

Provincial & Territorial Legislation Summary

Note: All provinces and territories require “proper use” of a car seat or booster seat, meaning that the car seat or booster seat must be used in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions and specifications. Seat belt legislation is not included in this document.

Province/Territory	Rear- and Forward-Facing Requirements	Booster Seat Requirements
Alberta Part 5	Must be restrained in a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb) OR 6 years old	No booster law*
British Columbia	Must rear face until a minimum of 1 year old AND 9 kg (20 lb)	Must use a booster seat until a minimum of 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 9 years old
Manitoba	Must use a car seat or booster seat suitable for the child’s age, weight, and height	Must use a booster until 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 36 kg (80 lb) OR 9 years old
New Brunswick	Must use a car seat suitable for the child’s age, weight, and height	Must use a booster until 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 36 kg (80 lb) OR 9 years old
Newfoundland & Labrador Section 178.1	Must rear face until a minimum of 9 kg (20 lb) Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb)	Must use a booster until 9 years old, OR until 145 cm (4'9") tall AND 37 kg (81.5 lb)
Northwest Territories	Must rear face until a minimum of 9 kg (20 lb) Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb)	No booster law*
Nova Scotia	Must rear face until a minimum of 1 year old AND 10 kg (22 lb) Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb)	Must use a booster until 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 9 years old

<p><u>Nunavut</u></p>	<p>Must rear face until a minimum of 9 kg (20 lb)</p> <p>Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb)</p>	<p>No booster law*</p>
<p>Ontario <u>Section 8(1)-10</u></p>	<p>Must rear face until a minimum of 9 kg (20 lb)</p> <p>Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb)</p>	<p>Must use a booster until 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 36 kg (80 lb) OR 8 years old</p>
<p><u>Prince Edward Island</u> Part V, Section 92</p>	<p>Must rear face until a minimum of 1 year old AND 10 kg (22 lb)</p> <p>Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb)</p>	<p>Must use a booster until 145 cm (4'9") OR 10 years old or exceeds manufacturer's weight limit</p>
<p>Québec <u>Section 397</u></p>	<p>Must use a car seat or booster seat suitable for the child's age, weight, and height</p>	<p>Must use a booster until 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 9 years old</p>
<p>Saskatchewan <u>Sections 60-63.1</u> and <u>Section 248</u></p>	<p>Must use a car seat until a minimum of 18 kg (40 lb) suitable for the child's age, weight, and height</p>	<p>Must ride in a booster until age 7, OR until 36 kg (80 lb) AND 145 cm (4'9") tall</p>
<p>Yukon <u>Section 194</u> and <u>Part VII Sections 86-88</u></p>	<p>Must rear face until a minimum of 10 kg (22 lb) and walking unassisted</p> <p>Must use a child restraint system until a minimum of 22 kg (48 lb) suitable for the child's age, weight, and height</p>	<p>Must use a child restraint system or booster until 145 cm (4'9") tall OR 45 kg (100 lb)</p>

*Check provincial and territorial requirements for proper seat belt use and fit.