



Installing or Checking Child Car Restraints

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This Self-Assessment Guide provides guidance when installing, moving or checking a child car restraint. This is a general guide and is not a formal checklist. It should not be used instead of a checklist completed by an authorised Type 1 Child Car Restraint (CCR) Fitter.

It is recommended that you refer to the manufacturer's instructions, your vehicle's manual and/or an authorised Type 1 CCR Fitter for specific information. For example, your child car restraint may need additional accessories or your vehicle may require modifications by a Type 2 Fitter.

Further information is available by contacting the CCR Telephone Information Line on **1300 780 713** between 9:00am and 2:00pm, Monday to Friday. To assist, please have the details of your child car restraint and the manual (if available) when you call. This will help us provide you with more specific advice.

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1. Make sure that the child car restraint is the correct type for your child's size and age. Visit www.roadwise.asn.au/child-car-restraints.aspx for details.

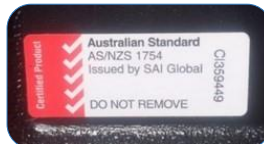
2. Read the vehicle manual to check where the anchorage points are located and if there is any additional information about fitting the child car restraint.



3. Check the age of the child car restraint. Restraints that are more than 10 years old are not recommended.



4. Check that the child car restraint has an Australian Standards sticker attached.



5. Check that the shell, straps and cover do not show signs of damage or wear and tear.



6. Read the manual for the child car restraint. If you don't have the manual, they are usually available on the manufacturer's website.



7. Make sure the child car restraint is installed according to the manufacturer's instructions, including the following:

- i. The seat belt is going through the correct pathway without any twists and is firm (except if using ISOFIX, see next point).
- ii. If using ISOFIX, ensure both attachments are securely engaged and the green indicator is fully visible.
- iii. Connect the top tether strap so that it is straight and attached to the correct anchorage point (check vehicle manual).
- iv. Check the harness straps have no twists, are at the correct shoulder height for the child and are a firm fit, with only one finger able to slide between the harness and the child's shoulder.
- v. The child car restraint should be secure. A small amount of movement near the base of the child car restraint is acceptable.

