

# HOW TO SELECT THE RIGHT CHILD SAFETY SEAT



## Rear Facing Infant Seats

Are used from birth until your child outgrows the seat by height or weight.



## Convertible Car Seats

Are used once your child outgrows their infant seat. These seats can rear-face up to 35 pounds, and can forward-face up to 65 pounds, depending on the brand and model.



## Forward-Facing Combination Seats

Are equipped with a 5-point harness system. The harness can be removed when your child is around age 4 and 40 pounds and used with the vehicle's lap and shoulder seat belt as a booster seat.



## High-Back Booster Seats

A booster seat is used when your child has outgrown a five-point harness. They are used with a lap and shoulder seat belt as the restraint. A high-back booster seat is equipped with belt-positioners and padded head supports.



## Backless Booster Seats

These seats boost your child for correct positioning of the lap and shoulder belt. They can only be used in vehicle seats with head rests.



Scan for an interactive seat fitting guide or visit [www.safecar.gov](http://www.safecar.gov).

- Never place a rear-facing car seat in front of an active air bag.
- Children should ride rear-facing until at least age 2.
- At around age 4 and 40 pounds, a booster seat may be used.
- Children should ride in a child safety seat until they are at least 8 years old and 4' 9" tall.
- Children should ride in the back seat until age 13.

For help installing your child safety seat visit [www.dmv.wv.gov/cps](http://www.dmv.wv.gov/cps).