


# Booster Seats **STAGE 3**

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Car Seat  
Safety Information  
for Parents & Caregivers

## Is my child ready for a booster seat?

- ➡ Children stay harnessed until they are at least four years old AND 40 pounds. Children who do not meet both of these conditions may need a high-weight harness seat.
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- An illustration of a grey booster seat with a green seat cushion. A white harness with a buckle is shown across the seat, demonstrating how it would be used.
- ➡ Place the lap belt low over the hips.
  - ➡ Place the shoulder belt across the center of the chest. Belt should not ride up on neck or down on arm.
  - ➡ Booster must be used with both a lap and shoulder belt. Using only a lap belt can cause serious injury or death.
  - ➡ No-back boosters may be used if the vehicle's seat has a high back or a headrest and the belt fits correctly on the shoulder. If the vehicle does not have a head rest, use a high backed booster.
  - ➡ Children should ride in boosters until the answer is "yes" to the five proper belt fit questions on the back of this card, regardless of age.

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