

# **CHILD SEAT INFORMATION**

Only forward-facing child seats can be safely installed in Meridian RV motorhomes

- All of our motorhomes (except our new B Class units in 2018) come equipped with lap belts and at least one tether with which to secure children in forward-facing child seats
- Rear-facing car seats and booster seats cannot be safely installed (because they cannot be attached to a tether/anchor), and therefore they are not permitted
- No children under 12 years old are permitted to ride in the front of the vehicle

**Meridian RV staff are not legally permitted to assist with the installation of car seats**

Meridian RV cannot tell parents what child restraints are best-suited for their children. All that we can do is advise on what is considered the minimum requirement for child restraint seats, and what our motorhomes can accommodate:

## **ICBC MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

## **MERIDIAN RV POLICY**

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Infants/Toddlers</b><br/>Until at least one year old<br/>AND 9 kg (20 lbs)</p>  | <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>Rear-Facing Car Seat</b></p> </div>     | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NOT PERMITTED</b></p> <p>The back of a rear-facing car seat cannot be secured to a tether.</p>  |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Toddlers/Preschool</b><br/>Older than one year<br/>AND between 9-18 kg (20 - 40 lbs)</p>  | <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>Forward-Facing Car Seat</b></p> </div> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>PERMITTED</b></p> <p>Secured with a lap belt and tether.</p>  |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Children Under 9:</b><br/>More than 18 kg (40 lbs)<br/>AND under nine years old<br/>OR 145 cm (4'9") tall</p> <p>It is more dangerous to use a booster seat with a lap belt, than it is to use a lap belt alone (see Motor Vehicle Act 36.06 for booster seats and seat belt assemblies).</p> | <div style="text-align: center;">  <p><b>Booster Seats</b></p> </div>          | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NOT PERMITTED</b></p> <p>Booster seats should only be used with 3-point seat belts, but like most motorhomes in North America, our units only come equipped with lap belts.</p> |

Car seat recommendations are always changing, and not always consistent. We encourage our customers travelling with children to educate themselves on the latest information regarding child seats if they are planning to travel in Canada. Here are some links that they can go to:

<http://www.icbc.com/brochures/Pages/child-car-seats.aspx>

[www.childseatinfo.ca](http://www.childseatinfo.ca)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/transport/road/child-car-seat-safety.html>

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