



# Companion™

## User Guide



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# WARNING

DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY can occur:

- Use only in a rear facing position when using this restraint in the vehicle. This infant restraint cannot be used forward facing in a vehicle.
- Use only with children who weigh between 4 and 22 pounds (2 and 10 kg) and whose height is 30 inches (76 cm) or less.
- Snugly adjust the belts provided with this restraint around your child. A snug strap should not allow any slack. It lies in a relatively straight line without sagging. It does not press on the child's flesh or push the child's body into an unnatural position.
- An optional Low Birth Weight Foam insert may be used to help obtain a snug fit for infants whose weight is less than 7 pounds (3 kg.). To order optional foam, call Britax at 1-888-4BRITAX.
- Secure this child restraint with the vehicle's child restraint anchorage system if available or with a vehicle belt.
- Follow all instructions labeled on the child restraint and in these written instructions.
- According to accident statistics, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommends that parents select the rear seat as the safest location for a properly installed child restraint. Please study the sections on *Vehicle Safety Belts* and *Vehicle Seating Positions* in this booklet to ensure the child's safety. If in doubt about installing the child restraint, consult the vehicle owner's manual.
- Secure this child restraint even when it is not occupied. In a crash, an unsecured child restraint may injure vehicle occupants.
- Consult your child's doctor before using this child restraint. Some infants must be secured with a device that allows them to lie flat.
- When using in vehicle with air bags, always refer to the vehicle owner's manual for child restraint installation instructions and precautions.
- Never use the adjuster strap to lift or carry this child restraint. Doing so could cause damage to the harness adjuster and webbing. Always carry a child restraint by the handle or shell.
- The primary protection for occupants of a vehicle in a collision is the structure of the vehicle; a child restraint will not protect an infant when the vehicle is seriously impacted. However, correctly installed, a child restraint will substantially improve the chances for survival in most crashes. Make sure that all users fully understand the correct ways to use this child restraint in a vehicle.
- This child restraint must not be used in boats, or other non-certified applications.
- NEVER leave child unattended.
- NEVER place carrier on beds, sofas, or other soft surfaces. Infant carrier can roll over on soft surfaces and suffocate the child.
- NEVER use in or on strollers unless approved by Britax.
- NEVER install forward facing in a vehicle.
- NEVER place carrier near edges of counter tops, tables, or other elevated surfaces. Child's movement can slide carrier.
- NEVER leave child carrier when straps are loose or undone. Child can strangle in loose restraint straps.
- Carrier in shopping carts can be dangerous.
- Watch your child closely when restraint is not installed in a vehicle to avoid tipping over and strangulation.
- Harness must be used at all times when child is in carrier.

### IMPORTANT NOTES

- Verify that the child restraint is secure and that the harness is properly adjusted around the child each time the child restraint is used.
- Adjust the harness to fit the clothes the child is wearing. The fit for a child in winter clothes will differ from a child in summer clothes.
- Cover the restraint when the vehicle is parked in direct sunlight. Parts of the child restraint could become hot enough to burn the child.
- Store the child restraint in a safe place when it is not being used for an extended period of time. Do not place heavy objects on top of it.
- Stop use of a child restraint that is older than six years or has been in a severe crash to prevent injury due to deterioration or hidden damage.
- Do not leave children alone in a vehicle, even for a short time.
- Do not, except as described in this booklet, attempt to disassemble any part of the child restraint or change the way its harness or the vehicle belts are used.
- Do not leave loose objects, e.g. books, bags, etc., in the back of a vehicle. In the event of a sudden stop, loose objects will keep moving, potentially causing serious injuries.
- Do not leave folding vehicle seats unlatched. In the event of a sudden stop, a loose seat back could prevent the child restraint from protecting the child as well as it should.
- Do not allow children to play with the child restraint.
- Do not hang accessories or toys from handle. Doing so could create a hazard for the child.

This child restraint system conforms to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. **This restraint is certified for use in motor vehicles and aircraft.**

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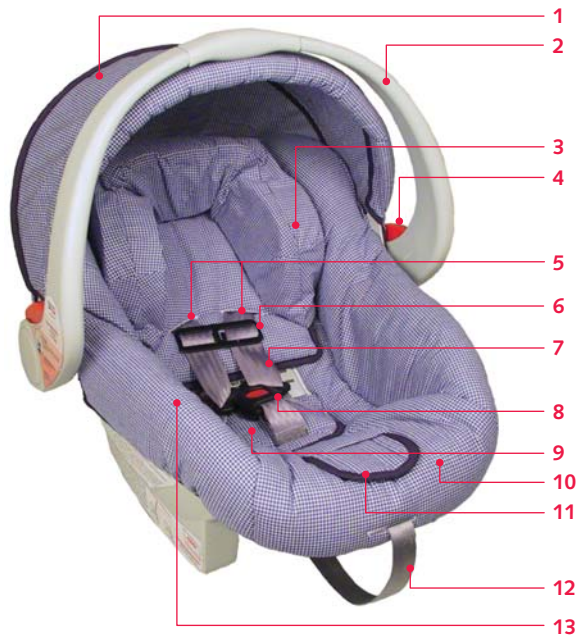
Child restraints could be recalled for safety reasons. You must register this restraint to be reached in a recall. Send your name, address, and the restraint's model number and manufacturing date to Britax Child Safety, Inc. 13501 South Ridge Drive Charlotte, NC 28273 or call 1-888-4BRITAX. For recall information, call the U.S. Government's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-800-424-9393 (202-366-0123 in DC area).

You may also register by visiting [BritaxUSA.com](http://BritaxUSA.com).



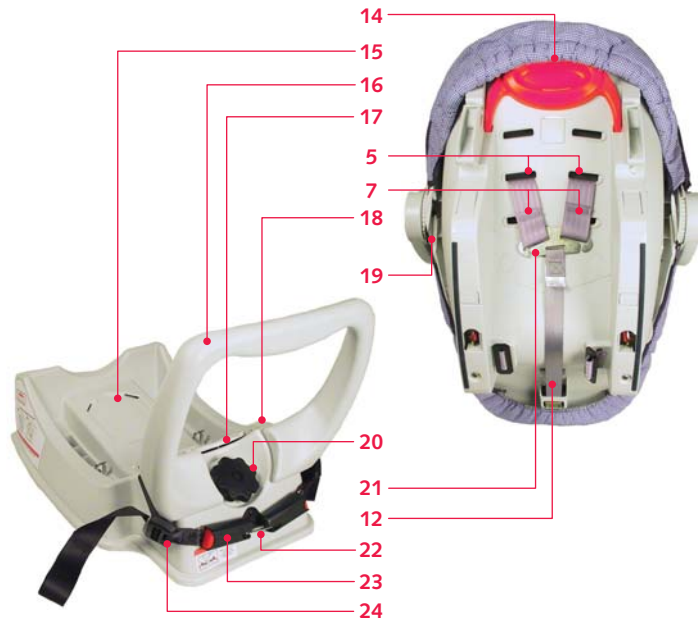
**WARNING! DO NOT** place a child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag unless the air bag is turned off. **DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY** can occur. The back seat is the safest place for children under 12.

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## Features



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## Using the Restraint

### LATCH Storage

#### Removal:

Press button on LATCH connector to release from storage ring.

#### Attachment:

Attach each LATCH connector to storage ring on front of base, then remove slack (Fig. A).



### Adjustable Canopy

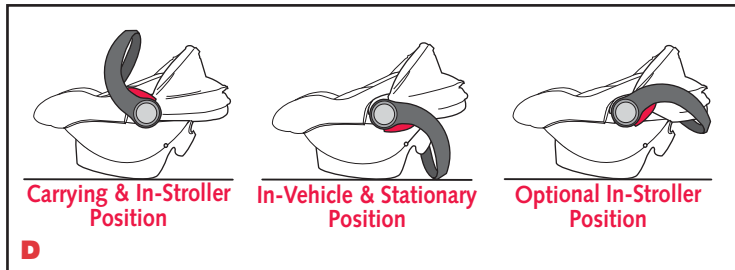
To raise, pull canopy at top of canopy arch toward foot of restraint. To collapse, push canopy at top of canopy arch (Fig. B).



## Using the Restraint

### Adjustable Handle

To adjust, press both handle release buttons (Fig. C) while rotating handle into position. Adjust the handle to one of the following three positions: Carrying & In-Stroller Position, In-Vehicle & Stationary Position, or Optional In-Stroller Position (Fig D).



### Harness Buckle

#### To Unfasten Buckle (Fig A):

- Brace the rear of the buckle with hand.
- Use thumb to press release button until tongues are ejected from buckle.

#### To Fasten Buckle (Fig B):

- Hold the buckle with one hand.
- Use the other hand to insert one tongue at a time into the buckle. Proper connection is confirmed with a positive click after inserting the second buckle tongue.

**IMPORTANT:** Periodically clean the buckle to ensure proper operation. See section, *Cleaning the Buckle*, on page 33.

### Adjusting Buckle Position

If your child has outgrown the initial buckle position, adjust the buckle position as instructed below.

#### Remove Buckle

- 1 With restraint removed from the base, pull cover and foam back so the buckle slots are visible.
- 2 Locate metal retainer attached to the opposite end of the buckle strap from the buckle on the top side of the restraint.



- 3 Pull retainer up to loosen (Fig C).
- 4 Turn the retainer so that the short side will go down through the slot in the restraint shell to the bottom side of the restraint (Fig. D).
- 5 From the bottom of the restraint, turn the retainer so the short side will go up through the slot in the restraint shell to the top side of the restraint.

#### Replace Buckle

- 6 Turn the retainer so that the short side will go down through the desired slot to the bottom side of the restraint (Fig. E).
- 7 Turn retainer so that the short side will go up through the other slot to the top side of the restraint (Fig F).
- 8 Replace cover.
- 9 Pull buckle away from restraint until tight, then verify that the strap is not twisted and the release button is facing outward.



### Adjusting Width of Head Pad

If your head pad features optional width adjustment, use the following steps to adjust the head pad.

#### To decrease width:

Squeeze top center of head pad to inflate sides to desired width (Fig A).

#### To increase width:

Press release valve, indicated with label on head pad, to deflate head pad to desired width.

### Chest Clip

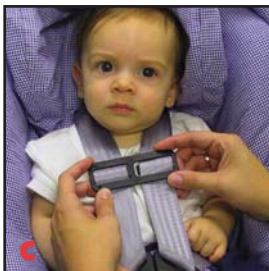
#### Securing the Chest Clip

Secure the chest clip by sliding the harness into the slot on the right side of the chest clip (Fig B).

**IMPORTANT:** The correct height for the chest clip is at the center of the chest, level with the armpits (Fig. C).

#### Releasing the Chest Clip

Release the chest clip by sliding the harness out of the slot on the right side of the chest clip.



### Recline Adjustment

To adjust recline, turn knob on front of base until desired angle is achieved (Fig. D).

- When correctly reclined, the red line on base will be level with the ground.
- If there is a problem stabilizing the base, place a rolled towel in the crease of the vehicle seat to help level the base.

**WARNING:** Only raise base as described above. Do not raise the base off of the front edge of vehicle seat; doing so will reduce the protection for your child.

### Attaching Restraint to Base

To install, align restraint rear facing with slots in base, then push down until it clicks into base (Fig. E).

- Pull up from child restraint handle to be sure it is properly secured.

**WARNING:** Never attach restraint to base unless the base is secured in a vehicle as described on pages 20-25.

### Removing Restraint from Base

To remove child restraint from base, squeeze release handle on the rear of the restraint, while lifting restraint by handle (Fig. F).

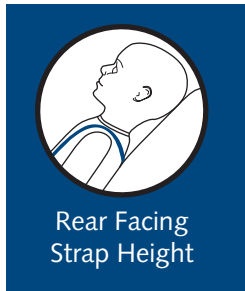




### Checking Harness Height

#### To Check Harness Height:

- 1 Place child in restraint, then secure harness (see pages 24–25).
- 2 Observe where the harness is positioned on the child.
  - *Harness straps should be located in the nearest slot at or below the child's shoulder*
- 3 If harness height is correct, continue using child restraint without adjustment. If harness height requires adjustment, refer to *Harness Height Adjustment* on page 15.

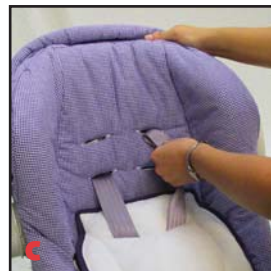


**Weight Range**  
Rear Facing ONLY  
4–22 lbs. (2–10 kg)

**Maximum Height**  
The child is too tall when the top of the head is above the top of the restraint or height exceeds 30 inches (76 cm).

### Harness Height Adjustment

- 1 Loosen the harness by pressing the harness adjuster lever while pulling the harness straps forward as far as possible (Fig. A).
- 2 From the rear of the restraint, unhook the harness straps from the yoke (Fig. B).
- 3 Pull straps through the shell, cover, and head pad.
- 4 Thread straps through proper slots in head pad.
  - *Use bottom slots in head pad when using with bottom slots in shell. Use top slots in head pad when using with middle or top slots in shell.*
- 5 Thread the harness straps through slots in shell, at the new height, toward the bottom of the restraint (Fig. C).
- 6 Reattach harness straps to the yoke (Fig. B).
- 7 Pull harness adjuster strap to tighten the harness.
- 8 Verify that all straps are threaded at the same height and are not twisted.



## Using the Restraint

### Securing Child in Restraint

- 1 Loosen the harness by pressing the harness adjuster lever while pulling the harness straps forward (Fig. A).
- 2 Slide the harness strap out of one side of chest clip to release (Fig. B).
- 3 Unfasten the buckle by pressing down on the release button (Fig C).
- 4 Move the harness straps to the sides of the restraint.
- 5 Place child in the restraint.
- 6 Position the harness straps around the child and fasten the child restraint buckle (Fig D) and secure chest clip (Fig E).
  - Proper connection of the buckle is confirmed with a positive click after inserting the second buckle tongue.
- 7 Gently pull up on the harness straps to tighten the lap section of the harness, which should fit low on the child's body.



## Using the Restraint

- 8 Slowly pull the adjuster strap to tighten the harness around the child (Fig. F).
  - Snugly adjust the belts provided with this child restraint around your child. A snug strap should not allow any slack. It lies in a relatively straight line without sagging. It does not press on the child's flesh or push the child's body into an unnatural position.
- 9 Position the chest clip at the center of the child's chest, level with the child's armpits.
- 10 Verify that harness is not twisted and child is properly secured.
- 11 Make sure that harness height is correct. Refer to *Checking Harness Height* on page 14 for instructions.

### IMPORTANT:

- Always pull on the harness after securing the child to make sure the buckle and harness are locked. If not, the buckle or adjuster area may be clogged with food, drink, or objects that need to be removed. See pages 31 and 33 for cleaning instructions.
- Always make sure that the harness is tight before each use, or after any adjustments.



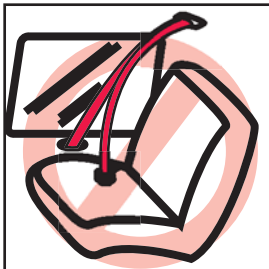
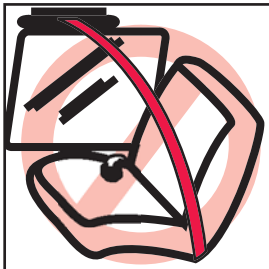
## Vehicle Safety Belts

**NOTE:** The information in this section applies only to installation with vehicle belts.

**IMPORTANT:** Some vehicles have no seating positions which are compatible with this child restraint, or any other child restraint. If in doubt, contact the vehicle manufacturer for assistance.

The following types of vehicle belts are **not** compatible with this child restraint:

- ✗ Front vehicle belts with top or bottom anchorage points in the door.
- ✗ Motor driven automatic vehicle belts.
- ✗ Three-point belts that have separate retractors for the shoulder section and the lap section.
- ✗ 2-point Emergency Locking Retractor (ELR) vehicle belts without the use of a belt shortening clip.



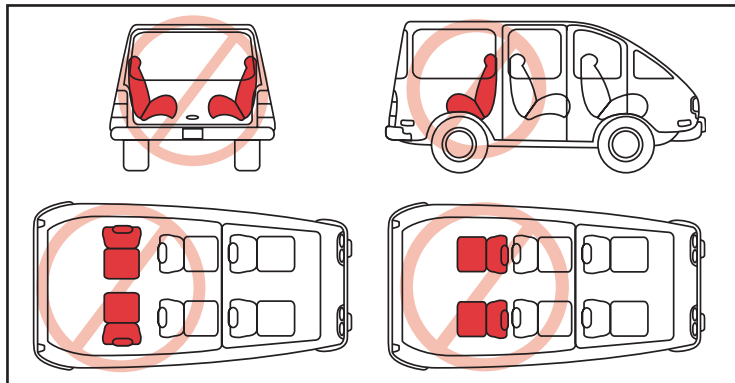
The owner's manual for your vehicle will have information on the types of vehicle belts in your vehicle. If your belt type is listed above, select another seating position or use LATCH connectors.

This child restraint can fit securely in most vehicles using the existing vehicle belts. However, some vehicle designs prevent a secure fit of the child restraint due to the position of the vehicle belt lower anchorage points.

## Vehicle Seating Positions

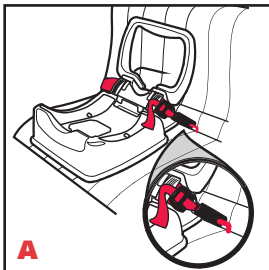
### WARNING:

- Forward facing vehicle seats **MUST** be used with this child restraint. Side facing or rear facing seats **CANNOT** be used.
- **DO NOT** place a child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag unless the air bag is turned off. **DEATH** or **SERIOUS INJURY** can occur. The back seat is the safest place for children under 12.



### LATCH Installation

- Figure A illustrates a typical rear facing LATCH installation.
  - Verify that your vehicle is equipped with LATCH anchors. If LATCH anchors are not installed, you must use vehicle belt installation methods.
- 1 Disconnect LATCH connectors from storage ring on the front of the base.
  - 2 Open lock-off by lifting both tabs, then opening lock-off plate (Fig. B).
  - 3 Press and hold the LATCH adjuster release button, then pull to lengthen LATCH harness to full length.
  - 4 Place the base sideways on the vehicle seat, with the anti-rebound bar facing you.
  - 5 Verify that the LATCH harness is not twisted, then attach the farthest connector to farthest LATCH anchor in desired seating position (Fig. C).
    - A positive click confirms attachment.
  - 6 Rotate base into rear facing position with anti-rebound bar against vehicle seat back.
  - 7 Verify that the LATCH harness is not twisted, then attach the closest connector to closest LATCH anchor in desired seating position (Fig. D).
    - A positive click confirms attachment.



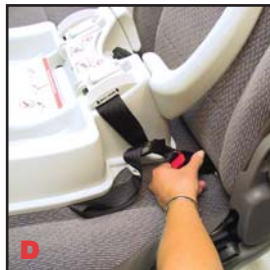
- 8 Adjust recline by turning knob on front of base until correct angle is achieved.
  - When correctly reclined, the red line on base will be level with the ground.
  - If there is a problem stabilizing the base, place a rolled towel in the crease of the vehicle seat to help level the base.

**WARNING:** Only raise base as described above. Do not raise the base off of the front edge of vehicle seat; doing so will reduce the protection for your child.

- 9 Push the base firmly into the vehicle seat while pulling each LATCH harness tight (Fig. E).
- 10 Close lock-off plate over the LATCH harness, then secure by closing both tabs while pressing firmly on the lock-off plate (Fig. F).
  - Lock-off is properly secured when tabs are flat against lock-off plate.
- 11 Verify that all connections are secure and the base is stable.

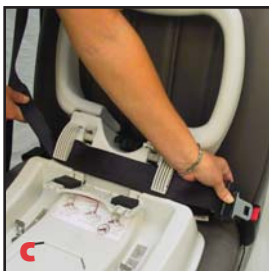
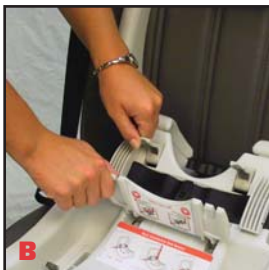
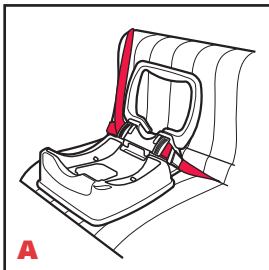
### Base Removal:

- Release each LATCH harness from the LATCH anchor by pressing the release button on the LATCH connector.
- When not in use, always store the LATCH connectors on storage ring at front of base.

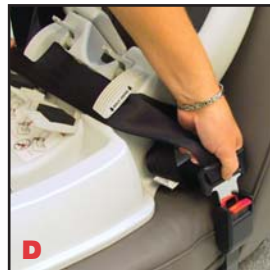


### Lap-Shoulder Belt Installation

- Figure A illustrates a typical rear facing lap-shoulder belt installation.
  - If attached, remove restraint before installing base.
  - When not in use, always store the LATCH connectors on storage ring at front of base.
- 1 Place the base in a rear facing position on the vehicle seat with the anti-rebound bar against the vehicle seat back.
  - 2 Open lock-off by lifting both tabs, then opening lock-off plate (Fig. B).
  - 3 Pull to fully extend vehicle belt.
  - 4 With shoulder and lap portion of vehicle seat belt together, route under both belt guides (Fig. C).



- 5 Verify that the vehicle belt is not twisted, then buckle (Fig. D).
- 6 Adjust recline by turning knob on front of base until correct angle is achieved.
  - When correctly reclined, the red line on base will be level with the ground.
  - If there is a problem stabilizing the base, place a rolled towel in the crease of the vehicle seat to help level the base.



**WARNING:** Only raise base as described above. Do not raise the base off of the front edge of vehicle seat; doing so will reduce the protection for your child.

- 7 Push the base firmly into the seat while removing slack from the lap portion of the vehicle belt, then the shoulder portion (Fig. E).
- 8 Close lock-off plate over the vehicle belt, then secure by closing both tabs while pressing firmly on the lock-off plate (Fig. F).
  - Lock-off is properly secured when tabs are flat against lock-off plate.
- 9 Verify that vehicle belt is tight and that the base is stable.



### Base Removal:

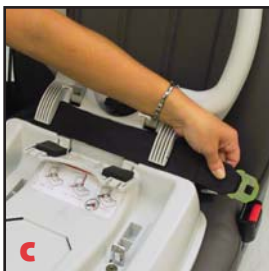
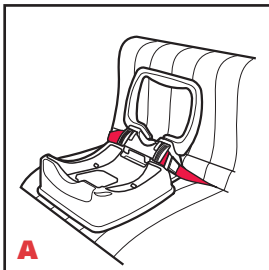
Remove restraint, then open lock-off and remove vehicle belt from belt guides.

### Lap Belt Installation

- Figure A illustrates a typical rear facing lap belt installation with the restraint attached.
- If attached, remove restraint before installing base.
- When not in use, always store the LATCH connectors on storage ring at front of base.

- 1 Place the base in a rear facing position on the vehicle seat.
- 2 Open lock-off by lifting both tabs, then opening lock-off plate (Fig. B).
- 3 Pull to fully extend vehicle belt.
- 4 Route vehicle belt under both belt guides (Fig. C).
- 5 Verify that the vehicle belt is not twisted, then buckle.
- 6 Adjust recline by turning knob on front of base until correct angle is achieved.
  - When correctly reclined, the red line on base will be level with the ground.
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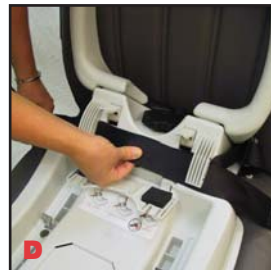
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- 7 Push the base firmly into the seat while removing slack from the vehicle belt (Fig. D).
- 8 Close lock-off plate over the vehicle belt, then secure by closing both tabs while pressing firmly on the lock-off plate.
  - Lock-off is properly secured when tabs are flat against lock-off plate.
- 9 Verify that vehicle belt is tight and that the base is stable.

### Base Removal:

Remove restraint, then open lock-off and remove vehicle belt from belt guides.

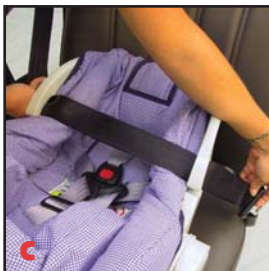
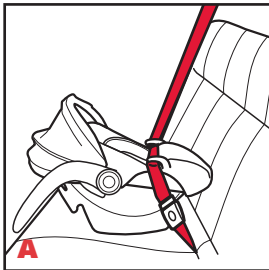


### Lap-Shoulder Belt Installation

- *Figure A illustrates a typical rear facing lap-shoulder belt installation of restraint only.*

**WARNING:** Do not install this restraint using a non-locking ELR vehicle belt, unless a locking clip is used. Refer to the vehicle owner's manual for instructions on correct use of vehicle belts with child restraints.

- 1 Place the restraint rear facing on the vehicle seat.
- 2 Push cover back to expose belt guides (Fig. B).
- 3 Pull to fully extend vehicle belt.
- 4 With shoulder and lap portion of vehicle seat belt together, route under both belt guides (Fig. C).



- 5 Verify that the vehicle belt is not twisted, then buckle (Fig. D).
  - *When correctly reclined, the red line on restraint will be level with the ground.*
  - *If there is a problem stabilizing the restraint, place a rolled towel in the crease of the vehicle seat to help level the restraint.*

**WARNING:** Only raise restraint as described above. Do not raise the restraint off of the front edge of vehicle seat; doing so will reduce the protection for your child.

- 6 Push the restraint firmly into the vehicle seat while removing slack from the lap portion of the vehicle belt, then the shoulder portion (Fig. E).
- 7 Adjust handle to In-Vehicle position.
- 8 Verify that vehicle belt is tight and that the restraint is stable.

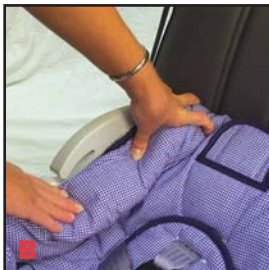
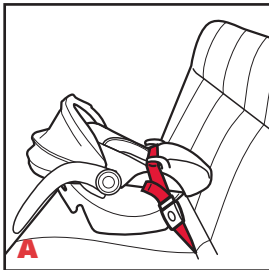


### Lap Belt Installation

- Figure A illustrates a typical rear facing lap belt installation of restraint only.

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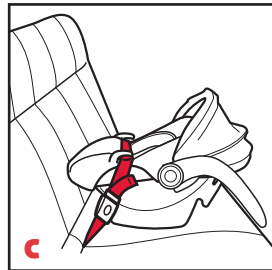
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- 4 Route vehicle belt under both belt guides.
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- WARNING:** Only raise restraint as described above. Do not raise the restraint off of the front edge of vehicle seat; doing so will reduce the protection for your child.
- 6 Push the restraint firmly into the vehicle seat while removing slack from the vehicle belt.
  - 7 Adjust handle to In-Vehicle position.
  - 8 Verify that vehicle belt is tight and that the restraint is stable.

This child restraint is certified for use in aircraft. Most airlines in the U.S. and Canada will allow the use of a child restraint, if it is labeled as an approved child restraint for airline use and fits properly on the plane. Contact the airline about their policy prior to traveling.

- Place the restraint next to a window to avoid blocking the aisle.
- If the aircraft lap belt is too short, ask the flight attendant for a Belt Extender.



### To Install in Aircraft:

- 1 Place the restraint, without base, rear facing on the aircraft seat.
- 2 Push cover back to expose belt guides.
- 3 Fully extend aircraft lap belt.
- 4 Route aircraft belt under each belt guide.
- 5 Verify that the seat belt is not twisted, then buckle.
- 6 Push the restraint firmly into the seat while removing slack from the seat belt.
- 7 Verify that vehicle belt is tight and that the restraint is stable.



## Cover & Head Pad

### Removal:

- 1 Unhook attachment clips under each handle pivot point.
- 2 Loosen the harness by pressing the adjuster lever located in the front of the restraint, while pulling the harness straps forward as far as possible.
- 3 Unhook the harness straps from the yoke on the bottom of restraint.
- 4 Unbuckle harness and remove the belly pad from the buckle.
- 5 Pull upper harness straps through the shell, cover, and head pad to the top of the restraint.
- 6 Remove head pad.
  - *If removing head pad only, end procedure here. Replace head pad by reversing steps above.*
- 7 Gently remove the upper portion of the cover. Be careful not to damage the energy absorbing foam.
- 8 Pull the lower harness straps, buckle tongues, chest clip, and buckle through the slots in the cover.
- 9 Remove cover from the restraint.

### WARNING:

- Do not take apart or attempt to take apart the harness. It is unnecessary and dangerous to do so.
- Never remove the buckle tongues from the harness. They cannot be reattached after removal.

### Refitting the Cover:

To refit the cover, reverse *Cover Removal* directions. Make sure that the harness is not twisted.

## Cleaning the Cover

- **HAND WASH**, using cold water and mild soap.
- **LINE DRY**, to prevent cover from shrinking.
- **DO NOT:** Bleach, machine wash, machine dry, or iron.

## Cleaning the Head Pad Cover

- **REMOVE CONTENTS OF HEAD PAD**, sponge clean with damp sponge and mild detergent.
- **HAND WASH COVER ONLY**, using cold water and mild soap.
- **LINE DRY**, to prevent cover from shrinking.
- **DO NOT:** Bleach, machine wash, machine dry, iron, or disassemble head pad insert.

## Cleaning the Shell & Harness

- **BRUSH AWAY LOOSE DEBRIS**, using a soft bristled brush.
- **SPONGE CLEAN**, using warm water and mild soap.
- **TOWEL DRY**
- **DO NOT:** Use solvents, abrasive cleaners, or bleach. Do not machine wash, machine dry, or disassemble the harness.

## Cleaning the Harness Adjuster

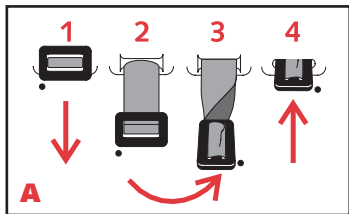
**WARNING:** Periodically check the adjuster area to be sure it is clean and free of food, coins, dirt, and other objects. If debris is present, it must be removed to prevent interference with the adjuster mechanism.

- **BRUSH AWAY LOOSE DEBRIS**, using a soft bristled brush.
- **SPONGE CLEAN**, using warm water and mild soap.
- **TOWEL DRY**
- **DO NOT:** Use solvents, abrasive cleaners, or disassemble the harness.

### Buckle

#### Removal:

- 1 With restraint removed from the base, pull cover and foam back so that the buckle slots are visible.
- 2 Locate metal buckle strap retainer on the top side of the restraint.
- 3 Pull retainer up to loosen.
- 4 Turn the retainer so that the short side will go down through the slot in the restraint shell to the bottom side of the restraint.
- 5 From the bottom of the restraint, turn the retainer so the short side will go up through the slot in the restraint shell to the top side of the restraint.
- 6 Thread the retainer through the hole in cover to remove buckle from restraint.



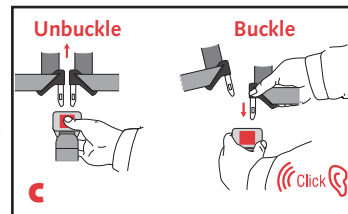
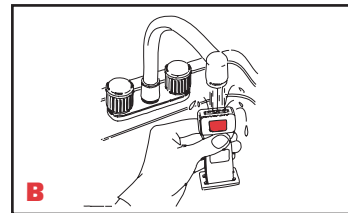
#### Installation:

- 1 Locate the appropriate buckle slot.
- 2 Turn the buckle retainer so that the short side will go through the slot in the cover and restraint shell (Fig. A).
- 3 From the bottom of the restraint, turn the retainer so the short side will go up through the unused slot in the restraint shell to the top side of the restraint.
- 4 Replace cover and belly pad.
- 5 Pull buckle away from restraint until tight, then verify that the strap is not twisted and the release button is facing outward.

### Cleaning the Buckle

If a child eats and drinks while in the restraint, the buckle may need to be periodically checked and cleaned of any accumulated debris or dried liquids.

- **THOROUGHLY RINSE**, using warm water (Fig. B).
- **SOAK**, overnight if possible, using warm water to loosen hardened drinks or food.
- **TEST THE BUCKLE**, by fastening and unfastening until a positive click is heard after inserting the second buckle tongue (Fig. C). If a click is not heard, repeat cleaning procedure.
- **TOWEL DRY**
- **DO NOT:** Lubricate, use solvents, abrasive cleaners, soap or household detergents.



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