

Louisiana Child Passenger Safety Law

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Birth to at least 2 years old

Ride rear facing in an infant or convertible child safety seat.

At least 2 years old AND has outgrown rear facing seat by height or weight
Ride in a forward-facing child safety seat with internal harness

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4 years old AND has outgrown the forward facing internal harness system by height or weight

Ride restrained in a belt positioning child booster seat



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9 years old OR has outgrown the booster seat AND can pass the 5 step test*

Ride restrained with a lap shoulder belt secured correctly on the vehicle seat

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ALL CHILDREN UNDER 13 YEARS OLD SHALL RIDE IN THE REAR SEAT OF A VEHICLE WHEN AVAILABLE AND PROPERLY RESTRAINED

* **5 step test:**

- ✓ Back against the vehicle seat
- ✓ Knees bent at edge of seat
- ✓ Lap belt on tops of thighs, not belly
- ✓ Shoulder belt between neck and shoulder
- ✓ Sit properly. No slouching, no playing with seatbelt, etc.

Seats must be used according to the manufacturer's instructions. For height and weight guidance, visit www.healthychildren.org or <https://bit.ly/1SLucaD>



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