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Infants Until **At Least** Safe Kids 1 Year Old

and At Least **20 Pounds Must Be in Rear-Facing** Car Seats.

Connecticut law requires infants must ride rear-facing until they are both over 1 year old and over 20 pounds.

Route harness straps in lower slots at or below shoulder level.

Keep harness straps snug and fasten harness clip at armpit level.

Put car seat carrying handle down.

Rear-Facing Car Seat (infant or convertible)

Recline a rear-facing seat at about a 45 degree angle. A firmly rolled up towel under the car seat may help.

Infants *must* ride in the back seat facing the rear of the vehicle. This offers the best protection for your infant's head, neck and spine.

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For more information, please contact: Safe Kids Connecticut at (860) 545-9988. www.ctsafekids.org

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Before You Hit the Road, Read This.

T ake a minute to be sure your child is riding safely. Study your vehicle owner's manual and car seat instructions carefully.

- To install the car seat, use either the seat belt or use LATCH (lower anchors and tethers).
- The back seat is the safest place for kids of any age.
- Send in the car seat registration card to be notified if your car seat is recalled.
- Never use a car seat that has been involved in a crash.
- Get a tight fit--the seat should not move more than one inch from side to side or toward the front of the vehicle.
- Check your vehicle owner's manual to see if you need a locking clip. Not all seat belts will secure your car seat without it.



For more information on car seats or to find out where to get your car seat checked, please contact:

Safe Kids Connecticut (860) 545-9988

Or your local Safe Kids:

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