

Child restraint— —Child restraint precautions

Toyota strongly urges the use of child restraint systems for children small enough to use it.

The laws of all fifty states in the U.S.A. and Canada now require the use of a child restraint system.



CAUTION

For effective protection in automobile accidents and sudden stops, children must be properly restrained. Holding a child in your arms is not a substitute for a child restraint system. In an accident, the child can be crushed against the windshield, or between you and the vehicle's interior if you are unrestrained.

—Child restraint system

A child restraint system for a small child or baby must itself be restrained on the seat with either the lap belt or the lap portion of the lap/shoulder belt.

The child restraint system should conform to the size of the child and properly fit the vehicle seat. For greater safety, the child restraint system should be installed in the rear seat. According to accident statistics, children are safer when properly restrained in the rear seat than in the front seat.

When installing a child restraint system, follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer of the system. General directions are also provided under the following illustrations.



CAUTION

After installing the child restraint system, make sure it is secured in place. If it is not restrained securely, it may cause injury to the child in the event of a sudden stop or accident.

When not using the child restraint system, keep it secured with the seat belt or place it somewhere other than in passenger compartment. This will prevent it injuring passengers in the event of a sudden stop or accident.

Your vehicle has anchors for securing the top strap of a child restraint system. The anchor nuts are welded beneath the sheet metal to permit installation of an anchor bracket for a child restraint system.

To install an anchor bracket, use an 8 mm X 30 mm X 1.25 mm coarse thread metric bolt and a 15 mm (0.6 in.) spacer. Note that the bolts accompanying many child restraint systems are not metric. You can damage the anchor nuts on your vehicle if you force bolts with different thread into the anchor nuts.

For instructions about how to install the anchor bracket, see “(B) TOP STRAP ANCHORS AND LOCATIONS”.

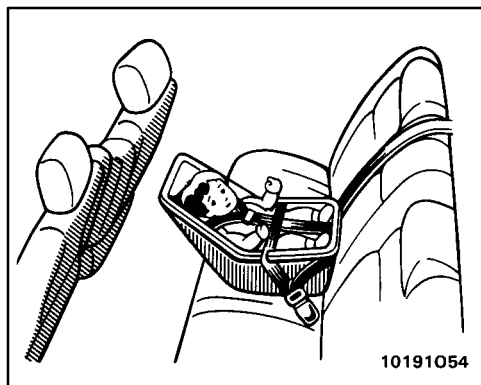
If your child restraint system does not provide any of the necessary parts, you can purchase the following items from your Toyota dealer.

*CRS installation kit

(Part No. 04731-22012)

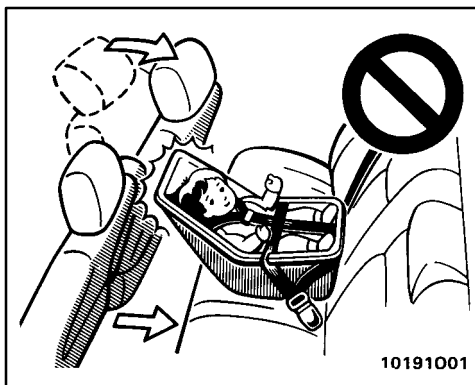
—contains 1 bolt, 3 types of spacers and 1 locking clip.

*Bolt (Part No. 91511-60830)



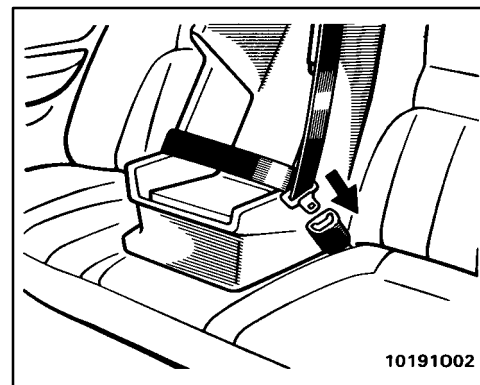
(A) INSTALLATION ON REAR SEAT CENTER

When installing a rear-facing child restraint system, follow the same procedure as when installing a forward-facing child restraint system.



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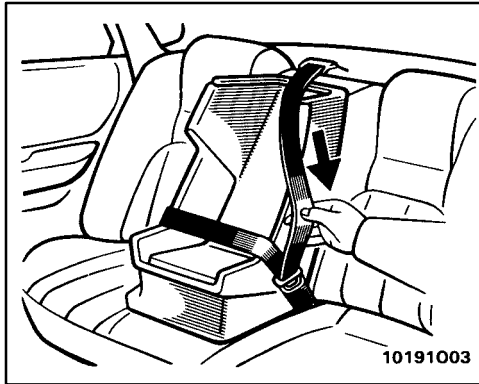
- Do not use a rear-facing child restraint system in the rear seat if the child restraint system interferes with the front seat lock mechanism or with your proper driving position. This may cause severe injury to the child and front passenger in case of sudden braking or a collision.
- If your driving position is not satisfactory, install the child restraint system at another position.



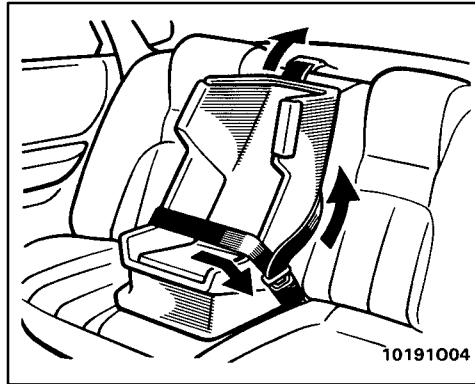
1. Fasten the lap and shoulder belt over the child restraint system following the instructions provided by its manufacturer. Keep the lap portion of the belt tight.

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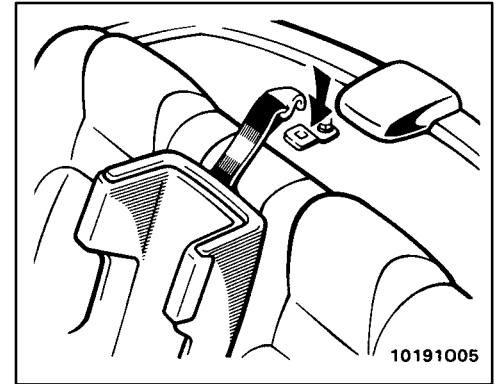
- After inserting the tab, make sure the tab and buckle are locked.
- Do not insert coins, clips, etc. in the buckle as this may prevent you from properly latching the tab and buckle.
- If the seat belt does not function normally, immediately contact your Toyota dealer.



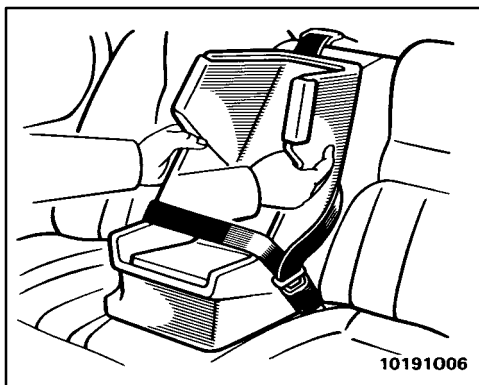
2. Fully extend the shoulder belt to put it in the lock mode.



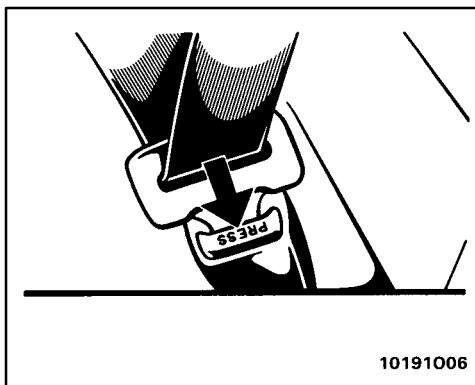
3. Place the shoulder belt between the vehicle seatback and the child restraint system and allow it to retract. To hold the child restraint system securely, let the shoulder belt retract as far as it will go while firmly pushing down the child restraint system.



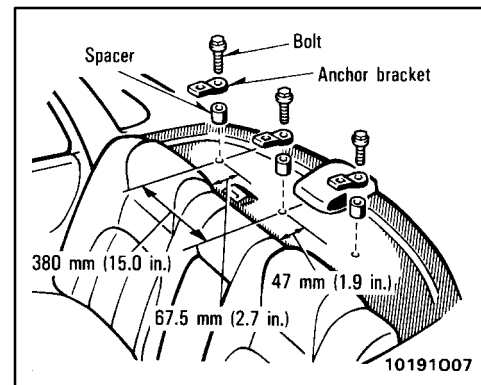
4. If your child restraint system requires the use of a top strap, latch the hook onto the anchor bracket and tighten the top strap.



Make sure the seat belt is securely locked. Also make sure the child restraint system is secure by pushing and pulling it in different directions.



5. To remove the child restraint system, press the buckle-release button and allow the belt to retract. Unhook the top strap.

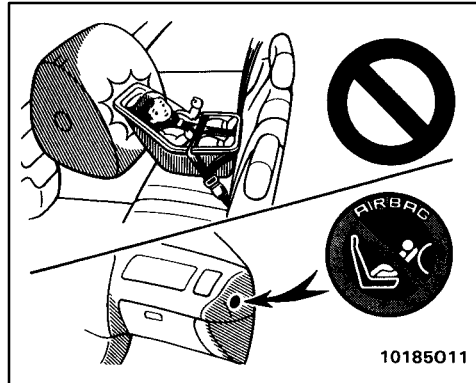


(B) TOP STRAP ANCHORS AND LOCATIONS

On the filler panel behind the rear seat

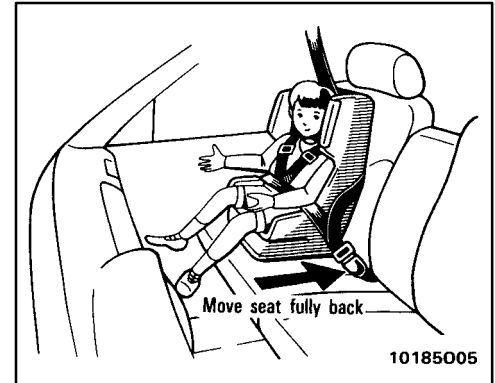
- Using the illustration as a guide, run your fingers across the trim of the filler panel itself to locate the position of the holes underneath.
- Make a hole in the covering directly above the hole in the filler panel.
- Insert a 15 mm (0.6 in.) spacer and tighten down the anchor bracket for your child restraint system with a bolt. Torque the bolt to 16.5—24.7 N·m (1.68—2.52 kgf·m, 12.2—18.2 ft·lb).

To comply with Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, vehicles sold in Canada are provided with a bracket set in the glovebox, designed for use with any of the 3 anchor locations shown in the illustration.



(C) INSTALLATION ON FRONT SEAT OUTSIDE

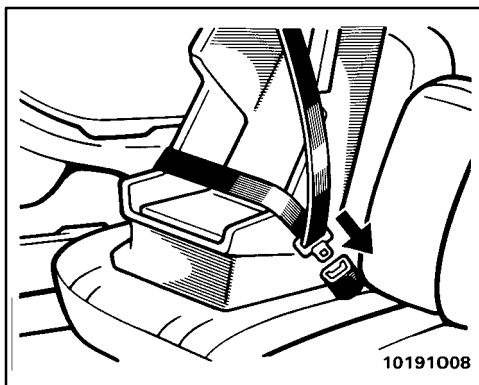
Do not use a child restraint system which requires use of a top strap in the front seat. A child restraint system which requires use of a top strap should only be installed in the rear seat.



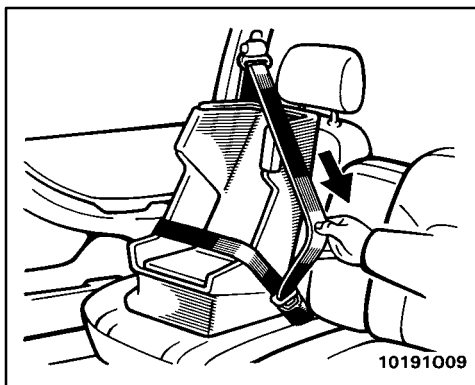
- When using a forward-facing child restraint system, move the seat as far back as possible.



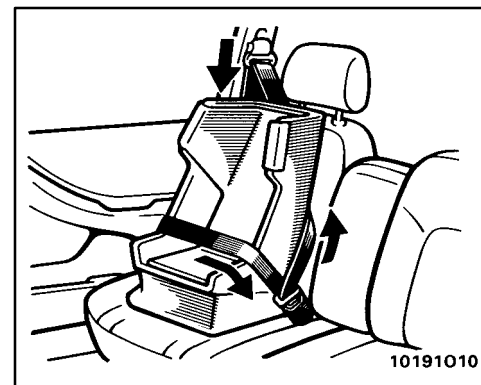
- Do not use a rear-facing child restraint system in the front seat because the force of the rapid inflation of the passenger airbag may cause severe injury to the child. Vehicles with a passenger airbag display a caution label on the passenger side instrument panel as shown above to remind you not to install a rear-facing child restraint system on the front seat.



1. Fasten the lap and shoulder belt over the child restraint system following the instructions provided by its manufacturer. Keep the lap portion of the belt tight.



2. Fully extend the shoulder belt to put in the lock mode.

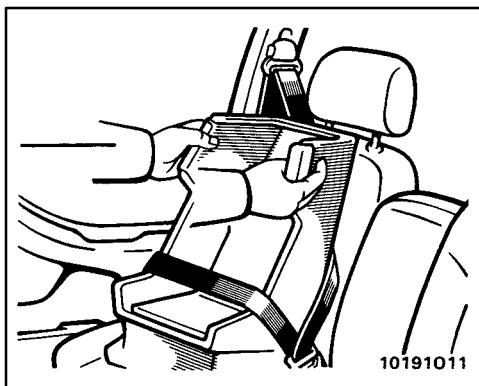


3. Place the shoulder belt between the vehicle seatback and the child restraint system and allow it to retract. To hold the child restraint system securely, let the shoulder belt retract as far as it will go while firmly pushing down the child restraint system.



CAUTION

- After inserting the tab, make sure the tab and buckle are locked.
- Do not insert coins, clips, etc. in the buckle as this may prevent you from properly latching the tab and buckle.
- If the seat belt does not function normally, immediately contact your Toyota dealer.

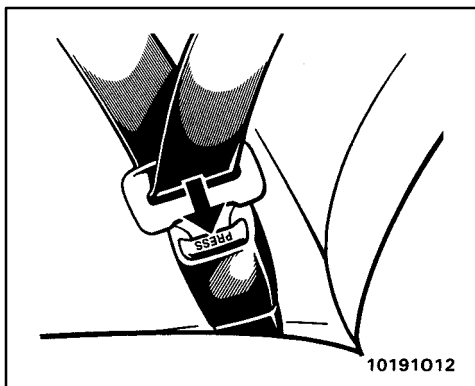


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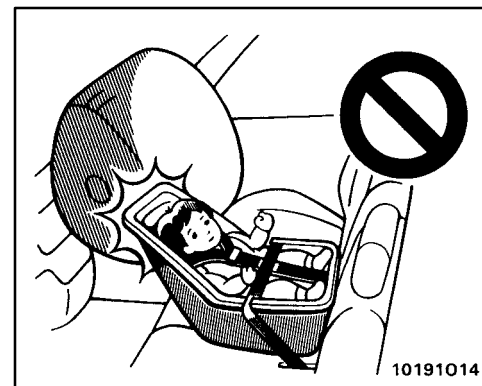
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4. To remove the child restraint system, press the buckle-release button and allow the belt to retract.



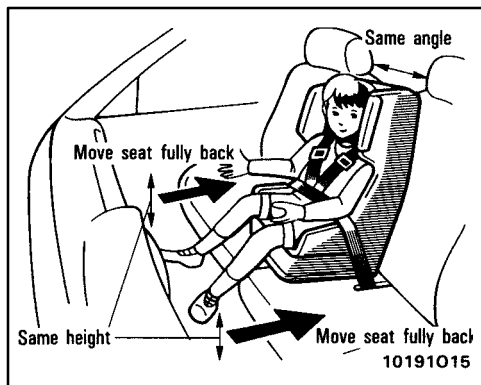
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(D) INSTALLATION ON FRONT SEAT CENTER

Do not use a child restraint system which requires use of a top strap in the front seat. A child restraint system which requires use of a top strap should only be installed in the rear seat.

When installing a child restraint system in the front seat center position, move the driver and passenger seats as far back as possible, set both seatbacks to the same angle as the back of the child restraint system, and set both seat cushions at the same height so that the child restraint system is securely restrained.

With the child restraint system installed, check that your driving position is satisfactory and that the child restraint system does not interfere with your driving.



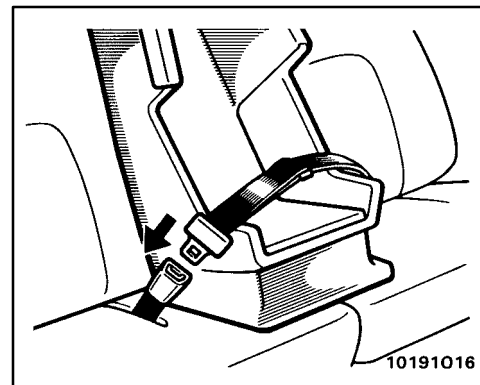
If your driving position is not satisfactory, or the child restraint system interferes with your driving, install it at another position.



CAUTION

- Ignoring the above instructions may result in a serious injury in case of an accident.
- Do not use a rear-facing child restraint system in the front seat because the force of the rapid inflation of the passenger airbag may cause severe injury to the child.

- When using a forward-facing child restraint system, move the driver and passenger seats as far back as possible, set both seat-backs to the same angle as the back of the child restraint system, set both seat cushions at the same height and make sure your driving position is satisfactory.

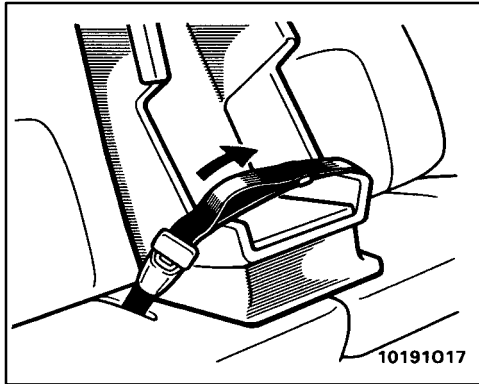


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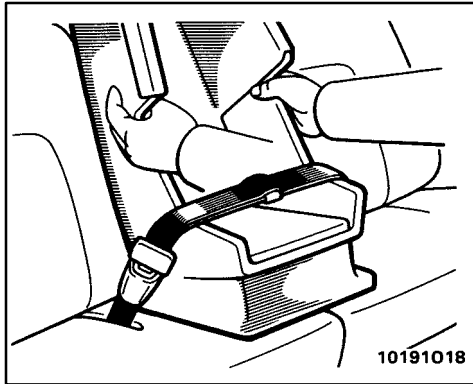


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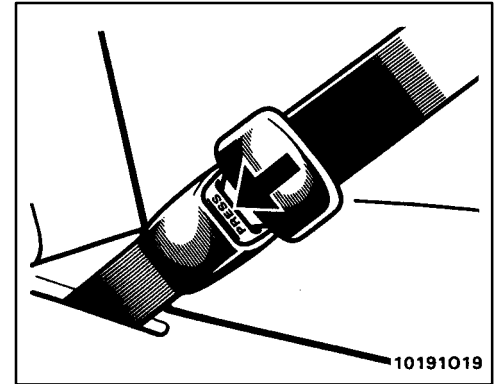
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2. To hold the child restraint system securely, tighten the belt by pulling its free end while firmly pushing down the child restraint system.



Make sure the seat belt is securely locked. Also make sure the child restraint system is secure by pushing and pulling it in different directions.



3. To remove the child restraint system, press the buckle-release button and unhook the top strap.