
Important Safety Reminders

- Never hold a baby or child on your lap when riding in a car. If you are wearing your seat belt, the violent forces created during a crash will tear the child from your arms. The child could be seriously hurt or killed.
- If you are holding a child and not wearing a seat belt in a crash, you could crush the child against the inside of the car.
- Never put your seat belt over yourself and a child. During a crash, the belt could press deep into the child and cause serious internal injuries.
- Two children should never use the same seat belt. If they do, they could be very seriously injured in a crash.

General Guidelines for Restraining Children Under 40 Pounds (18 kg)

Use an approved child seat. The seat must meet Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard 213 (FMVSS-213) or Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. Look for the manufacturer's statement of compliance on the box and seat.

Use a seat of the right size. Make sure the seat fits your child. Check the seat's instructions and labels for height and weight limits.

Secure the child seat to the car. All approved child seats are designed to be secured in the car seat by the lap belt or the lap belt portion of a lap/shoulder belt. A child whose seat is not properly secured to the car can be endangered in a crash.

To properly route a seat belt through a child seat, follow the seat maker's instructions. If you use a lap/shoulder belt, be sure you install a locking clip on the belt (see page [35](#)).

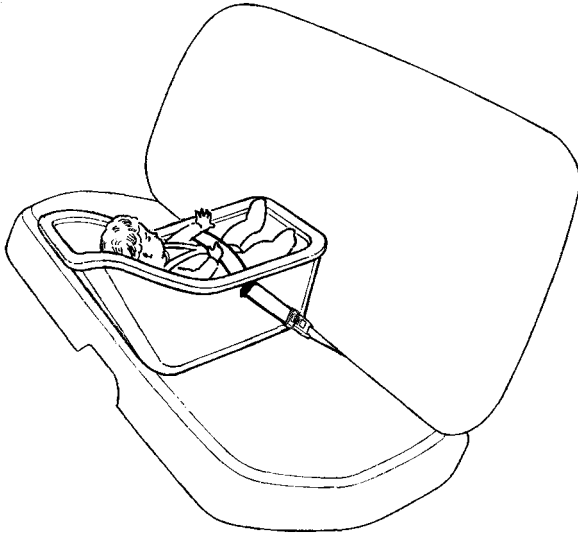
Secure the child in the child seat. Make sure the infant or child is firmly secured to the child seat. Use the straps provided, and carefully follow the manufacturer's instructions.

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Restraining an Infant Who Weighs Less Than 20 Pounds (9 kg)

An infant up to about 20 pounds (9 kg) must be restrained in an infant seat or a convertible seat designed for a baby. Because infants must ride in a reclining position, be sure the infant seat always faces the REAR of the car as shown.



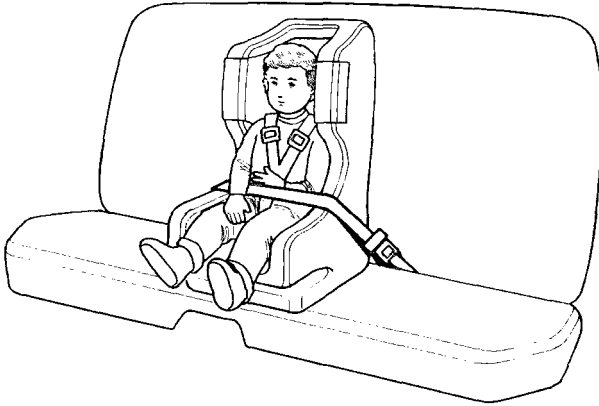
We recommend that, whenever possible, you put the infant seat in the center position of the rear seat and secure it to the car with the lap belt.

If you decide to put an infant seat in a seating position that has a lap /shoulder belt, you must use a locking clip to keep the seat from tipping or slipping (see page [35](#)).

Because the front lap belt cannot be manually tightened, we strongly recommend that you do not put an infant seat in the front seat of U.S. cars. A child seat can slip or tip under normal driving conditions.

Restraining a Child Who Weighs Between 20 and 40 Pounds (9 — 18 kg)

Toddler seats are designed for children who weigh between 20 and 40 pounds (9 — 18 kg). The preferred place to put a toddler seat is the center position of the rear seat. Use the car's lap belt to secure the seat to the car.



If you decide to put a toddler seat in a seating position that has a lap /shoulder belt, you must use a locking clip to keep the seat from tipping or slipping (see page 35).

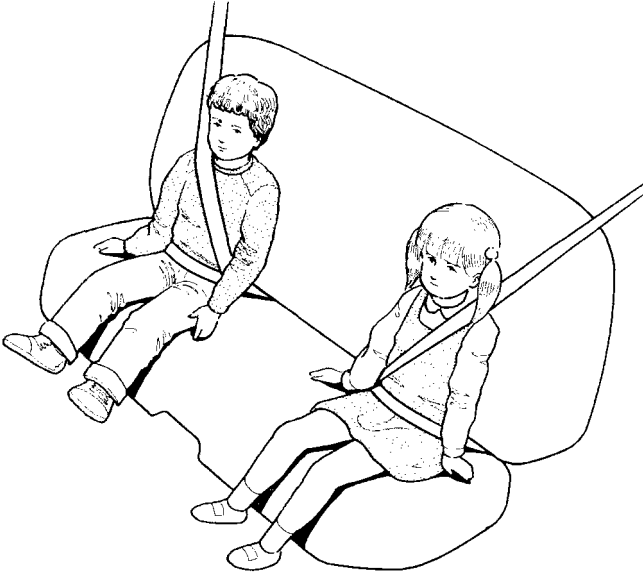
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Restraining a Child Who Weighs Over 40 Pounds (18 kg)

We recommend that, whenever possible, a child who has outgrown a toddler seat ride in one of the outside positions of the rear seat and use a lap/shoulder belt.



Put the lap/shoulder belt on your child and check its fit. The shoulder belt should fit over the collarbone and across the chest. The lap belt should sit low on your child's hips, not across the stomach.

If the shoulder belt crosses the neck, have your child move toward the center of the rear seat until the belt fits properly. If the belt still crosses the child's neck, you should use a booster seat.

Several styles of booster seats are available. We recommend a design that allows the child to use the car's lap/shoulder belt.

Whatever style is used, follow the booster seat manufacturer's instructions.

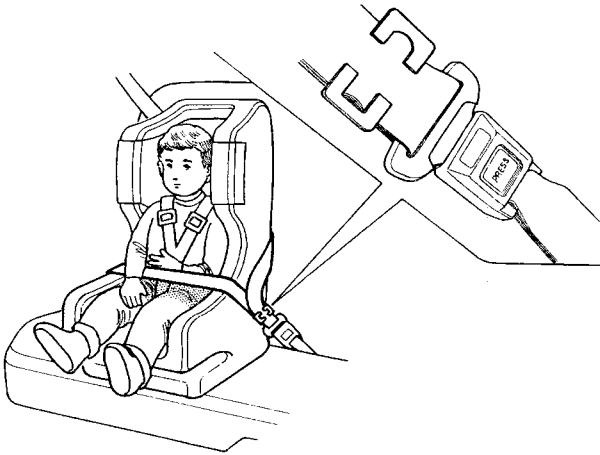
Using a Seat Belt Locking Clip

Always use a seat belt locking clip when you secure a child seat to your car with a lap/shoulder seat belt. This helps prevent a child seat from shifting position or overturning.

A locking clip is usually included with the child seat. If you need a clip, contact the seat's manufacturer or a store that sells child restraints.

To install a locking clip, do the following:

1. Place the child restraint in the desired position. Route the lap/shoulder belt through the restraint according to the seat manufacturer's instructions.
2. Insert the latch plate into the buckle. Pull on the shoulder part of the belt to make sure there is no slack in the lap portion.



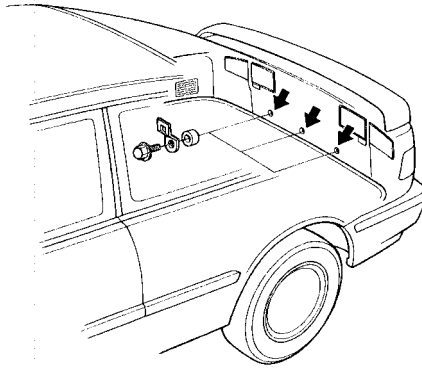
3. Tightly grasp the belt near the latch plate. Pinch both parts of the belt together so they won't slip through the latch plate. Unbuckle the seat belt.
4. Install the locking clip as shown. Position the clip as close as possible to the latch plate.
5. Insert the latch plate into the buckle. Push and pull on the child seat to verify that it is held firmly in place. If it is not, repeat these steps until the restraint is secure.

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Using Child Restraints With Tethers

Your Acura has three attachment points for tether-style child seats. Remove the cover from the desired attachment point shown in the illustration, then install the tether hardware that came with the child seat. Tighten the bolt to:
22 N·m (2.2 kg-m, 16 lb-ft)



If you are not sure how to install the bracket, have it installed by your Acura dealer.

If you need an anchor plate and mounting hardware, you can obtain them by writing to:

American Honda Motor Co., Inc.
Consumer Affairs
1919 Torrance Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90501-2746

Canadian Cars

The anchor plate and mounting hardware for a top tether are supplied with the car. When installing, make sure the toothed washer is on the bottom of the bolt.

The supplied anchor plate is designed only for mounting a child restraint. Do not use it for any other purpose.

Storing a Child Seat

When you are not using an infant seat or other child restraint, either remove it or make sure it is properly secured so it cannot be thrown around the car during a crash.