

User Guide

For future use, STORE USER GUIDE in door at rear of Base.

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SAFE USE CHECKLIST

A YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY DEPENDS ON YOU! You MUST follow the detailed instructions in this User Guide to ensure the steps below are performed correctly!

Install Child Restraint Rear-Facing

forward facing vehicle seats only
 child faces towards rear of vehicle



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Install in Safe Location in Vehicle

position with NO frontal airbag
 compatible vehicle belts

Ensure Child is in Size Range

 \Box weight – 4-22 lbs \Box height – 30 inches or less

O Secure Child Properly in Carrier

☐ correct shoulder strap height ☐ harness snug and chest clip correct

Secure Restraint Properly in Vehicle vehicle belts tight and restraint secure

Carrier securely attached to Base

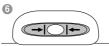
O Verify that Recline Angle is Correct

Bubble between arrows

Level Line on Carrier is level with ground.







REGISTRATION & RECALL

Please complete the Registration Card that came with your Child Restraint and mail it promptly.

Child Restraints could be recalled for safety reasons. You must register this restraint to be reached in a recall. Send your name, address, and the restraint's model number and manufacturing date to:

Chicco USA Inc. 1842 William Penn Way Lancaster, PA 17601 or call 877-424-4226

For recall information, call the U.S. Government's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-800-424-9393 (202-366-0123 in D.C. area).

NEED HELP?

If you have any problems with your Chicco Child Restraint, or any questions regarding installation or use, please call:

Chicco USA Customer Service 1-877-424-4226

Please have Model Number available when you call



Take Time to Read This User Guide

Carefully read and understand all instructions and warnings in this User Guide. Your child's safety depends on you knowing how to setup, install and use this child restraint properly.

A Before installing this restraint in a vehicle, be sure to also check the vehicle owner's manual for information on child restraint installation.

▲ NEVER allow others to use this Child Restraint until they have read and understood all instructions in this User Guide. For future reference, keep this User Guide in storage door at rear of Base.

Make Sure Child Fits This Restraint

▲ ONLY USE this Child Restraint with children who weigh between 4 and 22 pounds (2 and 10 kg) and whose height is 30 inches (76 cm) or less.

DO NOT use this child restraint if top of child's head is less than 1 inch from top of restraint.

▲ ONLY USE the Newborn Insert for infants who weigh between 4 and 11 pounds (2 and 5 kg).

DO NOT use Newborn Insert if child weighs more than 11 pounds.



Secure Child Properly

▲ Snugly adjust the harness around your child. A loose harness could cause the child to be ejected in a sudden stop or crash, resulting in serious injury or death.

A snug strap should not allow any slack. It lies in a relatively straight line without sagging. It does not press on the child's flesh or push the child's body into an unnatural position.

▲ NEVER use clothing or blankets that interfere with fastening or tightening the harness. An unsecured child could be ejected in a sudden stop or crash!

To keep child warm, place a blanket over child and restraint AFTER you have properly secured child in harness.

ALWAYS check to make sure buckle is securely latched. If buckle separates, child could be killed or seriously injured.

A NEVER leave child unattended.

ALWAYS keep child properly secured in harness whenever child is in carrier.



Install Restraint Correctly

▲ NEVER place this Child Restraint in a vehicle position that has a front airbag. An infant in a rear-facing child restraint could be killed by an airbag. Refer to vehicle owner's manual before installing this restraint in a seating position with side airbags.



▲ ALWAYS install rear-facing when using this Child Restraint in a vehicle. Your child could be killed or seriously injured if you install this restraint forward facing.

A Install this Child Restraint in a rear vehicle seat if possible.

According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained in the rear seating positions rather than in the front seating positions.

A ONLY install this child restraint in forward facing vehicle seats.

A NEVER install in rear facing or side facing vehicle seats.

▲ NEVER use restraint in a vehicle seating position where it can not be secured tightly. A loosely installed child restraint will not protect your child in a crash.



Install Restraint Correctly

ALWAYS secure this Child Restraint with the vehicle's child restraint anchorage system (LATCH) if available or with a vehicle belt.

To ensure a correct installation of Child Restraint, you must follow the step by step instructions in this User Guide.

▲ **BEFORE** each use, **ALWAYS** check to make sure restraint is tightly secured in the vehicle seat.

▲ ALWAYS check for secure attachment of carrier each time you use this restraint. After latching Carrier into Base, lift up on Carrier to make sure that it is securely attached to Base. Child could be killed or seriously injured if Carrier is not securely latched to Base.



▲ NEVER travel with this Child Restraint unsecured in a vehicle, even when it is unoccupied. An unsecured child restraint could injure other occupants in a sudden stop or crash.



Ensure Child's Safety When Using Carrier

▲ NEVER Leave Child Unattended!

▲ Suffocation Hazard: Infant carrier can roll over on soft surfaces and suffocate child. NEVER place carrier on beds, sofas or other soft surfaces.

▲ Strangulation Hazard: Child can strangle in loose restraint straps. ALWAYS use harness. NEVER leave child in carrier when straps are lose or undone.

▲ Fall Hazard: Child's movements can slide carrier. NEVER place carrier near edges of counter tops, tables, or other elevated surfaces. Child and carrier might fall.

▲ BE SURE handle is locked in the "carry position" before lifting carrier by handle. An unlocked handle could move unexpectedly, causing injury to child.

▲ NEVER place carrier in top of shopping cart. Carrier will not be secure and could fall causing injury to child.

▲ ALWAYS check buckle and other parts for hot surfaces. A hot surface could burn child! Cover unoccupied carrier with blanket when leaving in a vehicle exposed to sunlight.



Check Condition of Restraint

▲ DO NOT use this Child Restraint if any of the Harness or LATCH straps are cut, frayed or damaged in any way.

▲ **DO NOT** use this Child Restraint if any parts are broken, damaged or missing. Call 1-877-424-4226 to find out if the damaged part or parts can be replaced.

▲ NEVER modify or disassemble this Child Restraint except as instructed to in this User Guide.

▲ DO NOT use any accessories, pads or products supplied by other manufacturers with this Child Restraint. Items not tested with this restraint could injure your child.

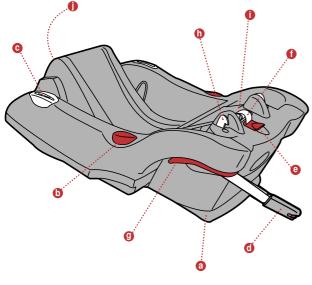
▲ DO NOT use this Child Restraint if it is more than 6 years old. Check manufacturer's label on underside of Carrier and in recess of Base for the "Do Not Use After" date.

A YOU MUST replace this Child Restraint if it has been involved in a crash, even if you cannot see visible damage. A damaged child restraint may not protect your child in a future crash.

BASE OVERVIEW

Becline Foot
Recline Button
Recline Indicator
LATCH Connector
LATCH Release Lever
LATCH Pull Strap
Shoulder Belt Lockoff
Carrier Attachment Hook
Pull Strap Storage Pocket

Storage & User Guide



BASE FEATURES

Storage Compartment

The Storage Compartment is at the rear of the Base. The User Guide is stored in the Door.

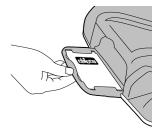
▲ DO NOT place heavy or sharp items in the Storage Compartment. They could fly out during a sudden stop or crash, and cause serious injury.

Recline Adjustment

• Recline angle may be adjusted by pushing Recline Buttons while lifting Base.

Angle is correct when entire Bubble is between arrows. Vehicle MUST be on a level surface for the Bubble to indicate correctly.





LATCH REMOVAL & STORAGE

This Child Restraint can be safely installed using vehicle belts or LATCH. LATCH is a Child Restraint attachment system that is standard in most vehicles manufactured after September 1, 2002. Refer to your vehicle owner's manual for details regarding LATCH use in your vehicle.



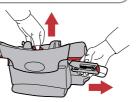
Removing LATCH Pull LATCH Connectors out of storage pockets while lifting up on LATCH Release Lever.

Storing LATCH:

 Insert LATCH Connectors into storage pockets.

Pull LATCH Pull Strap to secure LATCH Connectors.

Soli LATCH Pull Strap and store in Pull Strap Storage Pocket.









A When not using LATCH, the LATCH Connectors and Pull Strap MUST be stored properly to allow Carrier to attach securely to Base.

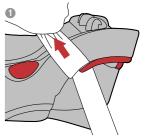
SHOULDER BELT LOCKOFF

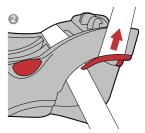
The Shoulder Belt Lockoff is used when installing the Base using your vehicle belts. It locks the vehicle shoulder belt in place, ensuring a stable, secure Base installation.

• With vehicle belt tight, position belt under Shoulder Belt Lockoff.

Firmly slide vehicle belt under Shoulder Belt Lockoff

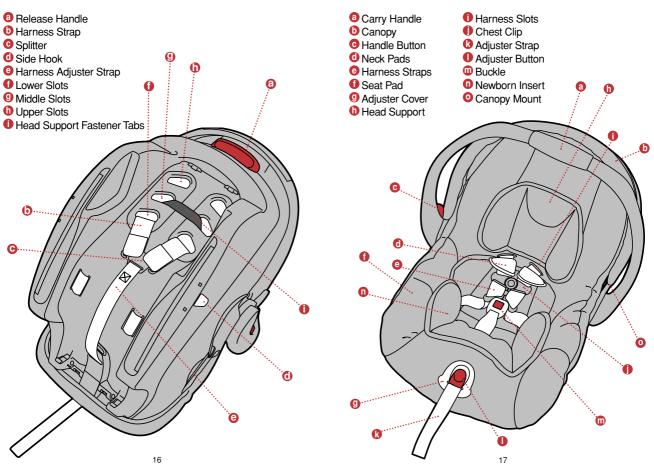
Refer to "Installation Using Vehicle Belt" on page 32 for detailed installation instructions.





CARRIER OVERVIEW

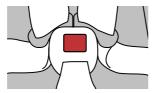
CARRIER OVERVIEW



CARRIER HARNESS FEATURES

Harness Buckle

To release buckle tongues, firmly press red button on buckle. To fasten, insert each tongue into buckle, listen for a click and then tug to verify that it is latched.



Check that buckle functions properly and is kept free of dirt. For cleaning instructions, see page 40.

Chest Clip

To separate chest clip, push center button and pull apart. To fasten, push together until locked.

Position chest clip at center of child's chest, level with armpits.

Harness Adjuster

To loosen harness, firmly press button while pulling out on both shoulder straps.

• To tighten harness, slowly pull adjuster strap until harness is snug around child.

Keep adjuster area clean and free of dirt. DO NOT attempt to remove adjuster cover or button.

HANDLE

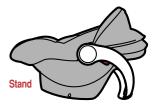
Handle has 3 LOCKED positions. To rotate to a new position, press both buttons near pivot.

▲ BE SURE handle is LOCKED in "CARRY" position before lifting carrier by handle. An unlocked handle could move unexpectedly, causing injury to child."

ALWAYS place handle in one of the LOCKED positions when using Child Restraint in vehicle.







▲ NEVER hang toys or other objects from handle when using child restraint in vehicle. They could seriously injure a child in a sudden stop or crash.

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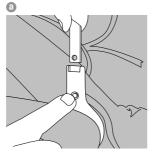
CANOPY

To Adjust Canopy, grab bow on both sides and rotate. Detach fastener tabs when rotating toward front of carrier.

To Remove Canopy Fabric, pull fabric away from Canopy Mount to expose button. Press button on canopy mount to release end of bow. Slide canopy fabric off bow and detach canopy from rear of pad.

Release bow from canopy mount on opposite side of carrier if using carrier without canopy.

To replace canopy, reverse previous steps.



NEWBORN INSERT

Use Newborn Insert to provide additional support and ensure a secure harness fit for smaller infants.

▲ The harness height may have to be changed to fit your child. Before using insert, read the instructions on "Changing Harness Height" and "Securing Child in Carrier"

To Install Insert in Carrier

• Pull End of Buckle through center slot in insert.

Pull Both Harness Straps over and around side panels. Push insert firmly into bottom of carrier.

Top of insert should always be BELOW the lower harness slots.

 When properly installed, the Newborn Insert and harness should look like drawing.







▲ ONLY USE Insert with infants who weigh between 4 and 11 lbs. NEVER USE Insert if child weighs more than 11 lbs!

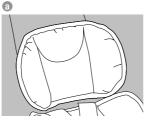
HEAD SUPPORT

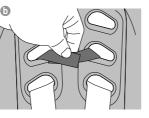
Use head support to provide additional support for a young infants head.

Head support can be used
 with or without newborn insert.

• To Install Head Support, pull Fastener Tabs through slots and then attach together on underside of carrier.

Fastener Tabs must always connect through slots ABOVE the slots used for harness.





CARRIER/BASE ATTACHMENT

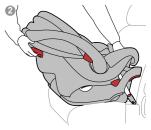
• To secure carrier to base, align carrier with base and push firmly into base. Listen for a click.

Pull up on Carrier to verify that it is securely latched.

O To release carrier from base, pull release handle while lifting carrier out of base.

Be sure to hold carrier securely with both hands when removing.





▲ NEVER use head support with harness in upper slots. Head support could interfere with harness adjustment.

CHILD REQUIREMENTS

Child Requirements

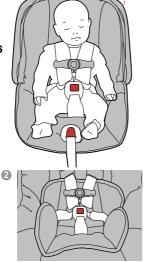
Children should ride in a REAR-FACING Child Restraint until they're at least 1 year old AND weigh at least 20 lbs.

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• ONLY use this child restraint if the child meets all of the following requirements:

- □ Weight between **4 and 22 pounds** (2 and 10 kg).
- □ Height is less than **30 inches** (76 cm).
- □ Top of head is at least **1 inch** below top of carrier.

Use Newborn Insert for infants who weigh between 4 and 11 pounds (2 and 5 kg.)



CHANGING HARNESS HEIGHT

• With child firmly seated in carrier, identify correct slots for harness. Select closest slots AT or BELOW child's shoulders.

With child removed and harness loosened, turn carrier over to expose splitter. Unhook one strap from splitter.

Pull end of loose strap out of pad and return it back through correct slot. Do not twist strap.

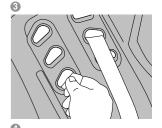
Pe-attach strap to splitter. Connection to splitter should look like illustration.

• Repeat for other strap. Straps must be free of twists and securely fastened to splitter.

Check that Harness is secure and working properly.









▲ For premature infants, you must consult the infant's doctor before using this Child Restraint. A premature infant may have difficulty breathing or have other medical problems when placed in a seated position.

▲ NEVER remove Harness or harness components from Carrier. DO NOT USE Child Restraint if any part of harness is damaged. Call 1-877-424-4226 to order a replacement harness.

SECURING CHILD IN CARRIER

 Loosen harness by firmly pressing adjuster button and pulling forward on both straps.

Press button on buckle to release buckle tongues.

Separate chest clip and spread straps apart. Place child in carrier in seated position.

Child must be resting against back and bottom of carrier.

Pull harness straps over child's shoulders and around their waist. Make sure that harness slots are AT or BELOW top of child's shoulders.

A If harness straps are not AT or BELOW child's shoulders, you must move harness to proper slots. See "Changing Harness Height" on page 25.









SECURING CHILD IN CARRIER

Insert buckle tongues into buckle. Listen for a click. Tug on tongues to verify that they are latched

Pull excess strap up through buckle tongues so that harness is snug around child's thighs.

Snap chest clip together and slide away from child's neck before tightening harness.

Tighten harness by pulling slowly on adjuster strap until harness is snug around child.

⁽³⁾ Make sure child is properly secured.

Harness must be snug. If you can pinch a fold in strap, harness is too loose.

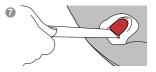
Chest Clip must be positioned at center of child's chest, level with armpits.

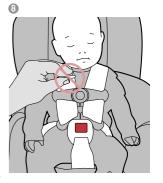
• Straps must be laying flat, free of twists and on top of child's shoulders.

A Read the "Safety Tips for Securing Child" and the "Secure Child Checklist"









SAFETY TIPS FOR SECURING CHILD

• NEVER secure child in carrier with child dressed in bulky garments or heavy clothing.

Heavy clothing can prevent harness from being properly tightened around child.

A If harness is not snug around your child, child could be ejected in a sudden stop or crash resulting in serious injury or death!

To keep child warm, place a blanket over child AFTER you have properly secured and tightened harness around your child.

To ensure a better fit for smaller infants, use the Newborn Insert and Head Support provided with this Child Restraint.

▲ NEVER use Insert if child weighs more than 11 pounds!





SECURE CHILD CHECKLIST

- Check Height of Harness Slots
 Harness straps should always
 - be AT or BELOW child's shoulders.

Check Position of Chest Clip

Chest clip should be in center of child's chest, level with armpits.

Ocheck Tightness of Harness

Harness must be snug. Harness is snug when you cannot pinch a fold in the harness material.

A If you do not secure child properly, child could be ejected in a sudden stop or crash, resulting in serious injury or death.







A NEVER place extra padding under or behind the child.

▲ NEVER leave child unattended. ALWAYS keep child properly secured in harness whenever child is in carrier.

VEHICLE INFORMATION

This Child Restraint can be securely installed in most vehicles using the vehicle seat belts or LATCH. BUT, there are some vehicle belts and installation positions that are UNSAFE for use with this Restraint.

Refer to your Vehicle Owner's Manual for detailed information about vehicle belts, LATCH, and preferred Restraint installation positions.

UNSAFE Vehicle Belts

The following types of vehicle belts MUST NOT be used to install this Child Restraint:

- Motorized (automatic) vehicle belts.
- Oor mounted vehicle belts.
- Lap/Shoulder Belts with 2 retractors, (unless Lap Belt has a "Lock Mode"). 1 retractor tensions the Lap Belt and 1 tensions the Shoulder Belt.
- Onon-Locking (ELR) Lap Belts. (Emergency Locking Retractors) These belts remain loose after installation and only lock during a sudden stop or crash.







INSTALLATION POSITIONS

Accident statistics indicate that children are safer when properly restrained in rear seating positions than in front seating positions. Children 12 and under should ride in rear seating positions.

The BEST POSITION is one that:

- Is Recommended by Vehicle Owner's Manual.
- Results in Secure Installation of Restraint.

A ONLY install Child Restraint in forward facing vehicle seats. NEVER install in rear or side facing seats.



▲ AIRBAG WARNING: NEVER install Child Restraint in a seat with a Frontal Airbag. DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY may occur. Refer to your Vehicle Owner's Manual for Side Airbag warnings and information.



INSTALLATION USING VEHICLE BELT

LATCH or Vehicle Belt? This Child Restraint can be safely installed using Vehicle Belts or LATCH. Use the method that results in the MOST SECURE installation in your vehicle.



• Position Base in forward facing vehicle seat with Recline Foot against seat back.

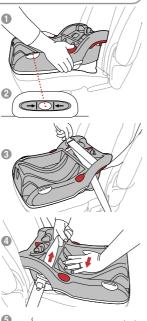
Adjust Base Angle by pushing Recline Buttons while lifting Base. Angle is correct when Bubble is between arrows.

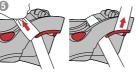
Vehicle must be on a level surface for the Bubble to indicate correctly.

O Route Vehicle Belt through openings in Base and buckle the vehicle belt.

• Tighten Vehicle Belt while pushing Base firmly into vehicle seat.

 Secure Vehicle Shoulder Belt firmly under Shoulder Belt Lockoff, while keeping tension on Belt.





INSTALLATION USING VEHICLE BELT

If using Vehicle Lap Belt only (no Shoulder Belt), make sure that Lap Belt is LOCKED, and that free end of Lap Belt is neatly stored so it DOES NOT INTERFERE with attachment of Carrier to Base.

© CHECK Installation:

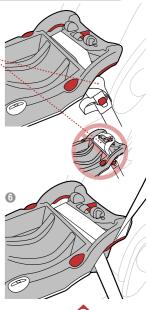
- Belts MUST be TIGHT.
- Base MUST be STABLE.
- Bubble MUST be between arrows.
- Belts & Buckles MUST NOT INTERFERE with attachment of Carrier to Base.

Attach Carrier To Base after properly securing child in Carrier. Lift up on Carrier to verify it is properly attached to the Base.

Uninstalling Base:

Remove Carrier from Base, unbuckle Vehicle Belt, and remove Base from vehicle.

A NEVER travel with Child Restraint unsecured in vehicle. Passengers may be injured during a sudden stop or crash.





INSTALLATION USING LATCH

LATCH or Vehicle Belt? This Child Restraint can be safely installed using Vehicle Belts or LATCH. Use the method that results in the MOST SECURE installation in your vehicle.



• Remove LATCH Connectors from storage pockets while lifting up on LATCH Release Lever.

Position Base in forward facing vehicle seat with Recline Foot against seat back.

O Adjust Base Angle by pushing Recline Buttons while lifting Base. Angle is correct when Bubble is between arrows.

Vehicle must be on a level surface for the Bubble to indicate correctly.

Attach LATCH Connectors by pushing them firmly onto vehicle LATCH Anchor Bars. Verify connection is secure by pulling firmly on LATCH straps.





▲ REFER TO VEHICLE OWNER'S MANUAL for information about LATCH and child restraint installation positions.

INSTALLATION USING LATCH

• **Tighten LATCH Belts** by pulling up firmly on LATCH Pull Strap while pressing Base firmly into vehicle seat.

Store LATCH Pull Strap neatly in Pull Strap Storage Pocket.

- Check Installation
 LATCH belts MUST be TIGHT
 - **Base** MUST be STABLE
 - Bubble MUST be between arrows
 - C LATCH Pull Strap MUST NOT interfere with attachment of Carrier to Base.

③ Attach Carrier to Base after properly securing child in Carrier. Lift up on Carrier to verify it is properly attached to the Base.









INSTALLATION USING LATCH

Uninstalling Base Remove Carrier from Base

• Loosen LATCH by lifting the LATCH Release Lever and pulling Base away from vehicle seat back.

Detach LATCH Connectors by pressing the red button on each LATCH Connector, and remove Base from vehicle.

Storing LATCH

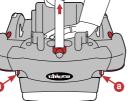
Insert LATCH Connectors into storage pockets.

 Pull LATCH Pull Strap to secure LATCH Connectors.

Poll LATCH Pull Strap and store in Pull Strap Storage Pocket.









A NEVER travel with CHILD RESTRAINT unsecured in vehicle. Passengers may be injured during a sudden stop or crash. When not using LATCH, the LATCH Connectors and Pull Strap MUST be stored properly.

INSTALLATION WITHOUT BASE

• Position Carrier rear facing on vehicle seat, with child properly secured in Carrier.

Move Carrier Seat Pad to expose Belt Guides.

 Route Vehicle Belt under both Belt Guides, and buckle the vehicle belt.

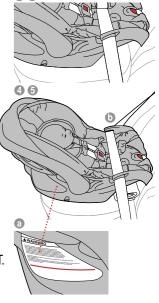
Tighten Vehicle Belt while pushing Carrier firmly into vehicle seat.

A tightly rolled towel may be used under the front edge of the Carrier if needed for stable, secure installation.

Check Installation:

- Cevel Line on Carrier MUST be LEVEL with ground.
- Vehicle belt MUST be TIGHT.
- Carrier MUST be STABLE and secure.

▲ NEVER install CARRIER without Base using a non-locking ELR vehicle belt. The installation will NOT be secure. Refer to your vehicle owner's manual for detailed vehicle belt information.



INSTALLATION IN AIRCRAFT

This Child Restraint is certified for use in commercial aircraft. Be sure to contact your airline prior to travel, to discuss their Child Restraint policy.

• Position Carrier rear facing in aircraft seat, with child properly secured in Carrier.

O Move Carrier Seat Pad to expose Belt Guides.

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O Tighten Aircraft Lap Belt

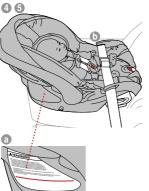
while pushing Carrier firmly into aircraft seat.

A tightly rolled airline blanket may be used under the front edge of the Carrier if needed for stable, secure installation.

Ocheck Installation:

- Carrier MUST be LEVEL with ground.
- Aircraft belt MUST be TIGHT.
- Carrier MUST be STABLE and secure.





CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

Fabrics may be spot-cleaned with mild soap and water, or machine washed in cold water on delicate cycle using mild detergent. Hang to dry. DO NOT USE BLEACH.

Removing the Seat Pad

Remove Harness Straps from Harness Slots as described in "Changing Harness Height."

• Unhook elastic band attached around handle pivots, and disconnect chest clip and buckle.

Carefully pull seat pad from under Adjuster Cover. ADJUSTER COVER MUST REMAIN IN PLACE. Guide harness assembly through slots in bottom of seat pad, while removing from Carrier.

Installing the Seat Pad

Reverse the removal instructions to reinstall the Seat Pad.

Carefully follow instructions in "Changing Harness Height" to ensure the harness is properly routed and adjusted.





A NEVER use Carrier without the Seat Pad.

CLEANING & MAINTENANCE

A NEVER remove Harness or harness components from Carrier. If harness is extremely soiled or damaged, Call Chicco USA to order a replacement.

Cleaning Plastics

Sponge clean using warm water and mild soap. Towel dry.

▲ DO NOT USE BLEACH, solvents, or household cleaners, as they may weaken the plastics.

Cleaning Harness and LATCH Straps

Sponge clean using warm water and mild soap. Air dry.

▲ DO NOT USE BLEACH, solvents, or household cleaners, as they may weaken the straps.

Replacement Parts

Many replacement parts are available for your Child Restraint. To order replacement parts, call:

Chicco USA Customer Service 1-877-424-4226

Please have the Restraint model and serial numbers available to expedite service.

Cleaning Buckle and LATCH Hardware

Sponge clean, or rinse in cup of warm water.

▲ DO NOT USE ANY SOAPS OR LUBRICANTS on Buckle or LATCH Hardware. It may cause them to malfunction.

