

Instruction Manual CONVERTIBLE CAR SEAT



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IMPORTANT: KEEP THIS BOOKLET IN THE PLACE PROVIDED ON THE CHILD RESTRAINT

Before You Start

Thank you for purchasing this child seat. This product is suitable for toddlers and older children. We welcome you as a valued customer, and trust that your child will enjoy many years of comfort and safety.

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Read and follow all of the installation instructions for maximum protection. If you have any questions regarding the installation or use of this restraint, please contact IGC Dorel or agent, or a child restraint fitting station authorised by the relevant transport authority, or in New Zealand, to consult the agent for the vehicle.

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To be used only in a rearward-facing position for an infant until their shoulders reach the lower shoulder height marker (approximately 6 months of age). Then to be used in forwardfacing position until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker (approximately 4 years of age).

Continue to use this child restraint until the child reaches this limit. Do not use forward-facing until child's shoulders are above the lower shoulder height marker.

Infants are at risk of serious injury if they face forward too early.

Children are at risk of serious injury if they move to booster seats too early. Children that have outgrown this restraint are safest in a booster seat until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker of the booster seat.

TO BE USED WITH A LAP-SASH/LAP ONLY SEAT BELT IN THE BACK OF MOST CARS WITH FORWARD-FACING SEATS. Do not use this restraint on any vehicle seat which faces sideways or rearward.

CHECK THAT THIS CHILD RESTRAINT WILL FIT IN YOUR CAR. NOTE: CHECK THE MEASUREMENTS BETWEEN THE SEAT BACK OF THE REAR SEAT AND ALL FRONT SEATS IN THE VEHICLE IN WHICH THE CHILD RESTRAINT IS INTENDED TO BE USED, TO ENSURE THAT THE SPACE IS SUFFICIENT.

THIS RESTRAINT MUST BE ATTACHED TO A CHILD RESTRAINT ANCHORAGE POINT IN THE CAR. REFER TO CAR OWNER'S HANDBOOK FOR LOCATION OF ANCHORAGE POINTS. REFER TO A CHILD RESTRAINT FITTING STATION IF NO ANCHORAGE POINTS ARE IN THE MOTOR CAR.

THIS RESTRAINT IS NOT SUITABLE FOR USE WHERE THE ANCHORAGE STRAP MAY FALL INTO A SPLIT IN THE SEAT BACK (E.G. HATCHBACK OR WAGON).

NOTE: An extension strap may be needed to fit this child restraint into the vehicle. Extension straps 300mm ref no. 921 and 600mm ref no. 922 and an anchor bolt kit, ref no. 525 are available from various stores.







• To ensure that your child gets all the protection designed into this restraint you MUST read and:-

Use the restraint exactly as shown in the instructions.

Fit the restraint firmly to the car seat.

Fit the harness firmly to the child.

A loose restraint or harness is dangerous.

Do not alter or modify this restraint.

DO NOT USE A REAR FACING CHILD RESTRAINT WHERE AN AIRBAG IS FITTED IN FRONT OF THE SEATING POSITION.

- DO NOT USE THIS SAFETY SEAT WITHOUT ITS COVER
- Supervision of children is needed because they may be able to undo buckles.
- DO NOT LEAVE CHILDREN UNATTENDED IN THE CAR.
- Failure to follow these instructions may result in your child striking the vehicle's interior during a sudden stop or crash.
- To ensure baby's back is evenly supported, do not put more than one nappy on the baby and make sure the nappy is not thickly folded at the back.
- Repairs must only be done by the manufacturer or agent.
- Destroy the restraint if it has been in a severe crash, even if no damage is visible.
- Do not allow the restraint to come into contact with polishes, oils, bleach and other chemicals
- · Clean with mild soap and water.
- Do not allow sharp or heavy objects to be loose in the vehicle.
- Anything loose can be deadly in a crash.
- Premature infants may have difficulty breathing when in a sitting position.
- Consult your doctor before using this or any restraint with a premature infant.
- Child restraints and their components can become very hot in sunlight.
- Always check the restraint for heat before putting a child in the seat.
- Make certain children are shaded from direct sunlight while in a well ventilated vehicle.
- Do not allow a child to have anything like a bottle, lollipop or ice-cream on a stick. A bump or swerve could cause these objects to injure your child.
- Straps may be damaged by unsecured cargo in a collision. Secure or remove hazardous cargo before using this strap. <u>Hatch-back or wagon</u>: Do not use the child restraint where this strap may fall into a split in the seat back.
- Always attach hook and remove slack.

Please contact IGC Dorel Customer Service with any questions or concerns.



Fig 2.

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ANCHORAGE FITTING INSTALLATION

Read and follow all of the installation instructions for maximum protection. If you have any questions regarding the installation or use of this restraint, please contact IGC Dorel or a child restraint fitting station authorised by the relevant State Government body or in New Zealand, to consult the agent for the vehicle.

WARNING!

This restraint must be used with an adult lap or lap-sash seat belt. Do not modify or alter this restraint in any way. Use only IGC Dorel recommended parts and accessories.

Protect all webbing from possible damage by sharp edges and corners.

Check your vehicle owner's handbook for the location of correct anchorage points and the possible need for spacers. If a suitable anchorage point cannot be found, contact a child restraint fitting station for recommendations about your vehicle.

Some vehicles may have anchor points which are recessed below the vehicle trim, spacers are supplied to raise the anchor point if required.

Extension straps and extra fittings are available from various stores.

INSTALLING LOCKING CLIP (OPTIONAL)

Using the seat belt locking clip to convert a lap-sash belt to a lap only belt

- 1. Using a locking clip (Fig A) to convert a lap-sash belt to a lap only belt.
- 2. Hold the lap and sash straps (Fig B) together. Thread webbing (still pinched) into the locking clip, one side at a time (Fig C & D)
- 3. Repeat step 2 for the other slot in the locking cip. (Fig E & F)
- 4. Feed the straps through the locking clip to remove any slack.
- 5. If the locking clip is on correctly, it will hold the lap belt securely, if the lap belt slips repeat the previous steps.
- 6. Locking clips are available from most speciality outlets or from IGC Dorel Customer Service (1300 809 526)



Fig 56.

IMPORTANT

Child restraints must be used correctly to provide proper protection for your child. The new type of clip anchorage system on child restraints must be used in the correct way. Be especially careful to use the clip in the following way.

RIGHT

Make sure there is no slack in the top strap and the attachment clip is upright in the anchorage fitting.

WRONG

The clip must not lie flat on the anchorage fitting.



If the car is fitted with a child restraint anchorage point.

Locate the anchorage point behind the rear seating position (consult the car owner's handbook for the location of the anchorage point).

Remove the thread plug from the parcel shelf / floor / roof and install the attachment bolt as shown in Fig 7.



If the car is not fitted with a child restraint anchorage point.

For sedans only - Drill a 9mm diameter hole in the parcel shelf on the centre - line of the seating position as shown in Fig 8 Install the anchor bolt as shown in Fig 9.

For vehicles other than sedans - In Australia, please consult your nearest child restraint fitting station or traffic authority for vehicle inspection. Advice is available regarding placement of anchorage points, correct attachment bolt length and the use of spacers. In New Zealand, consult the agent for the vehicle.

WARNING: CHILD RESTRAINTS MUST NOT BE ATTACHED TO UNSOUND METAL OR TO WOOD, OR SYNTHETIC STRUCTURES. WHEN DRILLING THE 9MM HOLE DO NOT DRILL THROUGH FUEL LINES, FUEL TANKS, ELECTRICAL WIRING, OR RADIO SPEAKERS.

WEBBING STRAPS MUST BE PROTECTED FROM SHARP CORNERS AND EDGES.



THE ANCHOR FITTING MUST BE USED ONLY AS DIRECTED ABOVE. IT MUST NOT BE HOOKED ONTO ANY OTHER OBJECT.

PREPARING INFANT SEAT TO FIT YOUR CHILD

You MUST make these adjustments with your child before you install the child restraint in the vehicle. Please adjust harness according to the infants shoulder height prior to installation.



TO ADJUST HARNESS:

To loosen:

- 1 Lift the harness release lever at the front of seat.
- 2 Pull both shoulder straps simultaneously.
- **3** Press red button to release buckle assembly for ease of child fitment. Place child in seat.

To tighten:

• **O** Fasten buckle assembly (See detail below). Pull the adjuster belt at the front of the seat until the harness belt lies firmly against the child.

TO FASTEN BUCKLE ASSEMBLY



Step 1 : Insert one buckle tongue as shown above.

Step 2 : Insert the second buckle tongue as illustrated above. Listen for a 'CLICK'.

Step 3 : Remember to always pull up on the harness straps to make sure buckle is locked tightly.



Failure to fasten and tighten the harness system correctly can result in serious injury or death.

PREPARING INFANT SEAT TO FIT YOUR CHILD



CONFIGURING THE HARNESS BELT FOR SHOULDER HEIGHT.

Press red button to release the buckle assembly. Pull harness straps over sides of infant seat.



To change the shoulder strap position, undo the straps from the steel splitter plate on the back of the child restraint. Re-thread them through the proper slots. Reconnect the straps to the splitter plate.

DO NOT USE SHOULDER STRAPS OF UNEQUAL HEIGHTS.

Ensure the harness is attached to the splitter plate. Ensure the harness is pulled through the mould & trim all the way and correctly tensioned. Ensure harness straps and adjuster strap is not twisted.





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ADJUSTING HEADREST POSITION

NOTE: ADJUST HEADREST AND CHECK POSITIONING OF STRAPS PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.



TO LOOSEN: Rotate the knobs in Anti-Clockwise direction, 2 complete turns.



LOWER POSITION: Once the knobs are loosen push headrest downward to suit your child. Tighten the knobs.



TO TIGHTEN: Rotate the knobs in Clockwise direction



UPPER POSITION: Once the knobs are loosen pull headrest upward to suit your child. Tighten the knobs.

NOTE: ENSURE THAT THE HEARDEST IS LOCKED PROPERLY BY PULLING IT BEFORE PLACING YOUR CHILD IN THE RESTRAINT.

CORRECT REARWARD FACING VEHICLE POSITION



SHOULDER MARKER HEIGHT REARWARD FACING



Infants are at risk of serious injury if they face forward too early.

NOTE: If the baby's neck muscles are unable to support their head, then the child should remain rear facing.

CHECK POSITIONING OF STRAPS PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.

NOTE: DO NOT USE SHOULDER STRAPS OF UNEQUAL HEIGHT. STRAPS SHOULD BE THREADED THROUGH ADJACENT SLOTS IN BOTH THE SHELL, TRIM AND INSERT.

REARWARD FACING INSTALLATION

- 1. Swing stabilising arm into position (Fig 24). Fold up rear recline arm and set child restraint on vehicle seat facing rearwards.
- 2. Thread the vehicle seat belt through the side of the child restraint, underneath the seat as shown and fasten buckle (Fig 25).
- 3. Press the child restraint into the vehicle seat cushion and tighten the vehicle belt securely (Fig 26).
- 4. Fit the hook attachment clip of the anchorage strap to the anchorage fitting correctly. REFER TO PAGE 7.





Place baby into the seat, fasten child buckle and adjust the shoulder straps securely (Fig26), ensuring the shoulder straps are connected to the splitter plate - Refer to page 10.

NOTE: Ensure the harness is pulled through the mould & trim all the way and correctly tensioned

REARWARD FACING INSTALLATION





Fig 28

Thread the anchorage strap through the brackets on the side of the child restraint (Fig 27 & 28) and fit attachment clip to anchorage fitting.



Fig 29

Adjust anchorage strap and remove slack. Pull loose end of strap to tighten. Press on the adjuster button with thumb and

pull strap back through to loosen anchorage strap using strap which is attached to the seat.

CORRECT FORWARD FACING VEHICLE POSITION



SHOULDER MARKER HEIGHT FORWARD FACING



FORWARD FACING (6 months to 4years)

The shoulder straps must be in the slots which are nearest to the child's shoulders, but not more than 25 mm below the child's shoulders



Do not use forward-facing until child's shoulders are above the lower shoulder height marker.

Infants are at risk of serious injury if they face forward too early.

Children are at risk of serious injury if they move to booster seats too early.

Children that have outgrown this restraint are safest in a booster seat until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker of the booster seat.

NOTE: The child should not sit forward facing until the baby's neck muscles are able to support their head.

CHECK POSITIONING OF STRAPS AND ADJUST HEADREST PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.

NOTE: DO NOT USE SHOULDER STRAPS OF UNEQUAL HEIGHT. STRAPS SHOULD BE THREADED THROUGH ADJACENT SLOTS IN BOTH THE SHELL, TRIM AND INSERT.

FORWARD FACING INSTALLATION

TODDLER 6MONTHS TO 4YEARS OLD.



Fitment in some vehicles can be impacted due to the location of anchorage points, or the shape of rear seats, in these applications use the "Alternate Belt Path" see illustration below.

NOTE: If the car seatbelt is not long enough to secure the child restraint DO NOT USE SEAT BELT EXTENDERS.



Fig 37.

Fig 38.

Adjust the child restraint to the upright position. If the restraint has been used in the rearward facing position, then it is recommended that the restraint is used in the reclined position first.



Fig 39.

NOTE: Infant Insert (where supplied) shall not be used in forward facing position. Only used in seat on bottom two slots when rear facing.

ADJUST HEADREST AND SHOULDER STRAPS PRIOR TO INSTALLATION. REFER TO PAGE 10 and 11.

FORWARD FACING INSTALLATION



You MUST adjusts your child restraint before you install in the vehicle. Please adjust harness according to the child shoulder height prior to installation.

Adjust the shoulder straps and headrest to fit your child. Refer to page 10 & 11.

Thread the adult lap-sash seat belt through the frame of the child restraint as shown in Fig 41, Press the child restraint into the auto seat cushion and tighten the auto belts securely.





Adjust anchorage strap and remove slack. Pull loose end of strap to tighten.

Press on the adjuster button with thumb and pull strap back through to loosen anchorage strap using strap which is attached to the seat.

Place your child in the seat, fasten the harness and adjust the shoulder straps securely, ensuring the shoulder straps are connected to the splitter plate via the lower loops - Refer to page 10



THE NEXT SEAT FOR YOUR CHILD



of age). Then to be used in forward-facing position until the shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker (approximately 4 years of age).

THE NEXT SEAT (Booster seat)

Children that have outgrown this restraint are safest in a booster seat until their shoulders reach the upper shoulder height marker of the booster seat.

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CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BUCKLE

Follow the manufacturer's instructions at all times. Before removal, ensure you have carefully noted the way which the various parts are attached to the seat so as to facilitate reassembly.

Your child car seat is equipped with a buckle designed to give your child maximum protection during proper use. When working properly, your buckle should always fasten with an audible "click".

If sticky liquids such as baby food, fruit juice, etc, get into the buckle it may become sluggish and you will not hear a "click".



The buckle should be cleaned by following the steps below.

- 1. Fold seat cover and foam back from buckle, using a flat edged screwdriver gently lift one end of rod out releasing crotch buckle.(repeat for other side)
- 2. As illustrated in Fig 48 place the buckle unit under running water (40 degrees celcius) Let the water flow through the mouth of the buckle for one minute
- 3. Simultaneously latch and unlatch the tongues into the buckle several times until a strong audible click is heard. Refer to Fig 49.
- 4. If you still cannot hear a strong audible click after latching the buckle several times. repeat steps 1 and 2.
- 5. DO NOT oil any part of the buckle.
- 6. Allow buckle to dry.
- 7. Refit crotch buckle ensuring RED button is facing out.
- 8. Thread the webbings as shown with arrows in Fig 50.
- 9. Put the 2 metal rods back into the webbing loops and push into the slots.
- 10. Pull the buckle to make sure that it is fitted properly.
- If the buckle does not return to original working order, contact IGC Dorel Customer Service on 1300 809 526

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- Seat trim may be removed for cleaning. Don't forget to remove the instruction manual.
- Machine wash in cold water, delicate cycle.
- Tumble dry 10-15 minutes on low heat.
- Do not dry clean.
- All other surfaces should be cleaned with a mild soap and water.
- Never clean with ammonia, bleach based or spirit-type cleaners.
- Do not use the restraint without the cover.
- Check the webbing for fraying.

REMOVE TRIM FOR CLEANING:

To Remove headrest trim

- 1. Move headrest to highest position. Refer to page 11.
- 2. Remove the 2 elastic straps on the back of the headrest Refer to Fig 51.
- 3. Peel the trim off the headrest. Refer to Fig 52.

To Replace headrest trim

- 1. Move headrest to highest position. Refer to page 11.
- 2. Replace the headrest trim.
- 3. Clip the 2 elastic straps to the plastic tabs at the rear of headrest.

To Remove seat trim

- 1. Undo shoulder straps from the splitter plate.
- 2. Pull straps through the cover.
- 3. Remove the 4 plastic clamps on the front and rear of seat.
- 4. Remove the seat trim from the seat.

To Replace seat trim

- 1. Put the seat trim on the seat.
- 2. Feed the shoulder straps through the cover.
- 3. Attach the plastic clamps.
- 3. Attach the shoulder straps to the splitter plate. Fig 53

NOTE: ENSURE HARNESS IS NOT TWISTED

Take extra care to be sure the harness is reinstalled correctly and the shoulder straps are of equal height through both the trim and the harness slots of the seat.







CARE INSTRUCTIONS

VERY IMPORTANT: Only use this child restraint with the cover supplied or a manufacturer-authorized replacement cover with identical shoulder height markers.

HOOD FITMENT (If supplied)

Hood - To fit the hood, line up velcro with the one in the small pocket. Press firmly. Refer to Fig 54. Repeat on the next side.

Match up velcro on the back of the hood with velcro on seat trim, press the 2 pieces of velcro together firmly. Refer to Fig 55.







GUARANTEE

IGC Dorel Pty Ltd warrants your new product to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for 6 years on the seat & 2 years on the trim, from the date of purchase, provided that the product is used in accordance with accompanying recommendations or instructions where provided. The benefit of this warranty is in addition to your rights under the Australian Consumer Law and to other rights and remedies of the consumer under a law in relation to the goods or services to which the warranty relates.

IGC Dorel Pty Ltd will provide you with your choice of a refund, repair or exchange (where possible) for this product if it becomes defective within the warranty period. IGC Dorel Pty Ltd will bear the reasonable expense of claiming the warranty. This warranty will no longer apply where the defect is a result of alteration, accident, misuse, abuse or neglect.

Please retain your receipt as proof of purchase and contact our Customer Service Centre on Ph: 1300 809 526 or alternatively, via our website at www.igcdorel.com.au for any difficulties with your product. Warranty claims and claims for expense incurred in returning this product can be addressed to our Customer Service Centre at 655-685 Somerville Road, West Sunshine VIC 3020. Hours: 8.30 am to 4.30 pm, Monday to Friday.

For New Zealand please contact Customer Service Centre,

14 Sir William Avenue, East Tamaki, Auckland, 2013. Auckland: (09) 274 1040 NZ wide: 0800 628 000 (Toll Free). Hours: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday to Friday.

Our goods come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable

loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure.

IMPORTANT: KEEP THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL IN THE POCKET PROVIDED AT THE REAR OF THE SEAT.

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