



Children should sit rear facing until they are at least 15 Months old. See I-size information.

Children are the responsibility of the driver to be safe within the car.

Children are to be secured safely and in appropriate seating until they are 12 or over 135cm in height.

You can be fined up-to £500 if the child is under 14 for not using the correct carseat or seatbelt.

\*Advice accurate as of April 2020. Please check below for updates-

<https://www.gov.uk/child-car-seat-the-rules>

If you are concerned about your child's safety within the car after trying what's available please contact us:

**Somerset Direct -**

**0300 123 2224**

Select OPTION 1- Children and Families and request an Occupational Therapy Assessment

**Somerset County Council  
Children's Services - Inclusion  
Somerset**

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## Car/seat Safety Device Information Leaflet

*Children's Occupational Therapy Team*



**'Promote inclusion, build independence, and value individuality'**



**A range of off the shelf devices to keep your child safe within the car or car seat**

There are many items on the market you can try.

Here are a few examples..

Anti Escape System

Be Safe Belt Connector



Buckle-Up- stops harness buckle release

Houdini Stop- Shoulder Strap Connector



## Car Seat Belt when used on its own or with a High-backed Booster Seat.

Buckle Guards / Seat belt covers come in various designs



Belt-up safety strap

- Distraction techniques should be tried- i.e. Ipad, books, positive rewards for good car behaviour.
- This leaflet has small item recommendations that might work.
- They should be used and trialled first of all.
- If these items are unsuccessful and you child has a diagnosis that effects their behaviour a more substantial harness maybe needed.

