San Joaquin County
Public Health Services offers car
seat check-ups to San Joaquin
County residents, including
parents, caregivers, child care
providers, and grandparents.



Got a Ticket For Violating The Car Seat Law?

Bring a photo ID, your case/citation number, and an appropriate car seat for your child to the check-up.

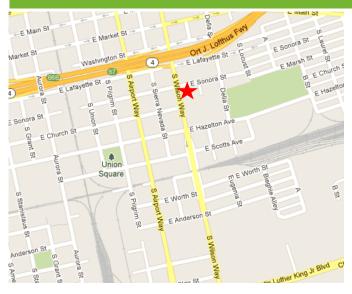
Call to make an appointment.

(209) 468-8914

Car Seat Check-Ups are conducted by Child Passenger Safety Technicians who are certified by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

CAR SEAT CHECK-UPS WEDNESDAYS

By Appointment Only 10am - 2pm (209) 468-8914





Child Passenger Safety Program

420 S. Wilson Way Stockton, CA 95205 (209) 468-8914 www.sjcphs.org

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What kind of car seat do I need?

What is the law?

Did I install it right?

What is the law?

2017 Changes in Car Seat Law for Babies & Young Children:

 Starting January 1, 2017, children under 2 years old must ride in a rear-facing car seat unless they weigh 40 pounds or more, or are 40 inches tall or more.

Current Law

- Children must be properly buckled in a car seat or booster, in the back seat of a vehicle, until they are at least 8 years old or 4 feet 9 inches tall.
- If a child is not in a car or booster seat, the driver or parent can be fined more than \$500 and get a point added to their driving record.

Remember: The Back Seat is the <u>Safest</u> Place for Children!

4 Types of Car Seats

Infant Seat

- Birth 30 pounds (weight limits vary by brand)
- Rear-facing only



Convertible Seat

- Rear-facing from birth until child reaches seat's highest rear-facing weight and height limit (usually 40 pounds)
- Forward-facing after at least 2 years old up to seat's weight and height limit (usually 40 to 65 pounds)



Booster Seat

- For child who has outgrown 5-point harness car seat
- Used until adult seat belt fits correctly (usually 4'9" tall and 8 to 12 years old)

How do I know it's installed correctly?

Common mistakes include:

- ⇒ seatbelts in the wrong belt pathway
- ⇒ infant seat facing the wrong way
- ⇒ placing a child in front of an airbag

Not sure if you're doing it right? Have your car seat checked for free at our Fitting Station

On Wednesdays
By appointment only
10am - 2pm
Call (209) 468-8914

Kaitlyn's Law (VC 15620) Unattended Children in Vehicles:

No person may leave a child age 6 or younger in a vehicle (unless supervised by someone at least age 12) if the health or safety of the child is at risk, the engine is running, or the keys are in the ignition. The citation is a minimum \$100 fine.



Combination Seat

- Forward-facing with a 5 point harness
- Can be converted into a booster seat after child outgrows 5 point harness

