

1. Is the seat less than 6 years old?

- The Juvenile Product Manufacture Association (JPMA) does not recommend using seats older than 6 years of age. Check with car seat manufacture to find out how long car seat may be used.
- There may be new safety features to help protect your child on newer model car seats.

- Yes Continue
 No Do not use!

2. Has the seat been recalled for safety defects?

- Call the DOT Auto Safety Hotline 1-888-327-4236.
- Call the manufacture with the toll free number located on the side of your safety seat
- Website www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/recalls/childseat.cfm
- Attend a car seat check up event

- Yes Have the defects been corrected?
 Yes Continue
 No Call manufacture to see if recall kit is needed
 Not Sure You may not be able to tell if recall has been repaired on a second hand seat. The seat should be considered unsafe and not used.

3. Has the seat been involved in a vehicle crash?

- Please ask the original owner. If purchased at garage sale/thrift store/consignment shop/over the Internet, there is no way to know the history of the seat, and it should not be used.
- Car seats can be used in only ONE crash! Dangerous damage can be invisible to see.

- Yes Throw the seat away!
 No Continue

4. Does the seat have all it's parts: harness straps, retainer clip, original padding, shield and tether strap present and in good condition?

- Please examine the seat closely for worn or fraying parts. Also look for cracks in frame of seat.
- Compare your seat with the instruction manual to see if parts are missing.

- Yes Continue
 No Throw the seat away if not all replacement parts are available from the manufacture.

5. Do you have a copy of the manufacture's instructions?

- Call the manufacture & request a FREE replacement be sent to you.
- Many manufactures have them posted on their web sites.
- Car seat manufacture contact list can be found on SafetyBeltSafe USA's website: <http://www.carseat.org>.

- Yes Continue and BE SURE READ THEM!
 No Get a set of instructions.

6. Does the safety seat fit the child and fit in your vehicle?

- Check the instruction manual to see if child fits within the height and weight requirements for the seat. Always follow these requirements.
- Any seat-new or used-that does not fit in your vehicle makes the seat dangerous to use.

- Yes Continue
 No Do not use!

7. Do I need to attend a child safety seat inspection or check up event to learn to use my safety seat?

- Yes This is one of the best ways to receive help trying to determine if your used safety seat is safe for you to use & learn to install it correctly.