



Starriser Comfy™

User Guide



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WARNING

DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY can occur:

- Use only with children whose height is between 43 and 53 inches (109 and 135 cm).
- Use only the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt system when restraining the child in this seat.
- Secure this child restraint with a vehicle belt.
- Follow all instructions on this child restraint and in the written instructions.
- Register your child restraint with the manufacturer.
- Use restraint forward facing only!
- This child restraint must not be used in the home, in boats, or other non-certified applications.
- Secure this child restraint even when it is not occupied. In a crash, an unsecured child restraint may injure vehicle occupants.
- This booster seat is **not** compatible with vehicle child restraint anchorage systems (LATCH).
- Do not use this booster with two-point vehicle belts (lap belt only or shoulder belt only). Your child would be seriously injured in the event of a crash.
- Based on crash statistics, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommends that parents select the rear seat as the safest location for a properly installed child restraint. Please study the section on *Vehicle Safety Belts* in this booklet to ensure the child's safety. If in doubt about installing the child restraint, consult the vehicle owner's manual.
- The primary protection for occupants of a vehicle in a collision is the structure of the vehicle itself; a child restraint will not protect a child when the vehicle is seriously impacted. However, correctly installed, a child restraint will substantially improve the chances for survival in most crashes. Make sure that all users fully understand the correct ways to use this child restraint in a vehicle.
- Starriser Comfy users must only use the backrest when properly attached to the booster base.
- The backrest must be properly installed, in Starriser Comfy configuration, for use in vehicle seats that do not provide adequate rear head support.
- Do not, except as described in this book, attempt to disassemble or modify any part of the booster seat or vehicle belts.
- Do not leave loose objects, e.g. books, bags, etc., in the back of a vehicle. In the event of a sudden stop, loose objects will keep moving, potentially causing serious injuries.
- Do not leave folding vehicle seats unlatched. In the event of a sudden stop, a loose seat back could prevent the restraint from protecting the child as well as it should.
- Do not use anything to raise the booster seat off the vehicle seat.
- Do not allow children to play with this booster seat.
- Do not leave children alone in a vehicle, even for a short time.

Height Range: 43-53 inches (109-135 cm)

Maximum Height: Child is too tall when top of ears are above the top of a fully raised headrest.



Certification

This child restraint system conforms to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. **This restraint is not certified for use in aircraft.** Lap belts provided in aircraft cannot be used safely with this product.

Registration

Visit BritaxUSA.com to register your restraint online!

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 1-888-327-4236.



DO NOT place a child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag unless the air bag is turned off. **DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY** can occur. The back seat is the safest place for children under 12.

Important Notes

- Children who weigh 40 pounds (18 kg) or less are best protected in a restraint with a 5-point harness. Britax recommends that children should remain in a restraint with a 5-point harness until reaching the maximum weight or height allowed.
- Set a good example by always wearing your seat belt. Make it a firm rule that the vehicle does not move until everyone is buckled up. Make no exceptions for adults or children.
- Cover the booster with a towel or blanket when the vehicle is parked in direct sunlight. Parts of the booster seat could become hot enough to burn the child.
- Store the booster seat in a safe place when not in use. Do not place heavy objects on top of the booster while in storage.
- To prevent injury due to deterioration, hidden damage, lost instructions, outdated technology, etc., discontinue use of a booster seat that is older than six years or has been in a severe crash.

Vehicle Safety Belts

IMPORTANT: Some vehicles have no seating positions that are compatible with this booster seat. If in doubt, contact the vehicle manufacturer for assistance.

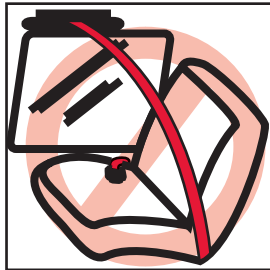
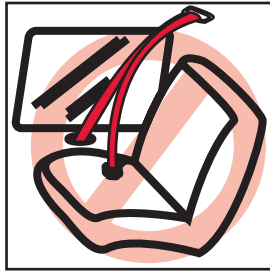
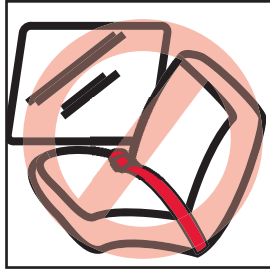
To protect your child in a crash, you must use this booster seat with compatible vehicle safety belts. Only use with three-point (lap and shoulder) safety belts that are not motorized or anchored on the vehicle door.

The following types of vehicle belts are **not** compatible with this booster seat:

- ✗ Two-point belts of any kind.
- ✗ Front vehicle belts with top or bottom anchorage points in the door.
- ✗ Motor driven automatic vehicle belts.
- ✗ Three-point belts that have separate retractors for the shoulder section and the lap section.

The vehicle owner's manual will have information on the types of seat belts in the vehicle. If the belt type is listed above, select another seating position.

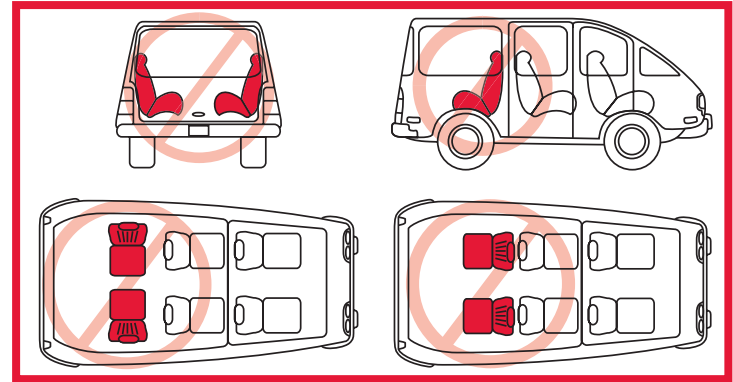
This booster seat can fit securely in most vehicles using the existing vehicle belts. However, some types of vehicle designs prevent a secure fit, due to the position of vehicle belt lower anchorage points.



Vehicle Seating Positions

WARNING:

- Britax and the U.S. Department of Transportation warn that children 12 and under must ride in the rear seats, away from front air bags. The only exception is if the air bag is turned off. When using in vehicle with air bags, refer to the vehicle owner's manual for additional child restraint installation instructions and precautions.
- 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.



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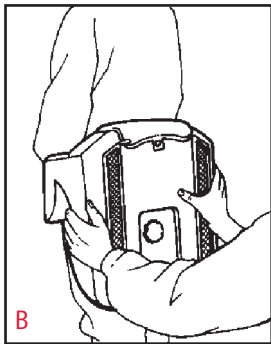
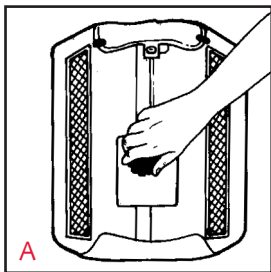
The purpose of the Starriser Comfy belt-adjusting booster with backrest is to adapt the adult vehicle safety belt to the body size of the child. It is important to adjust the width of the booster base correctly and to use the belt guide to properly align the safety belt.

Adjusting the Base

The armrests of the Starriser Comfy must be snug against the hips of the child to properly align the lap belt across the child's hips.

- 1 Turn the width adjustment knob counter-clockwise to loosen. (Fig. A)
- 2 Pull sides of booster apart. (Fig. B)
- 3 Adjust width as shown in Figure B.
- 4 Turn the width adjustment knob clockwise to tighten. (Fig. A)
 - Make sure that the cover fasteners are properly adjusted to the new position.

NOTE: As your child grows, further width adjustments will be necessary.



Removing the Backrest

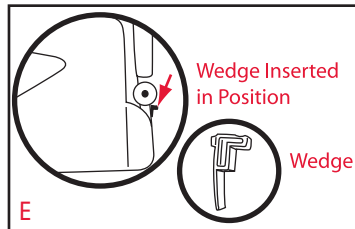
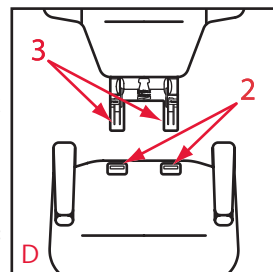
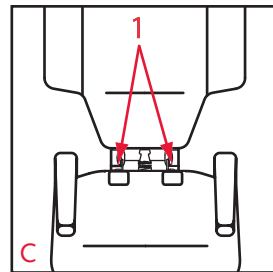
- 1 Pull connector release button (Fig. C-1) toward the front of the seat, while pulling the wedges (Fig. E) up and away from the seat to remove.
- 2 Press both connector release buttons (Fig. C-1), then pull backrest away from the base to remove.

WARNING: Leave the wedges attached to the backrest. If not attached, the wedges could be lost or pose a choking hazard.

IMPORTANT: Do not use the backrest alone. The backrest must be correctly installed on the Starriser base before use.

Attaching the Backrest

- 1 Locate the slots located at the rear of the base. (Fig. D-2)
- 2 Insert the connectors (Fig. D-3) located at the bottom of the backrest into the slots on the base.
- 3 Pull connector release button (Fig. C-1) toward the front of the seat, while inserting the wedges into the slots behind the connectors. (Fig. E)

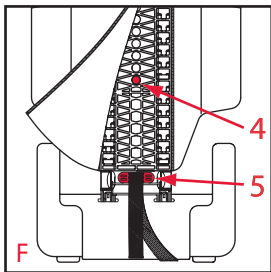


- 4 Push the wedges down, then toward the front of the seat to lock into place. (Fig. E)
- 5 Pull the backrest upward with one hand, while securing the base with the other hand, to verify the backrest is locked into place.

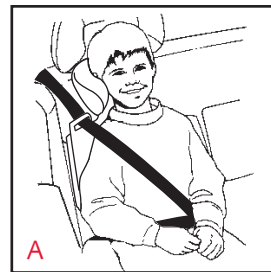
If you have trouble attaching the backrest, adjust the width of the base until you see the slots. There is a red guide block located inside the slots, inside the base. These blocks can be moved from side to side using a flat head screwdriver. Slide the guide blocks into position until the slots line up with the connectors for a secure fit.

Adjusting the Backrest

- 1 Unzip the cover of the backrest.
- 2 Push the button labeled “Press” (Fig. F-4) then slide the backrest upwards to release.
- 3 With child seated on the base, align the backrest at the appropriate height.
 - The backrest should be aligned so that, when attached to the base, the shoulder belt guides are slightly above the child’s shoulder height.
- 4 Slide the backrest down until the “Press” button clicks into place.
- 5 Place belt clip in storage slot. (Fig. F-5)
- 6 Zip the cover of the backrest.



- 1 Place the Starriser Comfy in a seating position equipped with an approved three-point safety belt.
 - Refer to pages 6-7 to determine the best seating location for your child.
- 2 Pivot the backrest to fit the vehicle seat so that it rests flat against the vehicle seat back.
 - If necessary, adjust the vehicle’s headrest to allow the backrest to rest flat against the seat back.
- 3 Position the lap portion of the safety belt, so that the belt runs under both armrests.
- 4 Position the shoulder portion of the safety belt, so that the belt runs under the armrest nearest the buckle, then through the belt guide, located at the top of the backrest (Fig A).
- 5 Verify that the safety belt is properly positioned, as described above, and that there is no twisting in the safety belt (Fig B).



WARNING:

- DO NOT install this booster seat in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag, unless the air bag is turned off.
- ALWAYS use the vehicle’s lap and shoulder belt system when restraining the child in this seat.

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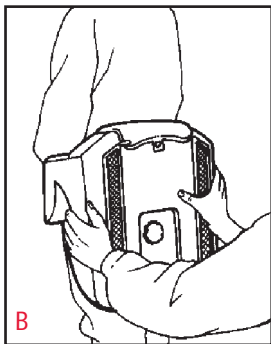
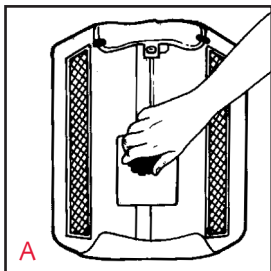
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Adjusting the Base

The armrests of the Starriser must be snug against the hips of the child to properly align the lap belt across the child's hips.

- 1 Turn the width adjustment knob counter-clockwise to loosen. (Fig. A)
- 2 Pull sides of booster apart. (Fig. B)
- 3 Adjust width as shown in Figure B.
- 4 Turn the width adjustment knob clockwise to tighten. (Fig. A)
 - Make sure that the cover fasteners are properly adjusted to the new position.

NOTE: As your child grows, further width adjustments will be necessary.



- 1 Place the Starriser in a seating position equipped with an approved three-point safety belt.
- 2 Position the shoulder portion of the safety belt, so that the belt runs under the armrest nearest the buckle, then through the belt clip (Fig. C).
 - If the belt adjuster strap is too long or too short, adjust the length so that the belt clip fits snugly against the shoulder of the child.
- 3 Position the lap portion of the safety belt, so that the belt runs under both armrests.
- 4 Verify that the safety belt is properly positioned, as described above, and that there is no twisting in the safety belt (Fig. D).



WARNING:

- The backrest must be properly installed, in Starriser Comfy configuration, for use in vehicle seats that do not provide adequate rear head support.
- DO NOT install this booster seat in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag, unless the air bag is turned off.
- ALWAYS use the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt system when restraining the child in this seat.

Removing the Cover

The covers for the Starriser base and Starriser Comfy base are held in place by buttons visible when you turn the booster upside down. Be very careful when removing the cover to avoid tearing. Unbutton and remove the cover, then follow the care instructions below.

To remove the cover from the Starriser Comfy backrest, unzip the back of the cover and slide it from the shell and headrest.

To remove armrest covers, slide cover up slightly, then toward the front of the booster.

Cleaning the Cover

HAND WASH, using cold water and mild soap.

LINE DRY, to prevent cover from shrinking.

DO NOT: Bleach, machine wash, or machine dry.

Cleaning the Shell

SPONGE CLEAN, using warm water and mild soap.

TOWEL DRY

DO NOT: Use solvents, abrasive cleaners, or disassemble booster in any way, except as instructed.

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

LIMITED WARRANTY

This booster seat is warranted against defective materials or workmanship for one year from the date of original purchase. Proof of purchase is required. The 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, contact Britax Consumer Services at 1-888-427-4829 or write to us using the address on the back cover of this booklet. Proof of purchase is required.

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

WARRANTY LIMITATIONS

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

The use of non-Britax Child Safety, Inc. covers, inserts, toys, accessories, or tightening devices is not approved by Britax. Their use could cause this restraint to fail Federal safety standards or perform worse in a crash. Their use voids the Britax warranty.

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