Oklahoma’s Child Passenger Safety Law, effective November 1, 2015, meets the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Know the Ages & Stages

**BIRTH - 2 YEARS**

**REAR-FACING**

- Infant | Convertible | 3-in-1

All children under age 2 must be properly secured in a rear-facing car seat.
- Rear-facing is the safest way for small children to travel.
- They should remain rear-facing until they reach 2 years of age or until they exceed the height or weight limit of the car seat.

**FORWARD-FACING**

- Convertible | 3-in-1 | Combination

All children under age 4 must be properly secured in a car seat with an internal harness.
- A 5-point harness is the safest restraint system and should be used as long as possible (until the child exceeds the harness’ weight limit).

**BOOSTER**

- 3-in-1 | Combination | Booster

All children at least 4 years old (but younger than age 8) must ride in a child passenger restraint system or booster seat, unless they are taller than 4’9”.
- A booster seat should be used until the child can properly fit into a seat belt.

**SEAT BELT**

- Back seat for safest travel

All children taller than 4’9” (or age 8 and up) should be restrained in a seat belt.
- Front seat airbags may hurt small children.
- Riding in the back seat of the vehicle is the safest way for children to travel.

Have your child’s car seat or booster seat checked by one of the many certified child passenger safety technicians available throughout the state.

For more information:

To find a CPS technician
www.safercar.gov/parents select “Car Seats,” and then “Get Your Seat Inspected.”

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