



# The Massachusetts Safety Seat Law Has Changed to Keep Kids Safer!

After July 10, 2008 children up to age eight or who are under 4'9" must ride in a proper child restraint. After children outgrow their car seat they must ride in a booster seat using a lap and shoulder belt.

Use this chart to determine what kind of safety seat your child should use.

## Remember!

- The safest place for any child, in any restraint system, is the back seat.
- You are your child's most powerful role model so always wear your safety belt---and make sure everyone else in the car is buckled up---front seat and back! It's the law for everyone!
- For more information call The Car Safe Line at **1-800-CAR-SAFE (1-800-227-7233)** at the MA Department of Public Health or visit [mass.gov/childsafetyseats](http://mass.gov/childsafetyseats)

	Age	Weight	Height	Seat
Infant	Birth to 1 Year	Up to 20-22 lbs	Not Applicable	Infant Seat or rear-facing Convertible Seat
Toddler	1-4 Years	20-40 lbs	Not Applicable	Convertible/ Forward-facing Safety Seat
Older Children	5-7	Not Applicable	Under 4"9"	Belt-Positioning Booster Seat

To read the law visit <http://www.mass.gov/legis/laws/seslaw08/sl080079.htm>