road Rules may prohibit the use of this restraint in the front seat until the child is 4 years of age. Check your Regional Road Rules for exemptions.



A WARNINGS

DO NOT USE RESTRAINT IN REARWARD FACING MODE WITHOUT STABILISING BAR FULLY EXTENDED.

Do not use the restraint without the Upper Anchorage Strap correctly attached.

DO NOT USE A REAR FACING CHILD RESTRAINT WHERE AN AIRBAG IS FITTED IN FRONT OF THE SEATING POSITION.

Do not use on any vehicle seat which faces sideways or rearwards.

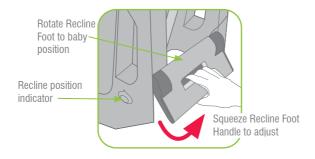
Never leave babies or toddlers in a stationary car in the sun because of the risk of heat exhaustion. Ensure babies and toddlers have adequate ventilation and are shaded from direct sunlight through side or rear windows.



Do not allow the front seat to alter the installed position of the restraint. It is permissible to allow the restraint to touch the seat on front of it.

CONVERT TO REARWARD FACING MODE

Move recline foot by squeezing the recline foot handle while rotating to the rearward facing position (refer to label on the side of the restraint) until the handle locks into position. Ensure recline foot locks into position.







ADJUSTING HASSLE FREE HARNESS™ HEADREST OR BACKREST

Correct fitment of the harness is very important as it restrains the child in the restraint. The headrest or backrest must be in the correct position & the harness must fit firmly around upper torso of the child and be positioned so as to leave the child's arms and legs free.

For children in rearward facing mode the headrest or backrest must be in the position where the top of the shoulder strap slots are nearest to the child's shoulders, but not lower than the child's shoulders. Instructions for adjusting the headrest is on the next page. If your child has reached the lower shoulder height marker then the restraint may be converted for forward facing (Refer to Forward Facing section from page 29).

- 1. The shoulder straps must be positioned nearest to the child's shoulders, but not lower than the child's shoulders. There is only one set of slots so the seat will always have the shoulder straps in place once the headrest is positioned correctly.
- 2. The insert pad may be used for rearward facing for small babies.
- 3. Discontinue the use of the insert pad if there is insufficient room for the child or shoulders have reached the lower shoulder height marker.



Lower shoulder height marker

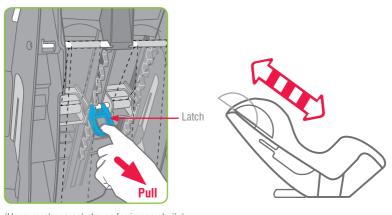
Shoulder harness straps Harness tongues and buckle Lap strap slots

Crotch strap slots Harness Adjustment Lever under flap

REARWARD FACING **BELT PATH:** shown as blue.

HOW TO ADJUST HEADREST & HASSLE FREE HARNESS™

- A. Loosen the harness straps before adjusting the headrest.
- B. You do not need to remove the restraint from the vehicle to adjust the harness or headrest positions. Small adjustments may be possible with the child still in the seat.
- C. To adjust the headrest, pull on the latch on the back of the restraint and pull up or down to position the top of the shoulder strap slot above the child's shoulders. Release the latch to lock the headrest in position. Pull headrest upwards to check it is locked in position.



(Harness straps not shown for image clarity)

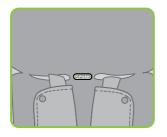


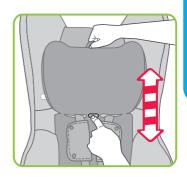
IMPORTANT:

Ensure harness and headrest are positioned so that the shoulder straps are just above the child's shoulders but no lower.

HOW TO ADJUST THE HEADREST & HASSLE FREE HARNESS™ - Installed in vehicle

- A. Loosen the harness straps before adjusting the headrest.
- **B.** Place finger on the "PUSH" button, press in towards restraint, and lift lever to adjust upward or downward.







INSTALLING INTO VEHICLE (REARWARD FACING)

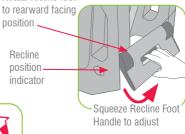
The restraint is normally packaged in the fully upright forward facing mode so if you need to use it rearward facing you must first fully recline the restraint, and then convert the restraint to rearward facing mode as shown below.

If upper anchorage strap is folded up for storage undo storage strap then lengthen. Fully press adjuster button (A) while pulling upper anchorage strap (B) to lengthen.



CONVERT TO REARWARD FACING MODE

A. To fully recline the restraint, move recline foot by squeezing the foot, squeezing the recline foot handle while rotating to the rearward facing position (refer to label on the side of the restraint) until the handle locks into position. Ensure recline foot locks into position.

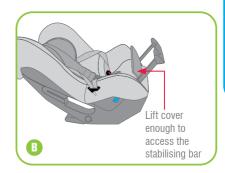


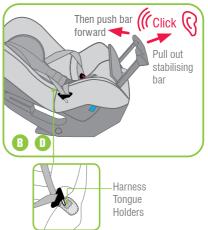
Rotate recline foot





- **B.** Lift the flap at the end of the seat to access the stabilising bar, pull out stabilising bar and then gently push bar forward until you hear a click. Stabilising bar is now latched in place. Refit the cover.
- C. Position restraint rearward facing in the chosen seating position.
- **D.** Undo the buckle and place buckle tongues in the Harness Tongue Holders on each side of the cover.

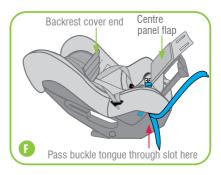




E. Remove insert pad (if fitted), and gently lift headrest trim end, then pull backwards the centre panel flap, with the comfort pad from the inner seat of trim.

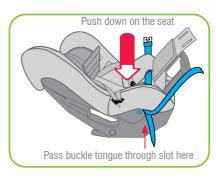


F. Fully lengthen seatbelt and feed the seatbelt between the restraint cover and the restraint body through seatbelt slots in restraint.



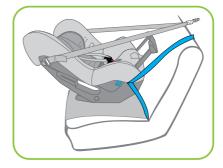
G. Engage seatbelt buckle and tongue. Push down on the seat (with knee or hand), whilst pulling the sash belt firmly to tighten the seatbelt. This will make the lap belt very tight across the restraint. Whilst holding the seatbelt tension. ensure to remove all slack from lap part of seatbelt by pulling sash belt. For retractor seatbelts, allow excess belt to feed back into retractor.

NOTE: Seatbelt buckle and tongue must not rest between restraint cover and restraint. If seatbelt buckle is adjustable, adjust buckle as low as possible away from the restraint.



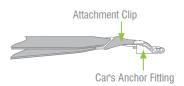


H. Replace the centre panel flap, ensure the harness buckle is through the panel, and connect the hook and loop to retain the cover. Then place back the headrest cover end along the headrest. For smaller babies replace the insert pad (if fitted). Do not use insert pad if the child's shoulders reach the lower shoulder height marker. See page 13 for advice on positioning the shoulder straps.

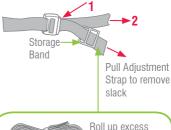


NOTE: Seatbelt extenders should not be used if the seatbelt is not long enough to secure the child restraint. If they are used then the buckle must not enter the seating zone.

- J. Fit the attachment clip to the anchor fitting as shown right. Make sure to remove as many twists as possible from the upper anchorage strap.
- **K.** Tighten adjustable upper anchorage strap by pulling adjustment strap to remove slack, but do not over-tighten causing the restraint base to lift off the vehicle seat. This will usually be done once the child has been harnessed into the seat.
- L. Roll up excess strap tightly so the webbing is thick enough to be held in the storage band.

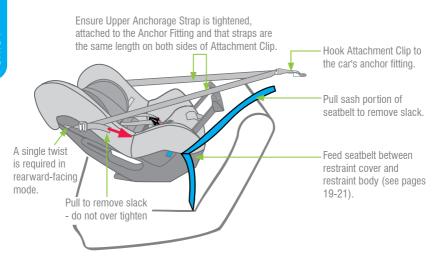


Fully press Adjuster Button (1) while pulling Upper Anchorage Strap (2) to lengthen.





FITTING SUMMARY





DO NOT USE THE RESTRAINT IN REARWARD FACING MODE WITHOUT STABILISING BAR FULLY EXTENDED.

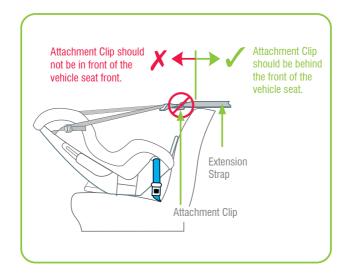
THE UPPER ANCHORAGE STRAP MUST ALWAYS BE FITTED WHEN THE CHILD RESTRAINT IS LISED IN A VEHICLE

ALWAYS ATTACH THE HOOK AND REMOVE THE SLACK.



IMPORTANT:

If using an extension strap, positioning the attachment clip above the child may lead to injury in an accident therefore make sure that the attachment clip is not positioned in front of the vehicle seat.

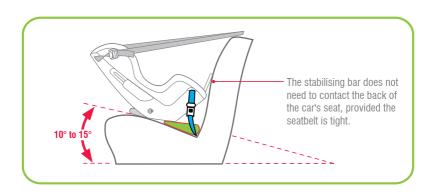


ANGULAR ADJUSTMENT OF RESTRAINT

Some vehicle seats have more rearward slope than others. If the angle of the seat causes the baby to be too upright for comfort, the angle may be altered by placing a firm packing between the seat and the underside of the base. Packing can be a firmly rolled up towel.

If the car's seat is flat then some packing may be required at the front edge of the base to achieve the recline angle.

Do not remove all of the rearward slope by over packing. Always leave a rearward slope angle of approximately 10 to 15 degrees as shown



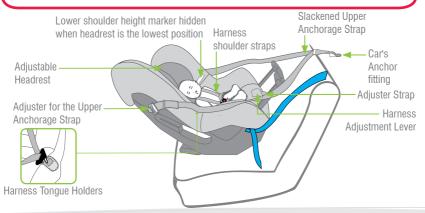
PLACING CHILD INTO RESTRAINT

- A. Ensure the headrest and shoulder straps are adjusted to the correct height for your child (see page 13).
- **B.** Extend the upper anchorage strap and allow the straps to fall to the sides of the restraint for easy access to the child.
- C. Slacken harness straps by pushing and holding the harness adjustment button, grasping BOTH shoulder harness straps and pulling out the desired amount of slack. Release harness adjustment button when there is enough slack and place the buckle tongues over the side of the seat so that the child does not lay on them.
- D. Lay child on their back into restraint and fit harness as shown. Make sure the child is dressed to allow harness buckle to be pulled up between child's legs e.g. a jump suit.

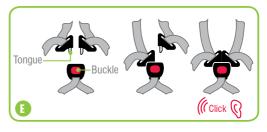


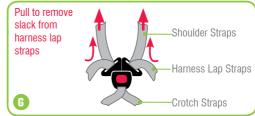
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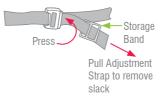
Always ensure the child's arms and legs are free. Never wrap child in a blanket before placing in restraint.



- E. Fit either harness tongue into the harness buckle followed by the other tongue until a click is heard. Should the second tongue not insert, press the red button and reinsert the tongues. Ensure secure engagement by pulling harness straps.
- **F.** Remove slack from harness lap straps by pulling shoulder straps.
- **G.** Adjust the harness to a firm but comfortable fit by pulling the harness adjustment strap.
- H. Re-tighten the adjustable upper anchorage strap by pulling the adjustment strap to remove slack as shown. Roll up the excess strap tightly so the webbing is thick enough to be held in the storage band.

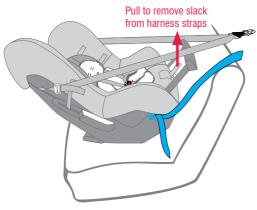








Roll up excess strap tightly so the webbing is thick enough to be held in the storage band.





CAUTION: A LOOSE HARNESS IS DANGEROUS.

Make sure that nothing is obstructing harness straps and that child's arms and legs are free with the straps in the correct location as shown right. Do not wrap the child in a blanket or any other wrap.

Do not use the restraint if straps do not tighten and contact Britax Customer Service. Refer to back cover for details.





IMPORTANT:

The insert pad is designed to provide extra support and comfort and must be used for smaller children. Discontinue use when Baby Insert Pad is a tight fit, creates discomfort for larger children, or the child's shoulder reach the lower shoulder height marker or the child is over 6 months of age.

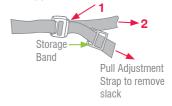
REMOVING CHILD FROM RESTRAINT

- **A.** Press the upper anchorage strap adjuster button while pulling upper anchorage straps to slacken. Allow the upper anchorage straps to fall to the sides for easy access into restraint.
- B. Lift and hold the harness adjustment lever or push and hold the harness adjustment button (whichever is fitted) while pulling both shoulder harness straps to slacken harness to the desired amount.
- **C.** Press the red button on harness buckle. Then both harness tongues will be released. Move each shoulder strap to child's side into the Harness Tongue Holders then remove the child.

TO REMOVE RESTRAINT FROM VEHICLE

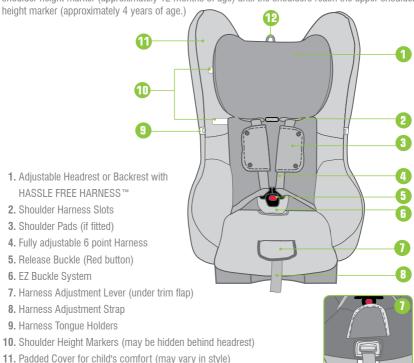
- A. Disengage seatbelt tongue from buckle and remove from the restraint.
- B. Fully press the upper anchorage strap adjuster button (1) while pulling the upper anchorage strap (2) to slacken as shown right. In some vehicles loosening of the upper anchorage strap may be difficult. If so, try pushing the restraint against the vehicle seat back or slightly lifting the restraint to release the tension.
- C. Disengage the attachment clip from the anchor fitting. The child restraint is now disconnected.
 - See page 36 for storage of the stabilising bar and the return to the upright position if required.

Fully press Adjuster Button (1) while pulling Upper Anchorage Strap (2) to lengthen.



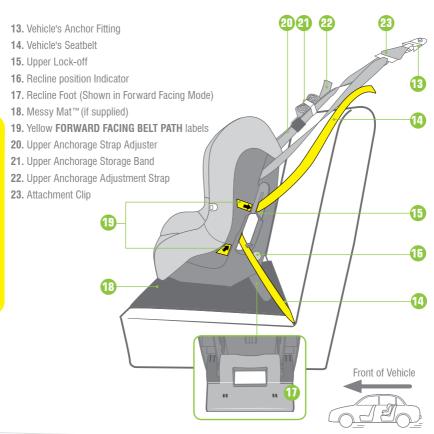
SPECIAL FEATURES - FORWARD-FACING

To be used only in a forward-facing position by children whose shoulders have reached the lower shoulder height marker (approximately 12 months of age) until the shoulders reach the upper shoulder



12. Headrest Lever

SPECIAL FEATURES - FORWARD-FACING



SUITABLE FOR USE

TO BE USED WITH A LAP SASH OR LAP ONLY SEATBELT IN THE BACK OF MOST CARS WITH FORWARD FACING SEATS.

Once the child's shoulders reach the lower shoulder height marker then the seat can be changed to the forward facing position and used until the child's shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker.

Continue to use this restraint in this forward facing mode until the child's shoulders reaches the limit of the lower shoulder height marker. The child should not sit forward facing until their neck muscles are able to support their head. Do not move to a Booster Seat until the child has outgrown this child restraint.

Regional Road Rules may prohibit the use of this restraint in the front seat of the vehicle until the child is 4 years of age. Check your Regional Road Rules for exemptions.



DO NOT USE RESTRAINT IN FORWARD-FACING MODE WITH THE REAR FACING MODE STABILISING BAR PULLED OUT.

Do not use the restraint without the Upper Anchorage Strap correctly attached.

If your vehicle is not fitted with an anchor point, please contact a Safety Restraint Fitting Station authorised by the relevant State Government Body for correct fitment of the restraint. In New Zealand contact the agent for the vehicle. The upper anchorage strap must be attached to an anchorage point using an extension strap if necessary.

Do not use on any vehicle seat which faces sideways or rearwards.

Do not use the Insert Pad (if fitted) in Forward Facing mode.

If an airbag is fitted in the desired seating position where the child restraint is fitted, follow the vehicle manufacturer's warnings and instructions.

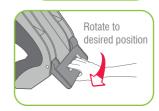
Children are of risk of serious injury if they move to a booster seat too early.

CONVERT THE RESTRAINT TO FORWARD FACING MODE

- **A.** To convert the restraint to forward facing mode (from rearward facing mode), simply squeeze the foot downwards to rotate the foot to the forward facing reclined position. The foot will automatically lock into position.
- **B.** Determine whether an upright or reclined position is preferred and adjust if necessary. To adjust the restraint to the fully upright position, grasp the handle on the foot, then squeeze the handle outwards and hold to release the lock. Rotate the foot fully downwards, then release the handle to lock the foot in the fully upright position. The label on the side of the restraint identifies the forward facing and reclined positions.
- **C.** Always check the foot is securely locked into position.









FULLY UPRIGHT FORWARD FACING



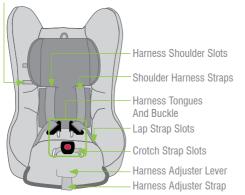
FULLY RECLINED FORWARD FACING

ADJUSTING HASSLE FREE HARNESS™ SHOULDER STRAP HEIGHT & **HEADREST: FOR FORWARD FACING USE**

Correct fitment of the harness is very important as it restrains the child in the restraint. The harness must fit firmly around the upper torso of the child and be positioned so as to leave the child's arms and legs free.

With the headrest adjusted so that the bottom edges are just above the child's shoulders the harness will then fit closely to the child's shoulders. If the headrest is in the top position and the shoulders are above the upper shoulder height marker then the child is too tall for the restraint and the restraint should not be used; move to next type of restraint (see pages 6 to 8).

Lower Shoulder Height Marker



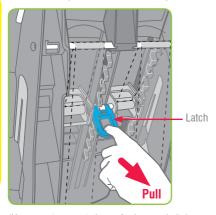


The shoulder strap slots must be positioned nearest to the child's shoulders, but not more than 25mm below the child's shoulders. There is only one set of slots so the seat will always have the shoulder straps in place once the headrest is positioned correctly, just above the child's shoulders.

NOTE: This child restraint does not require the straps to be disconnected to adjust their height, only the headrest needs to be moved to adjust the shoulder strap position.

HOW TO ADJUST THE HEADREST & HASSLE FREE HARNESS™

- A. Loosen the harness straps before adjusting the headrest.
- B. To make adjustments you will need to remove the child and the restraint from the vehicle or loosen the seatbelt.
- C. To adjust the headrest, pull on the latch on the back of the restraint and pull up or down to position the bottom of the headrest to be just above the child's shoulders. Release the latch to lock the headrest in position. Pull headrest upwards to check it is locked in position.





(Harness straps not shown for image clarity)

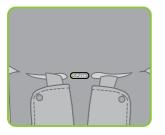


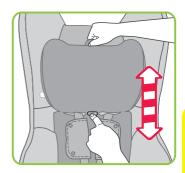
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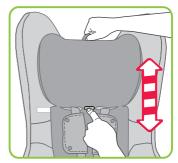
Ensure harness and headrest are positioned so that the shoulder straps are just above the child's shoulders but no lower.

HOW TO ADJUST THE HEADREST & HASSLE FREE HARNESS™ - Installed in vehicle

- A. Loosen the harness straps before adjusting the headrest.
- B. Place finger on the "PUSH" button, press in towards restraint, and lift lever to adjust upward or downward.

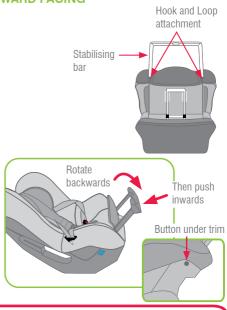






INSTALLING INTO VEHICLE FORWARD FACING (UPRIGHT OR RECLINED)

- A. Remove the seat from the vehicle by disengaging the seatbelt and upper anchorage strap.
- **B.** Remove the insert pad (if fitted) as this is no longer required.
- C. To store the stabilising bar, lift the cover at the end of the seat which uncovers the stabilising bar storage recess.
- D. Press the button on the left side (facing seat) and gently push stabilising bar back and then down into the recessed area.
- **E.** Re-attach the cover at the end of the seat.



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IMPORTANT:

DO NOT USE RESTRAINT IN FORWARD-FACING POSITION WITH THE STABILISING BAR PULLED OUT.

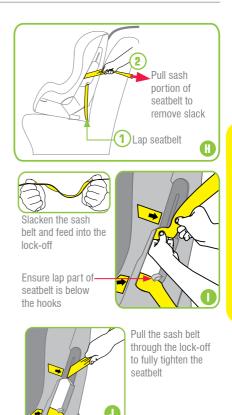
Do not recline into rearward facing position when using restraint in forward facing mode.

Ensure harness and headrest are in the correct position (Refer to page 33).

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- F. Position the restraint in forward facing mode and align restraint centrally within the chosen seating position.
 - Some vehicle seat fabrics (particularly velours) may be damaged by a child restraint used continuously. We recommend the use of a full Messy Mat[™] or thick towel to keep the vehicle seat in good condition.
- G. Fully lengthen seatbelt. Insert seatbelt tongue through the child use seatbelt path (yellow path), ensuring that the seatbelt is behind the harness straps and that the lap part of the seatbelt is below the hooks as shown
- H. Engage the seatbelt buckle and tongue, ensure to remove all slack from the lap part of the seatbelt 1 by pulling sash belt 2.
- Grasp the sash belt 2 between thumb and fingers in each hand and allow some slack in the belt. Now slide the slack belt up into the lock-off slot, up to the top of the slot. If the belt is not slack it will not enter the lock-off slot.
- J. Pull the sash belt 2 through the lock-off to fully tighten the seatbelt. The sash belt 2 must not be tight when feeding it into the lock-off slot. The child restraint should now be firmly fitted to the vehicle seat.

Allow the excess sash belt to feed back into retractor.



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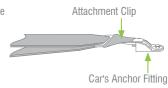
K. Fit the attachment clip on the upper anchorage strap to the anchor fitting as shown. Make sure to remove as many twists as possible from the upper anchorage strap.

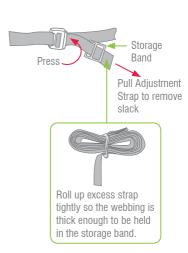


Always attach the hook and remove slack

- L. Tighten the adjustable upper anchorage strap by pulling the adjustment strap to remove slack as shown below, but do not over-tighten causing the restraint base to lift off the vehicle seat.
- **M.** Roll up the excess strap tightly so the webbing is thick enough to be held in the storage band.

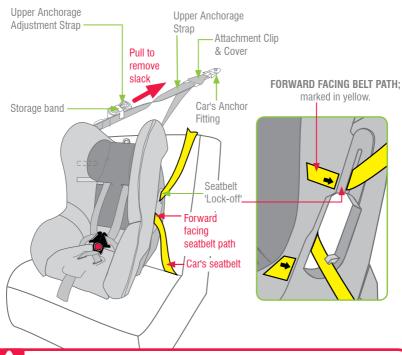
NOTE: Seatbelt extenders should not be used if the seatbelt is not long enough to secure the child restraint. If they are used then the buckle tongue must not enter the seatbelt path.





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FITTING SUMMARY



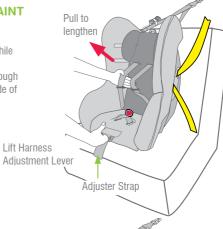
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IMPORTANT: Always roll up the excess Upper Anchorage Adjustment Strap.

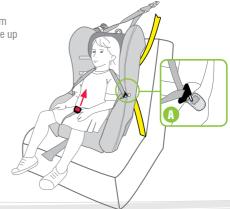
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PLACING CHILD IN THE RESTRAINT

A. Lengthen the harness by lifting the lever while pulling on both shoulder straps. Release harness adjustment lever when there is enough slack and place harness straps on each side of the seat into the harness tongue holders.

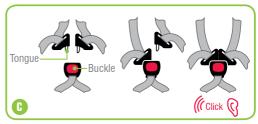


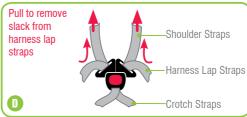
B. Place child in the restraint and feed each arm through shoulder straps. Pull harness buckle up between child's legs.



- C. Fit either harness tongue into the harness buckle followed by the other tongue until a click is heard. Should the second tongue not insert, press the red button and reinsert the tongues. Ensure secure engagement by pulling the harness straps.
- D. Remove all of the slack from the harness lap straps by pulling shoulder straps, then pull the harness adjustment strap to adjust harness to a comfortable but firm fit. Check that the slack in straps is removed. The shoulder harness straps must fit firmly to the child. A loose harness could result in serious injury in an accident.

Do not use restraint if straps do not tighten and contact your local authorised service agent for repair.





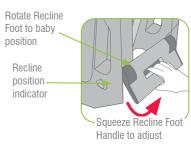




HOW TO USE

TO RECLINE RESTRAINT

The child restraint may be reclined or positioned upright without removing the child from the restraint but it is easier without the child. To fully recline the restraint, move recline foot by squeezing the Foot, squeezing the recline foot handle while rotating to the rearward facing position (refer to label on the side of the restraint) until the handle locks into position. Ensure recline foot locks into position. The extent of the recline will be limited by the location of the anchorage



point. Loosening of the upper anchorage strap may be required when positioning the restraint to either an upright or reclined position. Once the required position has been determined ensure to tighten the upper anchorage strap and re-check the car seatbelt tension i.e., all slack to be removed.

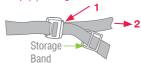
TO REMOVE CHILD

Press the red button on harness buckle and then both harness tongues will be released. Lift the shoulder straps from the child's shoulders, the child can then get out.

TO REMOVE RESTRAINT FROM VEHICLE

- A. Disengage the seatbelt tongue from the buckle and remove from the restraint. Pull the sash belt downwards to pull it out of the upper lock-off.
- B. Release the stored strap and fully press upper anchorage strap adjuster button (1) while pulling the upper anchorage strap (2) to slacken as shown right. In some vehicles loosening of the upper anchorage strap may be difficult. If so, try pushing the restraint against the vehicle seat back or slightly lifting the restraint to release the tension.
- C. Disengage attachment clip from anchor fitting. The child restraint is now disconnected.

Fully press Adjuster Button (1) while pulling Upper Anchorage Strap (2) to lengthen.



REGULAR CARE OF THIS RESTRAINT:

Please check the following items regularly to ensure the safety of your child:

- **A.** Check the webbing of the straps for fraying,
- **B.** Check there are no cracks in moulding.
- **C.** Check the harness adjuster is operating and is clamping the webbing.
- D. Ensure the buckle is free of fluff, liquid or other matter that may enter the buckle slots. Clean the buckle if it is sluggish to engage. See next page.
- E. If any part of the restraint is cracked or broken, seek repair immediately or replace the child restraint.

CLEANING CAR SEAT

Use only mild soap and water to clean all metal and plastic parts of the restraint. Do not use chemicals or cleaning agents.

HARDWARE: Use only mild soap and water to clean all webbing, metal and plastic parts of your child's restraint, using a damp cloth.

Do not use chemicals or cleaning agents. Do not try and place any hardware into a washing machine. STRAPS/HARNESS: We would only recommend that you spot clean the straps/Harness with a damp sponge. The harness straps can be soaked, however they must be thoroughly dried without excessive heat (never tumble dry). The harness straps should not be placed in a washing machine as this may cause damage to the stitching or even damage your washing machine.

CAR SEAT COVER: The restraint has a flame retardant cover which is removable for cleaning, please clip the hook and loop together on the cover and seat pad (if supplied) to prevent any damage to the cover when washing. Cleaning instructions are on the care label attached to the cover. All Car Seat covers are machine washable (gentle cycle), cold water only, rinse well and dry on a flat surface. Do not tumble dry.bleach or dry-clean.

BUCKLE OPERATION

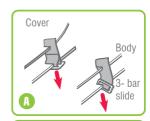
To ensure the buckle remains operational the inside of the buckle must be kept free of liquids, sand, dirt, fluff, food or similar substances. If the buckle is not operating or you do not hear a strong audible click when second tongue is inserted then the buckle needs to be washed or replaced. Contact Customer Service for assistance.

TO CLEAN HARNESS BUCKLE:

If sticky liquids such as baby formula, fruit juice, etc. get inside your harness buckle, it may become sluggish. An indication of a sluggish harness buckle is that you cannot hear a click when engaging the harness tongues. To restore the harness buckle to good working order it needs to be cleaned as follows:

- A. Remove the harness buckle from the restraint: From the underside of the restraint pull each crotch 3-bar slide then turn the 3-bar slide and push through each slot.
- **B.** Place the harness buckle under warm (max. 40 degrees Celsius) running water as shown below. Let the water run through the mouth of the buckle for five minutes. Check the harness buckle is clean by engaging the harness tongues and buckle several times until you hear a click.
- **C.** If you still cannot hear a strong audible click then repeat the cleaning process several times.
- D. Refit the harness buckle to the restraint ensuring the red button facing outwards and the 3-bar slide is fed through the same slots.

If the Harness Buckle cannot be returned to its original working condition then contact BRITAX Customer Service for assistance







COVER (STYLE MAY VARY)

The restraint has a flame retardant cover which is removable for cleaning. Cleaning instructions are on the care label attached to the cover. If fluffy cover is fitted then washing cover prior to use will remove excess fluff.

Drying the insert pad will take additional time as the impact foam will absorb moisture. Before washing re-engage the hook and loop on the cover and inset pad to prevent the 'hook' damaging the fabric. The cover has been designed to protect your child when seated in the restraint. Care should be taken if children either eat or drink while in the restraint as some food or drink products may cause damage or marking to the cover. Wash or clean immediately.

Do not pull sticky items from covers as the cover may be damaged - soak in water and gently remove.



! VERY IMPORTANT:

Only use this child restraint with the cover supplied or a manufacturer-authorised replacement cover with identical shoulder height markers.

TO REMOVE COVER:

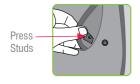
NOTE: There is no need to disconnect the shoulder harness assembly straps from restraint.

- Remove the restraint from vehicle.
- **B.** Disengage the harness tongues from the harness buckle.
- C. Remove any accessories, insert pad, crotch pad and shoulder pads (if fitted).



D. (i) To remove headrest cover from adjustable backrest child restraint:

Remove headrest cover by unclipping the press studs next to shoulder harness and unhooking the elastic loop attached to the headrest cover. Lift over and away from backrest.





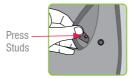
Unhook elastic loop attached to headrest cover



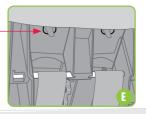


(ii) To remove headrest cover from adjustable headrest child restraint:

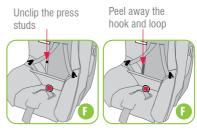
Remove headrest cover by unclipping the press studs next to the shoulder harness. At the back of the headrest hardware lift elastic loops over headrest and peel cover away from the seat.



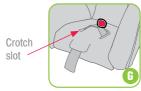
E. Unhook the elastic loops at the top of the cover located at the back of the restraint and the elastic loops at the bottom of the restraint located under the front of the restraint. Unhook elastic - loop at the back of the restraint



F. Remove the cover by unclipping any press studs or hook and loops.



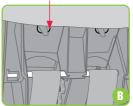
G. Feed crotch buckle, crotch strap slot in the cover and feed the shoulder harness behind the centre flap.



TO REPLACE COVER:

- A. Feed the harness tongues and shoulder straps through the side slots in the cover.
- B. Stretch the cover over the top of the restraint first, then the sides, then stretch the cover around the rim of the restraint. Attach the elastic loops at the top of the cover located at the back of the restraint and the elastic loops at the bottom of the restraint located under the front of the restraint. Re-attach and press studs or hook and loops together. Feed the crotch buckle through slot in cover.

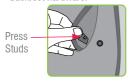
Hook elastic loop at the back of the restraint



C. Pull the adjuster strap through the cover. Ensure none of the harness straps are twisted.

D. (i) To replace headrest cover for adjustable backrest child restraint:

Lift headrest cover over backrest, re-attach the press studs together next to shoulder harness and hook elastic loop to the backrest hardware.



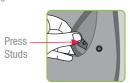


Hook elastic loop backrest hardware



(ii) To replace headrest cover for adjustable headrest child restraint:

Lift headrest cover over headrest, place elastic loops behind headrest and clip press studs together next to shoulder harness.





- **E.** Refit the insert pad (if fitted) or other accessories if required. If the headrest has moved then reset the headrest so the shoulder straps are near the shoulder. See pages 13 Rearward Facing and 33 Forward facing.
- F. Refit to the vehicle.

ACCESSORIES

ONLY USE BRITAX SAFE-N-SOUND SEAT COVERS AND ACCESSORIES THAT ARE DESIGNED AND TESTED FOR USE WITH THIS PRODUCT.

The following instructions apply to accessories that may be supplied with this restraint at point of purchase. If not, a variety of accessories are available from various retailers of Britax Safe-n-Sound products.

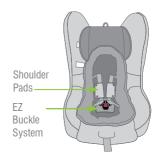
SHOULDER PADS (IF FITTED)

Shoulder pads are designed to provide extra comfort for baby or child and are easily fitted to the shoulder harness straps by:

- **A.** Pull apart fasteners and remove shoulder pads from harness.
- **B.** Re-fit shoulder pads to harness and attach fasteners for use.

POCKETS (IF FITTED)

The pockets sewn on the trim are designed for your convenience. They can hold those necessary items that you need at a moments notice. e.g. Bottle, face washer, toy etc. They can also hold a CD or MP3 player.





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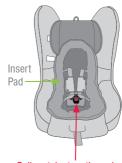
If using the pocket to store filled bottles, please ensure contents are not contaminated due to prolonged storage. Ensure contents are not crushed by car door when closing.

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INSERT PAD - STYLE MAY VARY

The insert pad is designed to snugly support baby for extra support and comfort and should be used for small babies when rearward facing. Discontinue use when the insert pad is tight fit or creates discomfort for larger babies or when the child's shoulder's reach the lower shoulder height marker. Do not use when in forward facing mode. Fit as follows:-

- A. Disconnect buckle and place insert under shoulder and lap straps.
- B. Feed the crotch strap through the flap in the insert pad and re-connect buckle.

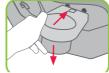


Pull crotch strap through flap in Insert Pad.

CUP HOLDER (IF SUPPLIED)

To fit the cup holder to the restraint, insert the locating tabs through the pair of holes on either side of the restraint. Slide the cup holder down until it locks into position. To remove, press the release trigger on the bottom of the cup holder, then slide up and out of the holes in the restraint. Ensure the cup holder and its contents can not be crushed by the car door. Store the cup holder when not in use.





Slide cup holder into the slots and then down, until it locks into position





WARNING:

Only use for holding cups, bottles and drink cartons.

Do not use for hot drinks.

ACCESSORIES

MESSY MAT™ (IF SUPPLIED)

The Messy Mat has been specifically designed to protect your vehicle seat from damage by the child restraint and children's shoes rubbing against it. If the Messy Mat has been supplied it must be used to protect the car upholstery.

Place pocket on edge of seat, smooth back toward seat join ('A') and fit in any excess Messy Mat into the join of the car seat ('A').





CAUTION:

The Messy Mat™ pocket is only for small, light items. DO NOT overload the pocket with heavy, bulky items as this may damage the pocket or cause passengers to trip over them.



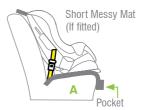
EZ Buckle system retains the harness buckle in a forward position and prevents the child from sitting on the buckle when boarding. Aids in opening harness and placing child in the seat.

A. Feed EZ Buckle system though slot in front of crotch buckle slot

B. Feed Crotch buckle through slot in EZ Buckle system as shown.

Ensure that the EZ Buckle system is behind the buckle- i.e. the buckle is in front





Note: Some Messy Mats may not have pockets.

TRAVELLING TIPS

SAFETY

Never hold a baby in arms when riding in a motor vehicle. In this position the baby could be thrown against the dashboard, windscreen or other occupant and suffer serious injury or death.

When riding in a motor vehicle, never nurse a baby and use the same seatbelt for both of you. In this position the baby or child could be crushed.

Children must be secured in appropriate restraints at all times when the car is in motion. Children travelling unrestrained and standing up in the car are in danger of serious injury or death. Traffic regulations in all states require children to be secured in child restraints or adult seatbelts where available

Plan your trip with frequent comfort stops to reduce stress on babies, young children and driver. Keep the car well ventilated to reduce heat stress. Two car windows should be kept open to maintain a good flow of fresh air if air conditioning is not used.

Never leave babies or toddlers in a stationary car in the sun because of the risk of heat exhaustion.

Ensure babies and toddlers are adequately shaded from direct sunlight through side or rear windows.

Be on guard against carbon monoxide poisoning which can occur through only a slight leak in the exhaust system while travelling in a closed car.

Securely stow all heavy objects, feeding bottles, etc. that could become missiles during an accident and cause injury to any occupant.

TRAVELLING TIPS

CLOTHING/BATHING

Take several changes of clothing and bibs for possible car sickness. Disposable nappies and liners are very handy while travelling. Since it is often warmer in the car, dress the baby in light clothing. When cooler, it is easier to place a blanket over the baby than it is to remove the baby from the restraint and change clothes.

FEEDING

Never breast feed a baby while car is in motion. Babies will require extra feeding if travelling in the heat. For bottle fed babies, make up the bottles and refrigerate before leaving home for a day trip. Place in a cool bag and reheat as needed with hot water from a thermos.

Alternatively, bring boiled water in a thermos and pre-measured amounts of baby formula in small containers. Use the water from the thermos to mix with the formula when required. Regardless which method is used, it is always a good plan to carry some boiled water in a sterile container or bottle.

Do not attempt to carry warm milk because germs multiply rapidly in warm milk.

Consult the vehicle owner's handbook for location of anchorage fittings or anchorage points and the possible use of spacers. Some vehicles may have an anchor fitting fitted by the vehicle manufacturer. If anchorage points cannot be found refer to car manufacturer or local child restraint fitting station or traffic authority for optimum position of anchorage point and the use of spacers.

UPPER ANCHORAGE STRAP

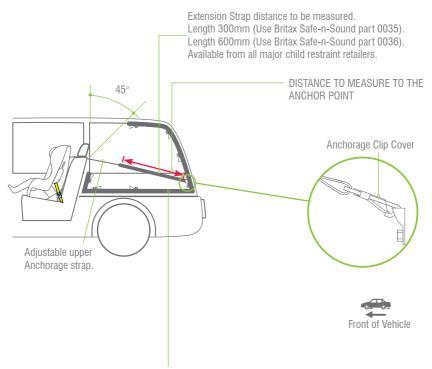


IMPORTANT:

THE ATTACHMENT CLIP COVER MUST ALWAYS BE USED AS IT PREVENTS THE RISK OF INCORRECT FITMENT OF THE ATTACHMENT CLIP TO THE ANCHOR FITTING. ALWAYS ENSURE THAT THE ATTACHMENT CLIP IS CORRECTLY ENGAGED TO THE ANCHOR FITTING AND NOT HOOKED OR FITTED TO ANY OTHER OBJECT BEFORE EACH USE OF THE RESTRAINT. THIS IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT IN VEHICLES SUCH AS STATION WAGONS, VANS, HATCH BACKS OR VEHICLES WITHOUT A FIXED PARCEL SHELF, SINCE THE ANCHOR POINT IS USUALLY NOT VISIBLE.

IMPORTANT INSTALLATION NOTE:

In some vehicles the anchor fitting in the rear vertical panel can only be installed in one way. Please refer to vehicle owner's handbook or a child restraint fitting station for correct method.



The shaded areas of this diagram illustrate the possible locations of the anchor fitting. Within each shaded area is an anchor fitting showing the correct way to install the fitting. Ensure the anchor fitting is aligned as illustrated unless stated otherwise in the vehicle owner's handbook.

IF THE CAR IS FITTED WITH CHILD RESTRAINT ANCHORAGE POINT

Locate the anchorage point behind the rear seating position. (consult the car owners handbook for the location of the anchorage point). The anchorage point should be directly behind and central to the restraint. Remove thread plug from the parcel shelf/floor/roof, etc. and install attachment bolt and fitting as shown in Fig 1.

CAUTION: DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN ATTACHMENT BOLT. OVERTIGHTENING MAY FRACTURE OR BREAK BOLT. MAXIMUM TORQUE IS 20 Nm (14.75 ft.lb.)

Note: Minimum of five full turns of attachment bolt is required before tightening force is applied.

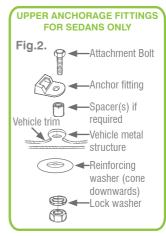
IF THE CAR IS NOT FITTED WITH CHILD RESTRAINT ANCHORAGE POINTS

For Sedans only - Drill 9mm diameter hole in the parcel shelf on the centre line of the seating position as shown in Fig 3. Before drilling the hole, check the underside for accessibility. Install the attachment bolt as shown in Fig 2.

For vehicles other than Sedans - In Australia, consult your nearest child restraint fitting station or traffic authority for vehicle inspection to find the best, correct position for the placement of the anchorage point, and for the correct attachment bolt length and use of spacers. In New Zealand, consult the agent for the vehicle.

Note to Queensland purchasers: The installation of anchorage points must be approved by authorised officers appointed by Queensland Transport. Authorised officers can be sourced from all Queensland Transport Customer Service and Queensland Ambulance Service Centres.



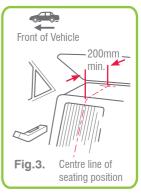


ONLY USE A 5/16 UNC GRADE 5 BOLT. IF THE BOLT IS NOT THE CORRECT LENGTH THE CAR MANUFACTURER'S HAND BOOK CAN PROVIDE ADVICE ON THE CORRECT LENGTH BOLT.



CHILD RESTRAINTS MUST NOT BE ATTACHED TO UNSOUND METAL OR TO WOOD, OR SYNTHETIC STRUCTURES. WHEN DRILLING 9 MM HOLE DO NOT DRILL THROUGH FUEL LINES, FUEL TANKS, ELECTRICAL WIRING, OR RADIO SPEAKERS. WEBBING STRAPS MUST BE PROTECTED FROM SHARP CORNERS AND EDGES. THE ANCHOR FITTING MUST BE USED ONLY AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. IT MUST NOT BE HOOKED ONTO ANY OTHER OBJECT.





CAR INSTALLATION ACCESSORIES (From retailers of Britax Safe-n-Sound products)

EXTRA ANCHOR KITS: Available for using the restraint in additional cars.

Re-order no: 0038

EXTENSION STRAPS: May be required for cars without a fixed parcel shelf.

Re-order no: 0035 (length 300mm) or 0036 (length 600mm)

GATED 3-BAR SLIDE (Locking clip): For converting lap-sash seatbelt to lap belt, and to obtain a better fit to the car where the fitted lock-off may not be suitable. Most cars will not need this.

Re-order no: 0215.

IN CASE OF ACCIDENT

If your restraint has been involved in a severe crash, you should destroy the restraint even if no damage is obvious. Some insurance companies offer vehicle insurance which covers or partially covers the replacement of your child restraint. Contact your insurance company for further details. Your insurance company may require you to keep the child restraint for assessment, but do not use the child restraint after a severe crash. To assist you in making an accident insurance claim cut the following statement and include it with your claim.

NOTICE TO INSURANCE COMPANY CHILD RESTRAINT INVOLVED IN AN ACCIDENT

All Britax Safe-n-Sound child restraints are manufactured to Australian/New Zealand Standards AS/NZS1754-2010 which requires us to advise users of child restraints to "Destroy the entire restraint if it has been in use in a severe crash, even if no damage is obvious". The joint Australian/New Zealand Standards committee CS/85, advise that this statement applies whether a child was in the child restraint or not. We consider a "server crash" as being one where the main body structure of the vehicle is distorted.

There is no method of determining if the restraint has been damaged and we concur with the Australian/New Zealand Standards in recommending destruction of the child restraint. This notice is to advise you of the requirements of the Australian/New Zealand Standards and our obligation in complying with the standards.

Please assist the owner of this restraint in their claim.

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CRASH FXCHANGE

We would never want you to experience an accident, but unfortunately accidents do happen.

If you experience an accident you may be eligible for a free replacement.

The Britax Safe-n-Sound Crash Exchange Program is a voluntary program designed to ensure that our children are safe and that any seat that may have experienced a severe crash is taken out of the market.

There is no method of determining if the restraint has been damaged in a severe crash, so the restraint should be destroyed as the crash may reduce the child restraints ability to perform.

Since its inception in 2006, the Crash Exchange program has helped 100's of families ensure that their children have new restraints and that the restraints are not sold second hand placing others at risk.

Our Crash Exchange Terms and Application form are accessible on our website. Please visit www.britax.com.au for further information.







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