

# Seat Belt **STAGE 4**

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Car Seat  
Safety Information  
for Parents & Caregivers

**Children ride  
in the back  
seat until they  
are at least 13  
years of old.**



**Use these tips to  
ensure children are  
safe and secure.**

When children outgrow their booster seats, they are at least eight years old AND the belt fits them properly. **TAKE THE 5 STEP TEST!**

## **5 Step Test for Proper Belt Fit**

- 1.** Does the child sit all the way back against the vehicle's seat?
- 2.** Is the lap belt below the stomach, touching the thighs?
- 3.** Is the shoulder belt centered on the shoulder and chest?
- 4.** Do the child's knees bend comfortably at the edge of the vehicle's seat?
- 5.** Can the child stay seated like this for the whole ride?

If the answer is "no" to any of these questions, the child needs a booster seat in order for the shoulder belt and the lap belt to fit properly and provide the best crash protection.

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