



Massachusetts Child Safety Seat Resource Guide

1) Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Checkpoints

CPS checkpoints help install child safety seats in automobiles. The checkpoints are *free* but at some checkpoints you must make an appointment. You must bring your child with you to be properly fitted.

Statewide:

- Call the Car Safe Line **1-800-CAR-SAFE (1-800-227-7233)** at the MA Department of Public Health or the Massachusetts Child Passenger Safety Hotline at **978-392-5956**.

2) Child Safety Seat Retailers

Discounted child safety seats:

- Call the Car Safe Line **1-800-CAR-SAFE (1-800-227-7233)** at the MA Department of Public Health to learn about *free* or *low-cost* child safety seats.

3) Safety Seat Recalls

Why are seats recalled? Recalls can be given for any failure to meet safety standards made by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

How do I know if my seat has been recalled?

Child safety seats come with a registration card. Fill out this card and send it back to the manufacturer. To see if your child safety seat has been recalled, go to www.carseat.org.

4) Internet Resources

The Injury Prevention and Control Program (IPCP). Located in the MA Department of Public Health. Call the Car Safe Line **(1-800-227-7233)** or www.mass.gov/dph/fch/injury.

Governor's Highway Safety Bureau. Call **617-725-3301** or go to www.mass.gov/ghsb.