Is your child in the **right car seat?**

Louisiana Child Passenger Safety Law

Younger than 13

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| Age/Size | Restraint Use |
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| Birth to at least 2 years old | Ride rear facing in an infant or convertible child safety seat |
| At least 2 years old and has outgrown the rear facing seat by height or weight | Ride in a forward-facing child safety seat with an internal harness |
| 4 years old and has outgrown the forward-facing seat with internal harness by height or weight | Ride restrained in a belt positioning child booster seat using a lap shoulder seat belt |
| 9 years old or has outgrown the booster seat and can pass the 5 Step Test | Ride restrained with a lap shoulder seat belt secured correctly on the vehicle seat Ride in the rear seat of a vehicle, |

when available, and properly

restrained



A child who can be placed in more than one category shall use the more protective category. Child safety seats must be used according to the manufacturer's instructions.

5 Step Test: The seat belt fits correctly when the child sits all the way back against the vehicle seat, the child's knees bend over the edge of the vehicle seat, the belt fits snugly across the child's thighs and lower hips, and not the child's abdomen, and when the shoulder strap snugly crosses the center of the child's chest and not the child's neck. Effective 8/1/2019

Free of charge: Child safety seat fitting stations

Region E: Rapides, Natchitoches, and Vernon Parishes

Rapides, Natchitoches, and Vernon Parishes

Rapides Parish Louisiana State Police Troop E *CARFIT*

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Appointment only

Rapides Regional Medical Center *CARFIT*

211 4th St. Alexandria, LA 71301 Theresa Hood 318.76 9.4027

- 2nd Wednesday of the Month
- 2-5 pm

Rapides Area Planning Commission *CARFIT*

803 Johnston St. Alexandria, LA 71301 Destiny Kunefke 318-487-5401 ext. 17 destiny@rapc.info

Appointment only

Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office

Police Jury Parking Lot David Dorsey 318.652.2745 ddorsey@npsheriff.net

Appointment only

Vernon Parish
Bayne Jones Army Hospital
Ft. Polk *CARFIT*

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- Every Thursday
- 10 am-2 pm

