



Simsbury Police Department

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National Child Passenger Safety Week Sept. 18-24, 2016



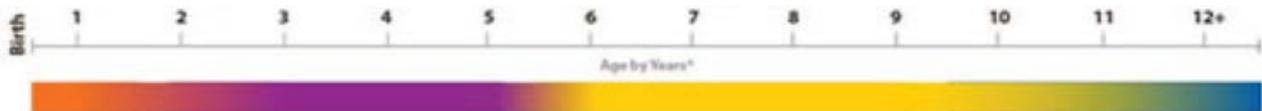
It's
**CHILD PASSENGER
SAFETY WEEK.**
Is your child in
#therightseat?

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It takes more than a seat belt to keep kids safe in a car. Using the correct car seat or booster seat can be a lifesaver: make sure your child is always buckled in an age and size appropriate car or booster seat.

During Child Passenger Safety Week we encourage all parents and caregivers to reach out and have a certified technician inspect the car seat and show correct installation and use to ensure that their children are getting the very best protection and are in the right seat for their ages and size.

For more information or an appointment, call the Simsbury Police Department car seat line at (860) 658-3180.



REAR-FACING CAR SEAT

Birth up to Age 2*
Buckle children in a rear-facing seat until age 2 or when they reach the upper weight or height limit of that seat.



FORWARD-FACING CAR SEAT

Age 2 up to at least age 5*
When children outgrow their rear-facing seat, they should be buckled in a forward-facing car seat until at least age 5 or when they reach the upper weight or height limit of that seat.



BOOSTER SEAT

Age 5 up until seat belts fit properly*
Once children outgrow their forward-facing seat, they should be buckled in a booster seat until seat belts fit properly. The recommended height for proper seat belt fit is 57 inches tall.



SEAT BELT

Once seat belts fit properly without a booster seat
Children no longer need to use a booster seat once seat belts fit them properly. Seat belts fit properly when the lap belt lays across the upper thighs (not the stomach) and the shoulder belt lays across the chest (not the neck).

Keep children ages 12 and under in the back seat. Never place a rear-facing car seat in front of an active air bag.

Additional Information can be found at: www.nhtsa.gov or www.safekids.org