National Child Passenger Safety Week

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Car crashes are a leading cause of death for children ages 1-13.

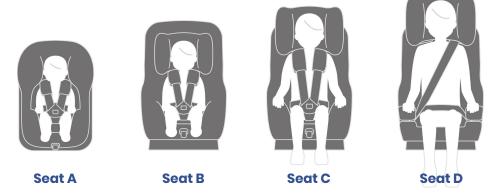
- Roughly every 30 seconds, a car crash involving a child under 13 occurs.
- In 2017, 675 children under the age of 13 were killed in car accidents. That's nearly two per day.

Car seats can dramatically increase your child's chance of survival in a serious crash.

- In passenger cars, car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury for infants by 71% and for toddlers by 54%.
- In light trucks, car seats reduce the risk of fatal injury for infants by 58% and for toddlers by 59%.
- In 2017, car seats saved the lives of an estimated 312 children under the age of 5.



Know Your Car Seats



- Rear-facing car seats (example: Seats A and B in depiction above) are recommended for children under a year old up to age 3.
- Forward-facing car seats (example: Seat C in depiction above) are recommended for children between the ages of 1-7, or until they reach the height and weight limit allowed by the manufacturer.
- Booster seats (example: Seat D in depiction above) are recommended for children between the ages of 4-12, or until they fit a seat belt properly.



Know Your Car Seats

- Once your child has graduated from the booster seat, it is important to keep them in the back seat until at least age 13!
- For more information on how to select the right car seat for your child, <u>click here</u>.

Is Your Child's Car Seat Correctly Installed?

Although most parents are confident that they know how to install a car seat, in 59% of cases car seats are not installed correctly.

September 21 is National Seat Check Saturday. Find your <u>local seat check event</u> to learn how to install your car seat from a certified car seat technician.





Tips for Mom and Dad

- Make sure your child's car seat is up-to-code: every state has <u>different</u> <u>legal requirements.</u>
- Learn the expiration date of your child's car seat: car seats should be replaced every 6-10 years.
- Stay up-to-date on child car seat recalls: The NHTSA maintains a current list here.



If you or your child are involved in a car accident caused by someone else, we want to help you. Call the law team at Dudley DeBosier Injury Lawyers to handle the details while you focus on your recovery.

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