

Child Passenger Safety

in Virginia

Properly Installed Safety Seats Protect Children and Save Lives!

Free assistance with safety seat installation and proper usage is available.

- Safety seat installation and use errors are very common.
- Get the seat checked by a certified CSS technician.

Free seats are available for families who meet eligibility requirements. Supplies are limited.

- Must be a current legal resident of Virginia (not U.S. citizen)
- Completion of a seat use education program is required.
- Applicant must be a legal parent or guardian, or currently in the third trimester of pregnancy.
- Eligibility for programs such as WIC, Medicaid, TANF, SNAP, and/or FAMIS services is required.

Virginia Law requires that children be correctly restrained until they're 18 years old.

- Children must ride in a rear-facing safety seat until age 2 in the back seat of the vehicle (some exceptions).
- A car seat or booster seat is required until age 8.
- A booster seat is required until the seat belt fits the child.

Learn more or access services here →

SafetySeatVA.org

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