# **Child Safety Seat Checklist**

### Infant & Child Seats

- Rear-facing seat never in front of an airbag.
- Seatbelt or UAS strap holding seat tightly; seat can't move side to side more than 2.5 cm.
- Harness is snug can only fit one finger under strap; chestclip at armpit level.
- If using seat belt, seat belt is locked or locking clip used.

## Forward-facing Seat

- Tether strap used and tight.
- Top of harness straps is level or above shoulders.

#### **Booster Seat**

- No-back or high-back style.
- Child must be at least 40 lbs.
- Use booster until age 9 or 145 cm (4'9") tall.
- Must use shoulder/lap seatbelt, not lap belt alone.



For more information, contact Child Safety Link at 1-866-288-1388



# **NS Child Safety Seat Regulations**

[Motor Vehicle Act, Chapter 293, Section 175(3)(a)] No person shall operate a motor vehicle on a highway unless every passenger in the motor vehicle who is under sixteen years of age is secured in the prescribed manner in a child restraint system, where the passenger is of an age, height or weight for which such a system is prescribed. See regulations re. seatbelts c.293, s.175(8) for details summarized below.



Babies must use a rear-facing seat until they reach age 1 AND 22 lbs.



Never place a rear-facing seat in the front seat of a vehicle with airbags.



- Over 10 kg (22 lb) & Over 1 Year Old
- Must be in a car seat. May face forward, or face rear if seat has a higher than 10 kg (22 lb) rear-facing limit.



Over 18 kg (40 lb) & Under Age 9

A child must use a car seat or booster seat until they are at least 4'9" (145 cm) or age 9.