



TIPS on buying second-hand child restraints

ONLY BUY A RESTRAINT THAT MEETS THE AUSTRALIAN STANDARD

A sticker will show that it meets the AS/NZS 1754 standard. It is illegal to use overseas models or restraints meeting the 2000 or older standards.

DON'T USE A RESTRAINT THAT'S MORE THAN 10 YEARS OLD

A separate sticker should show the year of manufacture. Consider how long your child will need the restraint. Newer restraints are likely to be safer.

CHECK THAT ALL PARTS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION

There should be no signs of wear and tear, and the buckle should click in to place securely.

KNOW THE HISTORY

Damage might not be obvious, so it's important to check if the restraint has been in a crash. A restraint that's been in a crash must be destroyed and should not be for sale.

CHECK THE SAFETY RATING

Compare the safety of seats at childcarseats.com.au

CHECK THE RESTRAINT IS SUITABLE FOR YOUR NEEDS

Is the restraint the right size? Will it fit in your car?

ASK FOR THE INSTRUCTION MANUAL

The manual will have instructions on fitting the restraint correctly. Some manuals can be downloaded online from manufacturers.

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choosing and using
child restraints

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ease of use of child restraints
and booster seats