Washington State Car Seat Law

Children up to age 2 must be properly secured in a rear-facing (infant) car seat

Children ages 2-4 years must ride in a car seat with a harness (rear or forward facing)

Children 4 and older must ride in a car seat or booster seat until they are 4'9" tall

Children up to age 13 must ride in the back seat when practical to do so

Scan the QR code below or contact Burien PD CSO Wilson to make an appointment

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(206) 255-5528
bit.ly/BurienCarSeats

Car Seat Assistance Program

If you're in need of a car seat and qualify, we may be able to help!

Qualifications

- Resident of Burien or your child goes to school/daycare in Burien
- Cannot afford/do not have a way to obtain a car seat or enrolled in Headstart, ECEAP, Medicaid
- Have a vehicle to install a car seat

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Child Car Seat Safety Program

The Burien Police Department offers free car seat inspections with a certified car seat technician by appointment

Did you know that nearly 60% of car seats are installed incorrectly?



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Rear-Facing (Infant) Car Seat

Birth - 12 Month

Your child under age 1 should always ride in a rear-facing car seat. There are different types of rear-facing car seats:

- Infant-only seats can only be used rear-facing
- Convertible and all-in-one car seats typically have higher height and weight limits for the rear-facing position, allowing you to keep your child rear-facing for a longer period of time.

1 - 3 Years

Keep your child rear-facing as long as possible. It's the best way to keep him or her safe. Your child should remain in a rear-facing car seat until he or she reaches the top height or weight limit allowed by your car seat's manufacturer. Once your child outgrows the rear-facing car seat, your child is ready to travel in a forward-facing car seat with a harness and tether.*

Forward-Facing Car Seat

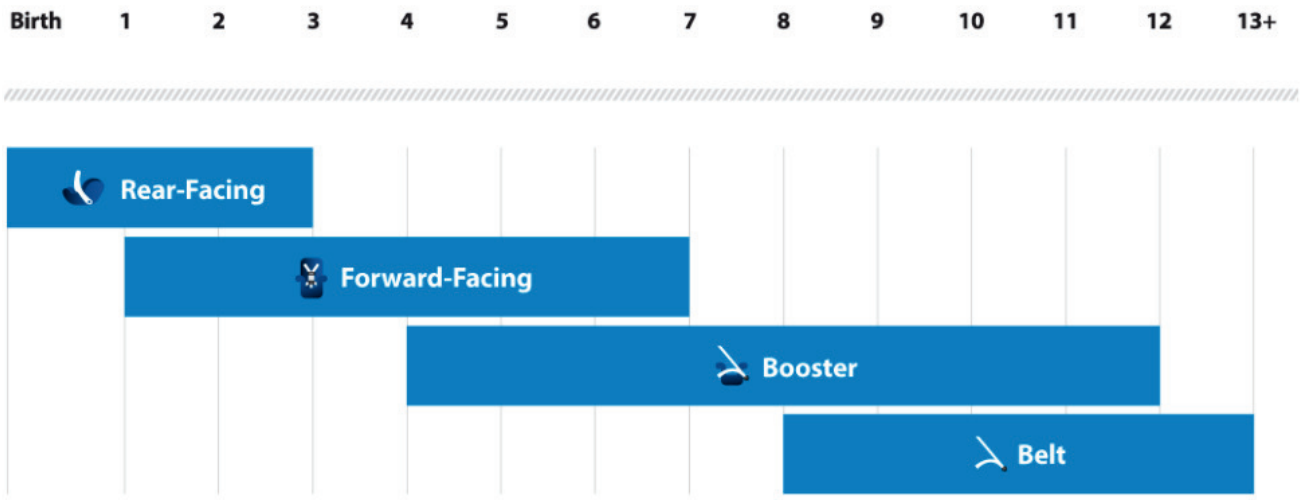
1 - 3 Years

*Same as Rear-Facing Car Seat 1-3 Years

4 - 7 Years

Keep your child in a forward-facing car seat with a harness and tether until he or she reaches the top height or weight limit allowed by your car seat's manufacturer. once your child outgrows the forward-facing car seat with a harness, its' time to travel in a booster seat, but in the back seat.**

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) recommended car seats based on child's age/size



Booster Seat

4 - 7 Years

**Same as Forward-Facing Car Seat 4-7 Years

8 - 12 Years

Keep your child in a booster seat until he or she is big enough to fit in a seat belt properly. For a seat belt to fit properly the lap belt must lie snugly across the upper thighs, not the stomach. The shoulder belt should lie snugly across the shoulder and chest and not across the neck or face.

Remember: your child should still ride in the back seat because it's safer there.***

Seat Belt

8 - 12 Years

***Same as Forward-Facing Car Seat 8 - 12 Years

