

Brighton Fire Rescue District

Colorado's Child Restraint Law

Most recent changes effective January 1, 2025

White text indicates Colorado Law

Blue text indicates "best practice recommendations by safety advocates"

Rear_Facing_Seats_

Under 2 years of age, AND LESS than 40 lbs. Must be in back seat if available.

Can continue to rear-face beyond 2 years of age and 40 pounds until the child has outgrown the height or weight limits of the car seat (recommended).

Forward-Facing_Seats_

Under 2 years of age AND OVER 40 lbs. 2-4 years of age, and AT LEAST 20 lbs. Must be in back seat if available.

Can continue to forward-face (5-point harness) beyond 2 years of age and 40 pounds until the child has outgrown the height or weight limits of the car seat (recommended).

Booster_Seats_

4-9 yrs of age and AT LEAST 40 lbs. Must be in the back seat if available.

Can continue to forward-face (5-point harness) beyond 2 years of age and 40 pounds until the child has outgrown the height or weight limits of the car seat (recommended).

Seat_Belts_

9-18 yrs of age, must fit in the seat belt properly.

For questions on the law and how it pertains to your child, or to schedule a car seat check with a certified technician please email us at carseats@brightonfire.org.