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Infant Car Seat KEEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE USE. Read all instructions before using this child restraint.



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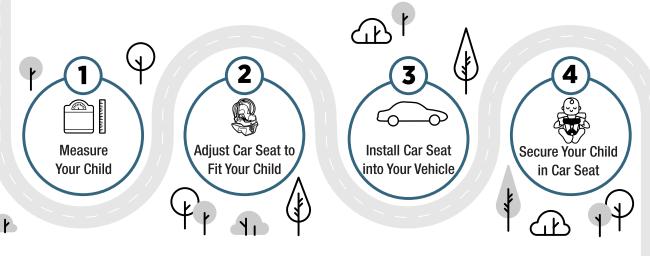


Failure to follow the warnings on the labels and in the instruction manual can result in serious injury or death to your child. Serious injury may include paralysis and/or permanent brain injury.

Welcome to the Maxi-Cosi family!

Thank you for choosing this car seat, also known as a child restraint!

To help you get started using your child's new car seat, here are the 4 main tasks you'll need to complete.



Your child's safety is worth the time it will take to read and follow these instructions.

Ready? Let's go!

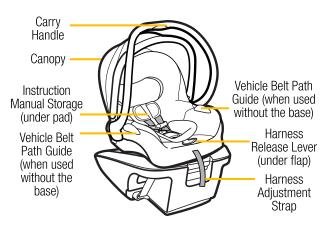
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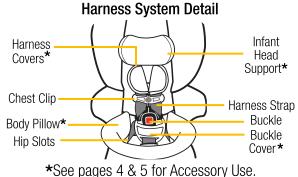
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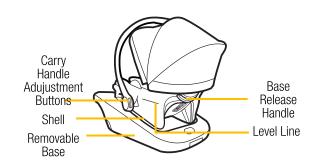
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Parts of Car Seat

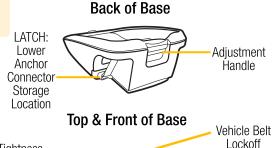








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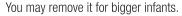


Side of Base LATCH: Lower Anchor Connector Storage Location



Infant Head Support

When using the infant head support, make sure it does not cover your child's face in any way.



To remove, pull it off the harness straps.





Harness Covers

The harness covers help provide comfort to your child's neck. If the harness covers will not allow proper positioning of the chest clip or interfere with getting a tight enough harness fit for a smaller infant, remove and **DO NOT** use.

Store until your child is large enough to use the harness covers while maintaining a properly fitting harness.

To remove, pull the fastening strips apart and pull the harness covers off the harness strap.



Buckle Cover

To remove, unbuckle the harness system and slide the buckle cover off the buckle.



Body Pillow

To remove, undo the buckle and pull it through the slot in the pillow.

Slide the pillow out from behind the harness straps.



WARNING

Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death to your child. Serious injury can include paralysis and/or permanent brain injury.

Be certain to measure your child's weight and height (do not guess) before using this car seat.

This car seat can only be used **REAR-FACING**.

Your child's height, weight, and age determine how the car seat should be placed in the vehicle.

Children vary widely in body size, shape, and temperament—please consult your doctor before switching between any modes within the limits and fit requirements of the car seat.

Infants and Toddlers

Children must ride rear-facing and remain rear-facing until they reach the maximum weight or height limits for rear-facing mode. Rear-facing child restraints installed behind another vehicle seat must be installed touching the back of the vehicle seat in front of it, or be as close as possible.



REAR-FACING

4–30 lb (1.8–13.6 kg) **and 32 in.** (81.3 cm) **or less in height**

This car seat can only be used Rear-Facing.

In this Rear-Facing only car seat, your child can use this restraint until they outgrow any one of the following:

• Weight Limit: **30** lb (13.6 kg); **0R**

• Height Limit: 32 in. (81.3 cm); **OR**

• Rear-Facing Child Fit, see page 10.





Remove Car Seat From Base

From the back of the car seat, slide the base release handle up and lift the car seat out of the base.





Fully Loosen Harness Straps

Push down on the harness release lever (through the opening in the pad) while pulling out on the harness straps as shown.

3



Unbuckle Harness

Press the red button to release the buckle tongues.

5



Release Chest Clip

While holding both sides of the chest clip, press the release button with your thumb and pull the chest clip apart.



Place Child in Car Seat to Determine Proper Harness Fit

The child's bottom and back should be flat against the car seat.

For Rear-Facing child fit, see page 10.



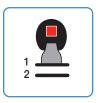
Check Head Position

The top of your child's head MUST be at least 1 in. (2.5 cm) below the top of the car seat.



Check Harness Strap Position

The harness strap **MUST** be placed at the shoulder when possible, or slightly below; never above.



Check Buckle Position

- Use the slot closest to your child.
- The buckle strap should not be underneath or behind your child.

Need to make adjustments?

To change harness height, see pages 11–12.

To change buckle position, see pages 13–14.

Changing Harness Strap Position





Fully Loosen Harness Straps

Push down on the harness release lever (through the opening in the pad) while pulling out on the harness straps as shown.

2



From Back of Car Seat, Remove Harness Strap Loops From Splitter Plate

3



Pull Harness Straps Out of Shoulder Harness Slots

4



Rethread Harness Straps Into Correct Shoulder Harness Slots For Your Child Make sure the shoulder harness slots in the pad are correctly lined up with the same shoulder harness slots in the shell.

For Rear-Facing child fit, see page 10.

5



Attach Harness Strap Loops to Splitter Plate





The sewn ends of the harness strap loops **MUST** face towards you.

DO NOT twist the harness strap or the harness adjustment strap.

Make sure both harness strap loops are fitted **completely on** both sides of the splitter plate.



Check your child's fit often. If you cannot achieve a snug harness fit for your child, see pages 15–18.

To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26–28.

Check the harness straps often for any wear or damage.

Changing Buckle Position



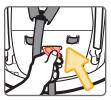
Unbuckle Harness

Press the red button to release the buckle tongues.



Turn Car Seat Over

Locate the buckle's metal retainer on the bottom of the shell.



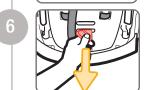
Rotate Metal Retainer and Push It Up Through Shell and Pad



From Top of Car Seat, Pull Buckle Out of Shell and Pad 5

Insert Buckle's Metal Retainer into Buckle Slot Closest to Your Child

The buckle **MUST** face out.



From Bottom of Car Seat, Pull Buckle's Metal Retainer Completely Through Pad and Shell



Check Buckle

Pull up on the buckle to make sure it is secured.

The buckle **MUST NOT** pull out.



Check your child's fit often. If you cannot achieve a snug harness fit for your child, see pages 15–18.

To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26–28.

AWARNING

Failure to place buckle's metal retainer completely through pad and shell can result in serious injury or death. Serious injury can include paralysis and/or permanent brain injury.

Harness System Adjustments for Smaller Infants



If you cannot achieve a snug harness fit for your child, you may need to adjust the buckle strap position and/or harness strap length and location as shown in this section.



With Buckle in the 1st Slot As Shown, Turn Car Seat Over

If you need to move the buckle to the 1st slot, see pages 13–14.



From Bottom of Car Seat, Pull Metal Retainer Towards You and Push It Up into 2nd Slot As Shown



From Top of Car Seat, Lift Pad Up and Lay the Metal Retainer Flat Against Shell As Shown



Replace Pad and Check Buckle

Pull up on the buckle to make sure it is secured.

The buckle **MUST NOT** pull out.



Fully Loosen Harness Straps

Push down on the harness release lever (through the opening in the pad) while pulling out on the harness straps as shown.



From Back of Car Seat, Remove Harness Strap Loops From Splitter Plate

Pull Harness Strap Out of Shoulder **Harness Slots**



Rethread Harness Strap Into Correct **Shoulder Harness** Slots For Your Child

Make sure the shoulder harness slots in the pad are correctly lined up with the same shoulder harness slots in the shell.

For Rear-Facing child fit, see page 10.



Attach Harness Strap Loops to **Splitter Plate** As Shown



The sewn ends of the harness strap loops MUST face towards you.

DO NOT twist the harness strap or the harness adjustment strap.

Make sure both harness strap loops are fitted **completely on** both sides of the splitter plate.



Check your child's fit often.

To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26-28.

Check the harness straps often for any wear or damage.

AWARNING

The harness system **MUST** be installed correctly. **DO NOT** use a child restraint with damaged harness straps.



To Remove Car Seat from Base

From the back of the car seat, slide the base release handle up and lift the car seat out of the base.



To Attach Car Seat to Base

Align the slots on the sides of the car seat with the lock bars in the base. Push down firmly on the carry handle and the front of the car seat to lock it to the base. You will hear a "click" when it is locked.

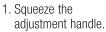


Pull up on the front two corners of the car seat by your child's feet to make sure it is locked to the base.

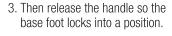


The base has multiple positions to help achieve the correct recline angle. The adjustment handle is at the back of the base.











The **horizontal** section of the angle indicator will turn **completely green** when correct. No red should be showing.

Base Foot Positions





The load leg is stored under the base. This is an optional feature.

The base install is equally safe with or without the use of the load leg.

In a crash, load legs reduce downward rotation, limit rebound, provide additional stability, and energy absorption.

- 1. Fold the load leg out.
- 2. Squeeze the buttons on the load leg and pull it down until it meets the vehicle floor.
- 3. Release the buttons.
- Lift the front of the base while holding the load leg in place to lock it into position. It MUST BE perpendicular to the vehicle floor.

AWARNING

DO NOT use the load leg on top of vehicle storage compartments. Review your vehicle owner's manual. **DO NOT** use the load leg if it does not reach the floor of your vehicle. When not in use, the load leg **MUST** be stored under the base.

Removing Canopy



Unzip Canopy From the Seat Pad



Pull Canopy Hub Off the Shell



For wash and care instructions, see page 52.

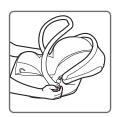
Installing Canopy



Attach Canopy Hubs to Shell



Zip Canopy Around Back of Seat





To Adjust Carry Handle

Squeeze both of the adjustment buttons on each side of the carry handle.

Rotate the carry handle up or down to the desired location. Release the buttons.

Make sure both carry handle adjustment buttons are in the locked position.

The carry handle must be upright AND locked when carrying and when installed in the vehicle.

AWARNING

Read ALL instructions before using child restraint as a carrier.

NEVER use carrier unless child is properly secured.

Use only as a carrier by children weighing 4–30 lb (1.8–13.6 kg) and 32 in. (81.3 cm) or less in height.

NEVER leave child unattended. Always keep child within arm's reach.

Suffocation Hazard: Infant carrier can roll over on soft surfaces and suffocate child. **NEVER** place carrier on beds, sofas or other soft surfaces.

Strangulation Hazard: Children have **STRANGLED** in loose or partially buckled harness straps. Fully restrain the child even when carrier is used outside the vehicle.



Fall Hazard: Child's activity can move carrier. **NEVER** place carrier on counter tops, tables, or any other elevated surface.

The carrier can fall from the shopping cart. **DO NOT** use on shopping cart.

DO NOT use the carrier if it is damaged or broken, or if any parts are missing.

Release Lever for Vehicle Belt Lockoff & LATCH: Lower Anchor Belts



This base has a release lever that has two functions: one for LATCH: Lower Anchor and one for vehicle belts.

Lockoffs prevent the vehicle belt from loosening after tightening.



Opening Release Lever

Lift release lever to open Lockoff and release LATCH: Lower Anchor belts.



Closing Release Lever

Push down on lever to close Lockoff and to allow the LATCH: Lower Anchor belts to retract.



Place Child in Car Seat

The child's bottom and back should be flat against the car seat.

Position the harness straps over your child's shoulders and upper thighs.



Buckle Harness

Push the buckle tongues into the buckle until you hear them "click". Pull up on the harness straps to make sure the buckle is locked.



Fasten Chest Clip

Insert the right half of chest clip into the left half and snap together.



Tighten Harness

Pull straight out on the harness adjustment strap to tighten the harness snugly.



Position Chest Clip

Slide the chest clip up the harness straps and position it at mid-chest (even with armpits) and away from your child's neck.





Check Harness Tightness

Try to pinch the harness at the shoulders vertically between index finger and thumb as shown.



If your fingers slip off, the harness is tight enough. If you can pinch the harness strap, tighten more.

A snug strap should not allow any slack. It lies in a relatively straight line without sagging. It does not press on the child's flesh or push the child's body into an unnatural position. If one side of the harness is tighter than the other, lengthen the tighter side by pulling up the harness near the hip slot.



Finished!

The child is now secured in the car seat.

Check your child's fit often and make any needed adjustments to the car seat as they grow.

To Remove Child From Car Seat:

- 1. Loosen harness strap.
- 2. Unbuckle harness.
- 3. Release chest clip.
- 4. Remove child.

AWARNING

Failure to fasten and tighten the harness system correctly may allow the child to be ejected from the child restraint in a crash or sudden stop causing serious injury or death. Serious injury can include paralysis and/or permanent brain injury.



DO NOT mistake comfort for safety. Harness system must be snugly adjusted.

DO NOT put snowsuits or bulky garments on your child when placing them in the child restraint. Bulky clothing can prevent the harness straps from being tightened properly.



4–30 lb (1.8–13.6 kg) **and 32 in.** (81.3 cm) **or less in height**

In this Rear-Facing only car seat, your child can use this restraint until they outgrow any one of the following:

• Weight Limit: 30 lb (13.6 kg); **OR**

• Height Limit: 32 in. (81.3 cm); **OR**

• Rear-Facing Child Fit requirements, see page 10.

Before installing the car seat in your vehicle, check your child's fit in the car seat.

This way you won't have to redo the vehicle installation to make adjustments to the car seat.

Rear-Facing Child Fit, see page 10.

AWARNING



NEVER install a rear-facing child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with an active frontal airbag.

Check the vehicle belt or the lower anchor belt before each use.

Use **ONLY** if the belt can be tightened properly and locked securely in place.

DO NOT fasten multiple lower anchor connectors on the same lower anchor bar in the vehicle.

Child restraint must be securely attached to base.

Even when unoccupied, this child restraint **MUST** be firmly secured to the vehicle with a lower anchor belt or with the vehicle seat belt.

This child restraint **MUST ALWAYS** face the rear of the vehicle.

There are 2 different methods for install. **Use only one:**







LATCH: Lower Anchor Belt

Vehicle Belt

WARNING

DO NOT use both the LATCH: lower anchor belt and vehicle belt at the same time to install the car seat.



- Review vehicle owner's manual. Determine the type of vehicle belts your car has and how to use them to lock a car seat in place OR where LATCH: lower anchor seating positions are located in your vehicle.
- If you are using a vehicle belt to install the seat, make sure the lower anchor belt is stored away (see page 60).

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Unfold Load Leg (On Select Models)

This is an optional feature.

In a crash, load legs reduce downward rotation, limit rebound,

provide additional stability, and energy absorption.

AWARNING

DO NOT fully extend yet. **DO NOT** use the load leg to adjust the base angle.

Review your vehicle owner's manual for load leg use.

2



Check Base Angle

The angle indicator will turn **completely green** when correct. No red should be showing.

Adjusting the Base

If the angle indicator is not correct, adjust the base foot. There are multiple positions.

- a. The adjustment handle is at the back of the base.
- b. Squeeze the adjustment handle to release the base foot.
- c. Then release the handle so the base foot locks into one of the positions.





NOTE: Only if necessary, you may need to place a tightly rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under the back of the base to help get the correct angle. Check the padding often to make sure it is still in place.

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Lift Release Lever

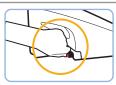


Check if Your Vehicle Belts Will Work With This Car Seat



Review pages 61–66 and your vehicle owner's manual to find out what kind of vehicle belts you have.

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Release LATCH: Lower Anchor Connectors from Storage Location



Press in red button.
Push connector into storage location. Then pull it and the belt out.



Attach Connectors to Vehicle Anchors

Review your vehicle owner's manual for LATCH: lower anchor locations and LATCH: lower anchor use.



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Route Belt through Belt Path Openings As Shown

The lap belt or the lap/ shoulder belt both go **completely under** the belt path guides and the Lockoff as shown.

Buckle the vehicle belt.

5A



Push Release Lever Down

You **MUST push the release lever down** in order for the LATCH: Lower Anchor belts to tighten.

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5B



Push Down on Base While Tightening Belt

You **MUST** tighten the vehicle belt **BEFORE** closing the Lockoff.



Check Tightness Indicators

The red will turn **completely green** when tightened correctly. No red should be showing.

You may need to adjust the base foot into another position for the tension indicators to turn completely green. See step 2.

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Push Down on Base to Tighten LATCH: Lower Anchor Belts

The belts will begin to automatically retract and tighten as you push down.



Check Tightness Indicators

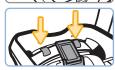
The red will turn completely green when tightened correctly. No red should be showing.

You may need to **adjust the base foot** into another position for the tension indicators to turn completely green. See **step 2**.

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6B





Push Release Lever Down

The lap belt or the lap/ shoulder belt both go completely under the belt path guides and the Lockoff as shown.

After the base has been installed, if your car has a switchable retractor, you may also use it to lock the belt. If the Lockoff cannot be used properly, then DO NOT install the base using vehicle belt installation.

You can also check the tightness by:



- Holding the base ONLY at the belt path with your non-dominant hand.
- Pushing and pulling from side to side.
- The base should not move more than
 1 in. (2.5 cm) at the belt path.

If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:

- Pushing down on the base more: **OR**
- Reinstalling the base; OR
- Changing to a different seating location; OR
- Switching to vehicle belt installation



Extend Load Leg

(On Select Models)

- a. Squeeze the buttons on the load leg and pull it down until it meets the vehicle floor.
- b. Release the buttons.
- c. Lift the front of the base while holding the load leg in place as shown to lock it into position. It MUST BE perpendicular to the vehicle floor.

A WARNING

DO NOT use the load leg if it does not reach the floor of your vehicle. **DO NOT** use the load leg on top of vehicle storage compartments. Review your vehicle owner's manual.

Secure Child in Car Seat

To properly secure your child in the car seat, see pages 26–28.

Check your child's fit often and make any needed adjustments to the car seat as they grow.

9



Attach Car Seat to Base

Pull up on the front two corners of the car seat by your child's feet to make sure it is locked to the base.



The carry handle MUST be upright AND locked when carrying and when installed in the vehicle.

10



Recheck Level Line

Redo the installation if the shell level line is not parallel with the ground.





Only if necessary, you may need to place a tightly rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under the front of the base to help make the level line parallel with the ground.

Check often to be sure padding is still in place and the belt is tight.

Finished!



Check the tightness of the install often to make sure it has not loosened. When using the passenger or driver-side locations, the car seat **MUST** be touching the back of the vehicle seat in front of it, or be as close as possible.



4–30 lb (1.8–13.6 kg) and **32** in. (81.3 cm) or less in height

In this Rear-Facing only car seat, your child can use this restraint until they outgrow any one of the following:

• Weight Limit: 30 lb (13.6 kg); **OR**

• Height Limit: 32 in. (81.3 cm); **OR**

• Rear-Facing Child Fit requirements, see page 10.

Before installing the car seat in your vehicle, check your child's fit in the car seat.

This way you won't have to redo the vehicle installation to make adjustments to the car seat.

Rear-Facing Child Fit, see page 10.

AWARNING



NEVER install a rear-facing child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with an active frontal airbag.

Check the vehicle belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and locked securely in place.

Even when unoccupied, this child restraint **MUST** be firmly secured to the vehicle with the vehicle seat belt.

This child restraint **MUST ALWAYS** face the rear of the vehicle.









Lap/Shoulder Belt

Lap Belt



Before installing the car seat in your vehicle, check to see if you need to adjust the buckle position for your child. **See page 10 for child fit.** Once the car seat is installed, you will not be able to adjust the buckle position.

Review Vehicle Owner's Manual

Determine the type of vehicle belts your car has and how to use them to lock a car seat in place.





Secure Child in Car Seat

To properly secure your child in the car seat, see pages 26–28.

Check your child's fit often and make any needed adjustments to the car seat as they grow.





Place Car Seat in Vehicle Rear-Facing

Center the car seat in the chosen seating position.



The carry handle MUST be upright and locked when carrying and when installed in the vehicle.

3



Check Level Line

Check the level line on the side of shell to see if it is parallel with the ground.

Adjust if needed.

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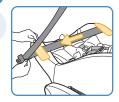


Check if Your Vehicle Belts Will Work With This Car Seat

This is very important because not all vehicle belts will work with car seats.

Review pages 61–66 and your vehicle owner's manual to find out what kind of vehicle belts you have and how to lock a car seat in place.





Route Vehicle Lap or Lap Portion of the Lap/ Shoulder Belt through the Vehicle Belt Path Guide on Both Sides of Shell As Shown





Buckle Vehicle Belt

If your car's vehicle belt has a switchable retractor, use it to lock the vehicle belt.

For information about switchable retractors, see page 63 or review your vehicle owner's manual.





Tighten Belt

Lay your forearm across the car seat at the belt path while pulling the shoulder belt or the free end of the lap belt to tighten.





Check Belt Tightness

Hold the car seat at the belt path with your non-dominant hand. Push and pull from side to side. It should not move more than 1 in. (2.5 cm) at the belt path.

If it moves more than 1 in. (2.5 cm), you can try:

- Pulling the belt tighter; **OR**
- Reinstalling the car seat; OR
- Changing to a different seating location.





Recheck Level Line

Redo the installation if the level line is not parallel with the ground.



Only if necessary, you may need to place a tightly rolled towel(s) or foam pool noodle(s) under the front of the car seat to help make the level line parallel with the ground.

Check often to be sure the padding is still in place and the belt is tight.

Finished!



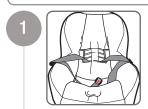
Check the tightness of the install often to make sure it has not loosened. When using the passenger or driver-side locations, the car seat **MUST** be touching the back of the vehicle seat in front of it, or be as close as possible.

Removing Seat Pad Set for Cleaning



You do not need to remove the harness system to remove the pad.

To remove accessories, see pages 4–5.



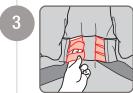
Release Chest Clip and Buckle



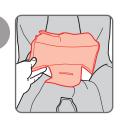
Remove Canopy

Unzip the canopy from the seat pad.

Pull the canopy out of side of shell.



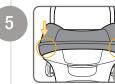
Pull Shoulder Harness Pad Slots Out From Behind Plastic Strip in Pad As Shown



Pull Back Panel of Pad Forward As Shown

Pull the buckle down through the slot in the pad.

Push the harness strap behind the panel.



Undo the Pegs on the Back of the Seat Pad

- a. Run your hand across the back of the seat pad until you feel one of the two pegs as shown.
- b
- b. Press down on the peg to unlock and pull it out of the slot to release.
- c. Repeat steps a and b to release the other peg.



From Top Of Car Seat, Pull Pad Off of Shell

Pull the buckle and the harness adjustment strap through the pad. Carefully pull the seat pad around the vehicle belt path guides.





Fully Loosen Harness Strap

Push down on the harness release lever (through the opening in the pad) while pulling out on the harness strap as shown.





Unthread Chest Clip





From Back of Car Seat, Remove Harness Strap Loops From Splitter Plate 5



Unthread Buckle
DO NOT unbuckle.

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Pull Harness Strap Out of Shoulder Harness Slots

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Pull Harness Strap Out of Hip Harness Slots

7



Turn Car Seat Over

Locate the buckle's metal retainer on the bottom of the shell.

8



Rotate Metal Retainer and Push It Up Through Shell and Pad

9



From Top of Car Seat, Pull Buckle Out of Shell and Pad

Cleaning Pad and Accessories

Machine wash separately with cold water on a gentle cycle. **DO NOT** use bleach. Tumble dry separately for 10–12 minutes on low heat. Remove immediately.

Cleaning Harness Strap

Check the harness straps often for any wear or damage.

Spot clean using warm sudsy water and damp cloth. Spilled food and liquids on the car seat may result in mold or bacterial growth over time. These spills could also attract insects or rodents.

To Clean Canopy

Hand wash using warm sudsy water. Line dry.

Cleaning Buckle and Car Seat

Spot clean using warm sudsy water and damp cloth. **DO NOT** submerge into water.

AWARNING

DO NOT use the child restraint without the seat pad or with damaged harness straps.







To Reattach the Seat Pad After Washing

Start by inserting the vehicle belt path guides into the openings on the seat pad as shown. Then, from the bottom, wrap the seat pad around the edges of the seat.

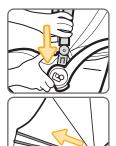
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Lock Pegs into Back of Shell

Wrap the seat pad around the top of the seat. Line up one peg with the corresponding slot on the seat. Push the peg in and press up to lock it into place. Repeat with the other peg.





Install Canopy

Attach the canopy hubs to the shell.

Zip the canopy around the back of seat.

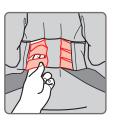


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Pull Harness Adjustment Strap and Buckle Through Slots in Pad

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Tuck Pad Behind Harness Strap

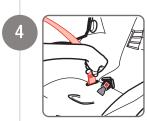
Thread the harness strap into the shoulder harness slots in the pad and push the slits behind the plastic strip in the pad.





Insert Buckle's Metal Retainer into Buckle Slot Closest to Your Child

The buckle **MUST** face out.



Thread Harness Strap

With the sewn end of the harness strap loop facing the buckle, thread the harness strap down through the hip harness slot.





Pull Buckle's Metal Retainer Completely Through Pad and Shell





Lift Up Front of Pad and Weave Harness Strap In and Out of Shell as Shown



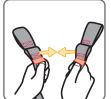


Check Buckle

Pull up on the buckle to make sure it is secured.

The buckle **MUST NOT** pull out.





Make Harness Strap Even

The sewn ends of the harness strap loops **MUST** face each other.

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Thread Buckle and Chest Clip

The harness strap ends go through the back of the buckle tongues and through the chest clip, front to back as shown.





Rethread Harness Strap Into Correct Shoulder Harness Slots for Your Child

Make sure the shoulder harness slots in pad are correctly lined up with the same shoulder harness slots in shell.

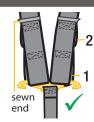
For Rear-Facing Child Fit, see page 10.





Attach Harness Strap Loops to Splitter Plate





The sewn ends of the harness strap loops **MUST** face towards you.

DO NOT twist the harness strap or the harness adjustment strap. Make sure both harness strap loops are fitted **completely on** both sides of the splitter plate.



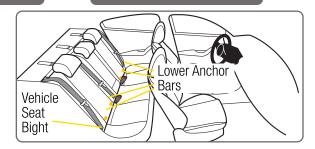
Check your child's fit often.
If you cannot achieve a snug harness fit for your child, see pages 15–18.

To learn how to check harness tightness, see pages 26–28.

Check the harness straps often for any wear or damage.

WARNING

The harness system **MUST** be installed correctly. **DO NOT** use a child restraint with damaged harness straps.

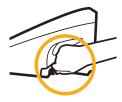


Your vehicle's features may be considerably different than those pictured here.

The lower anchors of **LATCH** (Lower Anchors and **T**ethers for **CH**ildren) is a universal system for installing car seats without using vehicle seat belts. The LATCH: lower anchor belt can **ONLY** be used in vehicles that have the lower anchor bars installed in designated seating positions. Most vehicles manufactured after September 2002 are equipped with LATCH: lower anchor bars. Check your vehicle owner's manual to see which seating positions may be equipped with LATCH: lower anchor bars.

AWARNING

DO NOT use both the lower anchor belt and vehicle belt at the same time.



Removing Connectors from Storage Location

Press in red button. Push connector into storage location. Then pull it and the belt out.



Storing Lower Anchor Belt

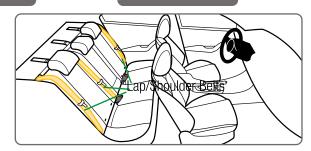


as shown.



Removing Lower Anchor Belt from Vehicle Anchor Bars

Press the red release button on each connector, then pull the connectors out of the vehicle seat.



Your vehicle's features may be considerably different than those pictured here.

If lower anchors are not an option, you **MUST** use the vehicle seat belt system to install the car seat.

Not all vehicle belts and seating positions will work with car seats.

Please go through the following steps to understand how to lock a car seat with a vehicle belt.





You Must Review Your Vehicle Owner's Manual

Your vehicle owner's manual will let you know which vehicle belts and seating positions car seats can be installed in.

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Determine How This Car Seat Will Be Locked Into Place

The vehicle belt **MUST NOT** loosen after tightening.

This means there needs to be a way to lock the vehicle belt.

The ways this can be done are:

- By using the seat belt's retractor (see step 4); OR
- By using the seat belt's latch plate (see step 5).





Lockoff

When used correctly, this base's Lockoff will lock the vehicle belt.

Please go to the vehicle belt with base installation section of the manual to see how to properly use this feature.

Vehicle Install with Base | Page 31



If you will be installing without the base, you **MUST** lock the vehicle belt using the retractor or the latch plate; continue to step 4.





Check Retractor

Retractors pull seat belts into stored positions and lock the belt to hold passengers in place.

See the next page for some common types of vehicle belt retractors that will work with this car seat.

Types of Retractors

Switchable Retractor

(most vehicles have this type)



This retractor can be switched to a locking mode.

You **MUST have the retractor in the locking mode** to use the seat belt with this car seat.

Switching to locking mode: Slowly pull the shoulder belt all the way out, then let it go back in 1–2 in. (2.5–5 cm).

As it goes back in, you will most likely hear a ratcheting sound.

Gently pull the belt to see if it has locked. You will not be able to pull any more belt out if the lock has engaged.

Automatic Locking Retractor



This retractor always locks.

It will automatically lock after slowly pulling the seat belt out at least halfway and letting the belt go back into the retractor 1–2 in. (2.5–5 cm).

Emergency Locking Retractor

See Step 5, Check Latch Plates.

If the retractor does not lock, it is most likely an Emergency Locking Retractor. These retractors only lock during a sudden stop or collision.

You will need to determine if your seat belt's latch plate can lock the belt. See step 5, Check Latch Plates.



Check Latch Plates

Latch plates are the part of the seat belt that goes into the buckle.

To see if the latch plate locks:

- 1. Buckle vehicle belt.
- **2.** Slowly pull up on the lap portion of the vehicle belt.



Locking Latch Plate

If the vehicle belt does not slide through the latch plate, it's locked.

If the vehicle belt slides through the latch plate, it is a **sliding latch plate**.



Sliding Latch Plate

Sliding latch plates easily slip between the lap and shoulder portions of the belt.

If you have an emergency locking retractor with a sliding latch plate, contact us for a locking clip or refer to the lock off section of base installation on page 31–40.



Never Use the Following With This Car Seat:

- Emergency Locking Retractor Lap Only Belt
- Inflatable Seat Belts

AWARNING

NEVER take your child out of the child restraint while the vehicle is moving.

NEVER leave your child unattended.

Placing your child in a hot child restraint may result in burns.

DO NOT use a child restraint with damaged or missing parts.

DO NOT use a child restraint with cut, frayed, or damaged harnesses.

DO NOT substitute parts or try to modify the child restraint in any way. **DO NOT** lubricate buckles and fasteners.

DO NOT use any child restraint accessory except those approved by Dorel Juvenile Group.

NEVER allow any child to play with this child restraint; it is not a toy.

DO NOT remove or cover up any of the warning labels or other labels on the child restraint

This child restraint has been certified for use in passenger vehicles. **DO NOT** use in a boat, on a motorcycle, or in a cargo van or bus where there are no seat belts or tether anchors.

Read all instructions for additional warnings.

WARNING



NEVER place a child rear-facing in a seating position with an active frontal air bag.



Check the vehicle owner's manual for more information about air bag/child restraint use.



Use the child restraint only on vehicle seats that face forward.

DO NOT use on seats that face the sides or rear of the vehicle.

For vehicles without a back seat, refer to your vehicle owner's manual.



According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained in the rear seating positions than in the front seating positions.

Rear seating positions are statistically safer, whether you have air bags, advanced air bags, or no air bags at all. If you are not sure where to place the car seat in your vehicle:

- Consult your vehicle owner's manual; OR
- Contact Dorel Juvenile Group Consumer Care Department;
 OR
- Visit your local Child Passenger Inspection Station. Go to https://www.nhtsa.gov/vehicle-safety/car-seats-and-boosterseats to find your closest station.

To avoid your child being seriously burned, take the following precautions:

- Park in the shade or where the sun does not directly hit the car seat.
- Cover the car seat with a sheet or blanket when not in use.
- Check for hot seat and buckles before placing child in car seat.

To help protect your vehicle seat's upholstery from damage: you may use an accessory approved by Dorel Juvenile Group or a single layer towel underneath and behind car seat.

WARNING

Check the vehicle belt or lower anchor belt before each use. Use only if the belt can be tightened properly and locked securely in place.

Even when unoccupied, this child restraint **MUST** be firmly secured to the vehicle with the lower anchor belt or with the vehicle seat belt.

In a crash or sudden stop, an unsecured child restraint could injure occupants.

Replacement and Expiration of Car Seat

Do not risk your child's safety.

To keep your child as safe as possible, Dorel Juvenile Group strongly recommends replacing the car seat even after a minor crash; even if it was not occupied at the time.

Replacement After a Minor Crash

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration states that for a crash to be considered minor **ALL of the following MUST be true:**

- Vehicle able to drive away from the crash site; AND
- Vehicle door nearest the car seat was not damaged;
 AND
- No passengers were injured; AND
- Airbags did not deploy; AND
- There is no visible damage to the car seat.

If the crash your car seat was involved in meets **ALL** the criteria, you may not need to replace the car seat.

If one or more of these criteria are not true or if you are uncertain of any of your answers, replace the car seat immediately.

Replacement After a Moderate to Severe Crash

You **must** replace this car seat if it has been in a moderate to severe car crash.

This car seat is intended to protect a child in a single crash.

During a crash, the car seat and all of its parts absorb crash energy, which can deform or weaken it. Damage is not always visible. A damaged car seat must be replaced immediately.



Expiration

On the back of the car seat there is a date of manufacture label as shown.

Do not use this car seat more than 8 years after the date of manufacture.

Registration and Safety Notices

Please complete the postage-paid registration card that came with your child restraint, and send it to us.

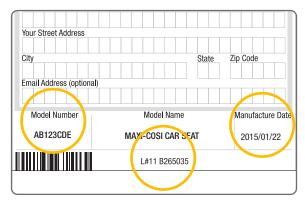
Child restraints could be recalled for safety reasons. You must register this restraint to be reached in a recall. Send your name, address, e-mail address if available and the restraint's model number and manufacturing date to:

Dorel Juvenile Group

P.O. Box 2609 Columbus, IN 47202

or call 1-800-544-1108 or register online at: www.djgusa.com/registration/carseat/us.

For recall information, call the U.S. Government's Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153), or go to http://www.NHTSA.gov.



Example of model number, line code, and manufacture date.



If you don't have the card or if your address changes, you will find the model number, manufacture date, and line code on the label located on the back of the shell.



This restraint is certified for aircraft use when used with the internal harness.

Install the car seat in a window seat to avoid blocking the aisle. If the aircraft lap belt is too short, ask the flight attendant for a belt extender.

Use only on forward-facing aircraft seats.

Contact the airline for their specific policies.

Some airlines may ask to see a label stating that this car seat is certified for aircraft use.



There is an airplane certification label located on the side of this car seat as shown.



Rear-Facing Aircraft Installation without Base

Follow pages 43-46.

You can only install this child restraint in the aircraft without the base.

 If the child restraint buckle or harness release lever sticks or you cannot get the straps tight enough around child:

DO NOT LUBRICATE. Check around lever and retractor for dropped food, sticky spilled drinks, dirt, leaves, etc. Clean with warm water and/or remove object with tweezers. If you cannot get the harness to adjust and remain tight with the buckle securely locked, do not use the child restraint.

2. If your harness twists:

Straighten the harness each time you put your child in the child restraint to help prevent twisting. Lock the buckle and tighten harness so it will be ready for next use.

Dorel Juvenile Group, Inc. (DJG) warrants this product to the original retail purchaser as follows: This product is warranted against defective materials or workmanship for one year from the date of original purchase. **An original receipt is required to validate your warranty.** DJG will, at its option, provide replacement parts or replace this product. DJG reserves the right to substitute if the part or model has been discontinued.

To make a claim under this warranty contact our Consumer Care Department by phone at 1-800-544-1108; or text us at 1-812-652-2525. Our hours of operation are from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. EST Monday through Thursday and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

Proof of purchase is required and shipping charges are the responsibility of the consumer.

Warranty Limitations: This warranty does not include damages which arise from misuse or abuse of this product.

Limitation of Damages: The warranty and remedies as set forth are exclusive and in lieu of all others, oral or written, expressed or implied. In no event will DJG or the dealer selling this product be liable to you for any damages, including incidental or consequential damages, arising out of the use or inability to use this product.

Limitation of warranties and other warranty terms and state law rights: Any implied warranties, including implied warranties of the merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, shall be limited to the duration and terms of the express written warranty. Some states do not allow limitations as to how long an implied warranty lasts or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights, which vary from state to state. Neither DJG nor the dealer selling this product authorized any person to create for it any other warranty, obligation, or liability in connection with this product.

Please note: Our product warranty only applies when purchased from an authorized Maxi-Cosi retailer. The origin of products not purchased through these authorized retailers is unknown and could be counterfeit.

We cannot support products from an unknown origin as we cannot verify the handling or condition of such merchandise. We maintain a strong network of authorized retailers to ensure you are purchasing safe and complete products.

Fulfillment by a third party does not guarantee you are purchasing from one of these authorized retailers.

Pricing which is inconsistent with the majority of retailers is a strong indication that the retailer is not authorized, as we have a consistent price offering across all authorized retailers.

If you are unsure of the authorization status of a retailer you are considering purchasing from, or have purchased from, you can check www.maxicosi.com/us-en/shops.aspx; or call our Consumer Care Department at 1-800-544-1108; or text us at 1-812-652-2525.

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Chest Clip	Harness Straps
Buckle Assembly	Instructions
Seat Pad Set	Locking Clip
Base	Canopy Hoop

Lower Anchor Belt

If requested color is not available, similar color will be substituted.

Applicable tax and shipping & handling will also be added.

For parts availability and questions,

Call: 1-800-544-1108 **Text:** 1-812-652-2525 **Chat:** www.maxicosi.com

If you already know which parts you need, you may complete your order with a credit card by calling us at 1-800-544-1108.

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We accept Visa or MasterCard. Hours of Operation:

M-TH: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM EST FRI: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM EST Thank you for choosing this car seat, also known as a child restraint. The DJG family is committed to creating car seats with the most comfort and convenience available today.

Remember, parents are a child's first teachers and examples. If you always buckle your seat belt, your child will think it is the natural thing to do. Make it a firm rule that the vehicle does not go until everyone is buckled up. Make no exceptions.

No one can predict if use of a car seat will prevent injury or death in a particular crash. However, when combined with careful driving, proper use of a car seat can lower a child's risk of injury or death in most crashes.

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