

Save me *with* a seat.

Infants and young children should always be seated in the back seat of your vehicle.



Stage 1

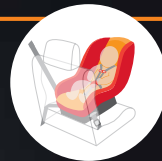
Rear-facing seats

All infants and toddlers should ride in a **Rear-Facing Safety Seat** until they are 2 years of age or until they reach the highest weight or height allowed by their safety seat's manufacturer.

Stage 2

Convertible seats and forward-facing seats

Children 2 years or older, or those younger than 2 years who have outgrown the rear-facing weight or height limit for their safety seat, should use a **Forward-Facing Safety Seat** with a harness for as long as possible, up to the highest weight or height allowed by their safety seat's manufacturer.



Stage 3

Booster seats

All children whose weight or height is above the forward-facing limit for their safety seat should use a **Belt-Positioning Booster Seat** until the vehicle seat belt fits properly, typically when they are taller than 4 feet 9 inches in height and are between 8 and 12 years of age.

Stage 4

Seat belts

When children are old enough and large enough to use the vehicle seat belt alone, they should always use **Lap and Shoulder Seat Belts** for optimal protection. Lap portion should be low over the hips/tops of the thighs and shoulder belt should cross the center of the shoulder and center of the chest. Up to 13 years old, children are always safest in the back seat.

