

Britax

Roadster™
User Guide



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This product fulfills the requirements of the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards and is certified for use in motor vehicles. The Roadster is only intended for use as a forward facing booster seat for children weighing 40-100 lbs. and up to 56 inches in height. The Roadster is not to be used in the home, in boats, or other non-certified applications. **This restraint is not certified for aircraft use.**

Thank you for choosing the Roadster booster. Before you use this booster, please take the time to read and understand this owner's manual. It includes step by step instructions on how to properly use and install the Roadster in your vehicle. If you are letting others use this Roadster booster seat, make sure they understand these instructions as well. Please store this owner's manual in the compartment on the bottom of the booster seat for further use and consult it often to ensure your child's safety!

IMPORTANT: If the Roadster is used in a vehicle that incurs serious body damage in a collision, the product must be replaced. Most liability insurance policies will cover the replacement of child restraints. If you have a question on deciding if you should replace your Roadster if it has been in an accident, call your insurance company or call Consumer Service at 1-888-4BRITAX.



WARNING

FAILURE TO FOLLOW EACH OF THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN YOUR CHILD STRIKING THE VEHICLE'S INTERIOR DURING A SUDDEN STOP OR CRASH. SECURE THE BOOSTER SEAT WITH A VEHICLE BELT AS SPECIFIED IN THIS INSTRUCTION BOOKLET.

WARNING! USE ONLY THE VEHICLE'S LAP AND SHOULDER BELT SYSTEM WHEN RESTRAINING THE CHILD IN THIS BOOSTER SEAT. Under no circumstances should you use the Roadster with two point seat belts (lap belt only or shoulder belt only). Your child will be seriously injured in the event of a crash!

According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained in rear seating positions than in front seating positions. The actual dimensions of the seat and details of seat belts used to attach the booster seat differ from vehicle to vehicle. Please study the section on Compatible Seat Belts. If in doubt, consult your motor vehicle handbook and your Britax retailer.

The primary protection for occupants of a motor vehicle in a collision is the structure of the vehicle itself, and a booster seat will not protect a child when the vehicle sustains very serious damage. However, a child in a booster seat correctly installed will substantially improve the chances for survival in all accidents. Make sure that you understand the correct way to use this booster seat in your vehicle.

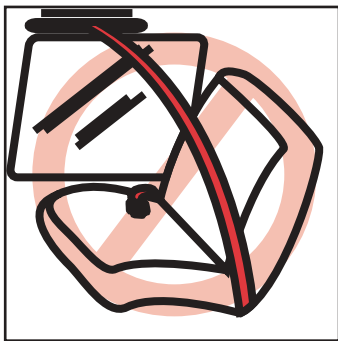
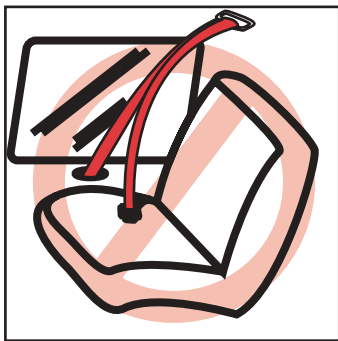
Vehicle Seat Belts

To protect your child in a crash, you must use the Roadster together with seat belts that are compatible. Different vehicles have different types of seat belts. The Roadster can only be used with lap and shoulder (three point) belts.

Never use the Roadster with lap belt only! Never use the Roadster with a shoulder belt only! The child could be seriously injured in case of a crash.

The owner's manual for your vehicle will have information on the types of seat belts in your vehicle. If you have incompatible 2 point belts (lap only or shoulder only), select another seating position. The Roadster will work with rear seat lap and shoulder belts (3 point belts) that are marked as appropriate for child car seats. Select a seat position that provides support for the child's head. The child's ear must be no higher than the top of the seat.

If you have questions about what kind of belts you have in your vehicle, please contact your vehicle manufacturer.



Vehicle Seating Positions



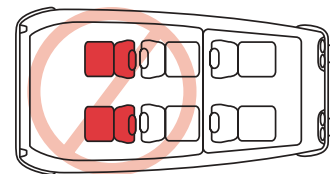
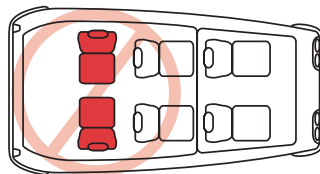
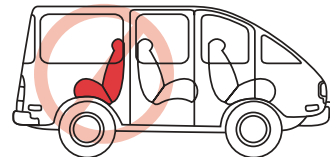
WARNING

Use the Roadster in vehicle seats which are forward facing only!

Do not use this seat on vehicle seats facing sideways or backwards! See illustrations below.

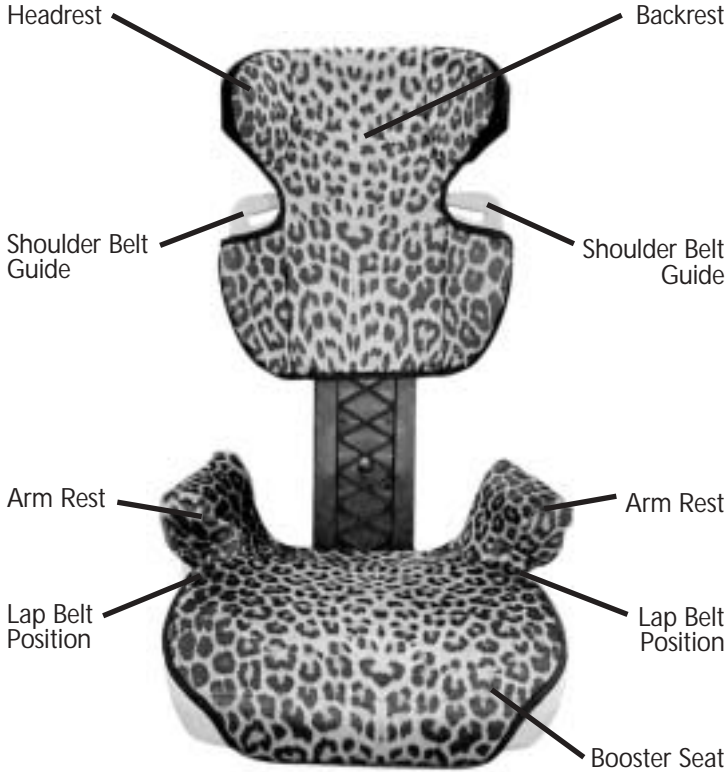
Forward-facing vehicle seats **MUST** be used with this booster seat. Side-facing or rear-facing seats in vans, station wagons or trucks **CANNOT** be used with the Roadster.

Do Not locate any child under 13 on the front seat with an air bag unless the air bag is turned off- **DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY** can result. The back seat is the safest place for children.



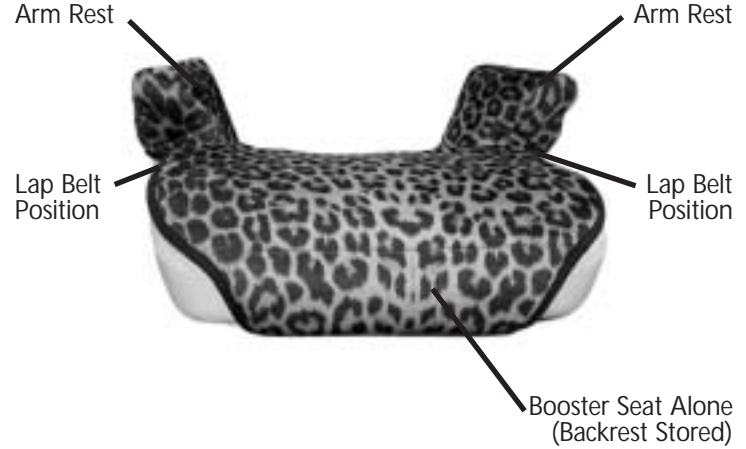
Roadster Features

Use booster seat with backrest 40-65 lbs.



Roadster Features

Use booster seat without backrest 65-100 lbs.



Installation With Backrest

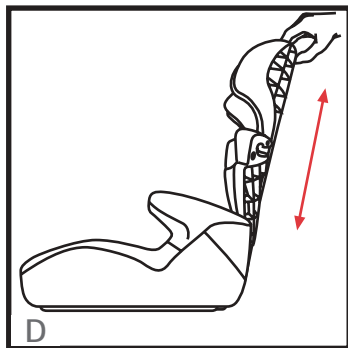
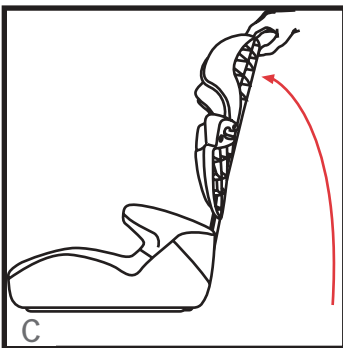
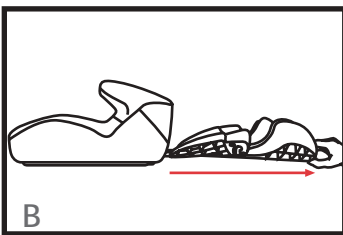
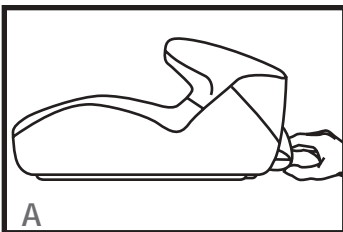
IMPORTANT: Use the Roadster **with** backrest for children who weigh between 40 and 65 lbs.

1 Quickly and firmly pull the backrest out from its storage area on the rear of the booster seat (Fig. A).

2 Completely extend the backrest from its storage area before lifting it to its upright position (Fig. B).

3 After the backrest is completely pulled out, lift the backrest to an upright seating position (Fig. C).

4 Adjust to the appropriate height of the child. The height can easily be adjusted by pulling up or pushing down on the backrest (Fig. D).



Installation With Backrest

5 Then place the Roadster forward onto the vehicle seat. The child can now sit on the Roadster.

IMPORTANT: The height of the backrest should be adjusted so that the shoulders of the child are approximately the same height as the shoulder belt guide on the backrest (Fig. E).

6 Take the lap and shoulder belt and place over the body of the child and fasten the seat belt (Fig. F).

7 The lap portion of the 3 point belt must be under the arm rests. The lap belt part should be as low as possible, tightened over the thighs of the child.

8 Take the shoulder part of the belt and route it through the belt guide and under the armrest. The shoulder belt should fit snugly against the shoulder, not on the neck, of the child and lay directly across the child's chest.

9 Tighten the lap and shoulder belt and make sure the belt is not twisted.



Installation Without Backrest

IMPORTANT: Use the Roadster **without** backrest for children who weigh between 65 and 100 lbs.

1 Place the Roadster forward facing onto the vehicle seat. Place the child onto the Roadster

2 Take the lap and shoulder belt and place over the body of the child and fasten the seat belt.

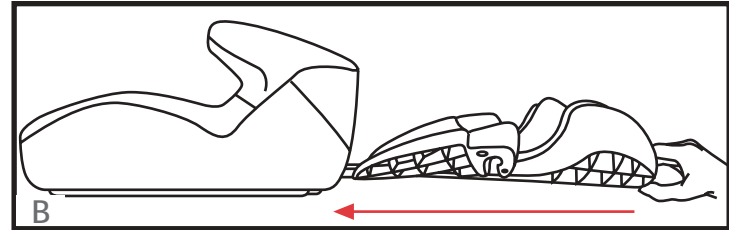
3 The lap portion of the three point belt must be under the arm rests. The lap belt portion should be as low as possible, tightened over the legs of the child.

4 Place the shoulder part of the belt over the upper torso of the child. The shoulder belt must be routed under the armrest.

5 Tighten the belt and make sure the belt is not twisted and never behind the back of the child.



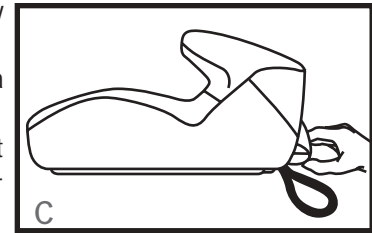
Transporting the Roadster



1 Have the backrest lay directly horizontal with booster seat.

2 Push backrest into storage area (*Fig. B*)

3 When it is in its booster seat only position, grab the carry handle to transport (*Fig. C*).



DO - Follow these instructions in the order shown before installing the Roadster in your vehicle.

DO - Keep the instructions in their storage pouch on your Roadster at all times for future reference.

DO - Cover the Roadster if it is exposed to direct sunshine. Parts can become hot to touch in sunny weather and the cover fabric may also become faded.

DO - Store Roadster in a safe place when it is not being used. Avoid placing heavy objects on it.

DO - Secure this booster seat even when it is not occupied. In a crash an unsecured object may fly around and injure occupants.

DO NOT - Use the Roadster in a residence. It has been designed for motor vehicle use and should only be used in your vehicle.

DO NOT - Use anything, such as a cushion or coat to raise the Roadster off the vehicle seat. In a crash the Roadster and vehicle seat belts would not be able to protect your child as well as they should.

DO NOT - Attempt to modify any part of the Roadster or your vehicle seat belts.

DO NOT - Leave foldable passenger seats unlatched. If you stop suddenly a loose seat back could prevent the Roadster from protecting your child.

DO NOT - Leave children alone in your vehicle, even for a short time.

REMOVING THE COVER

The cover on the booster seat area is held in place by two points on top and two underneath the seat. Find the two plugs on top of the seat cover. Gently wiggle while firmly pulling up on the plugs. They are easily removed and can be placed back in by applying pressure with your thumb. Turn the Roadster upside down and find the two plastic arrow tabs. Gently, guide the button holes on the cover over the two arrow tabs. Be careful when removing the cover to avoid tearing. To remove the cover from the backrest, unzip the back of the cover and unhook the two elastic loops. Then slide it over the headrest.

CLEANING THE COVER

HAND WASH using cold water and mild soap.

LINE DRY to prevent cover from shrinking.

DO NOT:

- Use chlorine bleach
- Machine wash
- Machine dry

If the main shell becomes dirty, it can be washed off with mild soap and water. Do not wash with household detergents or with solvents - these can weaken the seat shell.

REPLACING THE COVER

Replacement covers for the Roadster are available from your Britax retailer or by calling Britax Consumer Service at 1-888-4BRITAX.

WARRANTY

This child restraint was manufactured by Britax. (Roadster). Britax Child Safety, Inc. ("Britax") warrants this product to the original retail purchaser as follows:

LIMITED ONE YEAR WARRANTY

This product is warranted against defective materials or workmanship for one year from the date of original purchase. Proof of purchase is required. Your exclusive remedy for this Warranty is that Britax will, at its option, provide repair or replacement components for this product or refund the original purchase price of the product. Britax reserves the right to discontinue or change fabrics, parts, models or products, or to make substitutions.

To make a claim under this Warranty, you must contact Britax Consumer Services Department at 1-888-427-4829 or write to us. Proof of purchase is required.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND MAIL THE PRE-ADDRESSED OWNER REGISTRATION CARD WITHIN (30) DAYS OF PURCHASE.

WARRANTY LIMITATIONS

This Warranty does not include damages which arise from negligence, misuse or use not in accordance with the product instruction.

LIMITATION OF DAMAGES

The Warranty and remedies as set forth above are exclusive and in lieu of all others, oral or written express or implied. In no event will Britax or the retailer selling this product be liable to you for any damages, including incidental or consequential damages, arising out of the use or inability to use this product.

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Any implied Warranties, including implied Warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, shall be limited to the duration and terms of the express written Warranty. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied Warranty lasts or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations may not apply to you. This Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights, which vary from state to state. Neither Britax, nor the retailer selling this product, authorizes any person to create for it any other warranty, obligation, or liability in connection with this product.

Registration Information

Fill out the registration card and mail it in today!

Child restraints could be recalled for safety reasons. You must register this restraint to be reached in a recall. Send your name, address and the restraint's model number and manufacturing date to Britax Child Safety, Inc. 13501 South Ridge Drive Charlotte, NC 28273 or call 1-888-4BRITAX. For recall information, call the U.S. Government's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-800-424-9393 (202-366-0123 in DC area).

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