



Frequently Asked Questions

Module 8

Rear-Facing Car Seats

Steps for Rear-Facing Car Seat Use – Did they change?

The order of steps for rear-facing car seat use has been updated to the following:

- Step 1: Selection
- Step 2: Direction
- Step 3: Location
- Step 4: Harness Adjustment and Fit
- Step 5: Installation

Steps 4 and 5 are swapped in order in the 2020 curriculum revision. The reasoning for this change is to remind students and Child Passenger Safety Technicians to teach the caregiver to adjust the harness to fit the child prior to teaching them to install the car seat. Realigning these steps avoids having to uninstall the car seat to make adjustments to the harness height and/or buckle strap location after installing the car seat. Placing the child in the car seat and tightening the harness on the child is incorporated as the final part of Step 5: Installation.

Clarification on Learn Practice Explain-Communications Skills

The third bullet point for the Learn Practice Explain-Communications Skills on *Technician Guide* page 8-3 differs from the third bullet point listed on the supporting PowerPoint slide 7.

- *Technician Guide* page 8-3: The caregiver says, “The state law says my son can turn forward at age two. Now that he is two, I want to turn him around.” (Child is within height and weight limits to remain rear-facing.)
- PowerPoint slide 7: The caregiver says, “My child is tall and his legs hit the back of the vehicle seat.”

Additionally, the third bullet on *Technician Guide* page 8-3 is included as a DO point in *Instructor Guide* page 8-20.

To correct this, move the DO point from *Instructor Guide* page 8-20 to *Instructor Guide* page 8-12. This will provide the opportunity to cover the three bullet points on PowerPoint slide 7 as well as addressing the three bullet points on *Technician Guide* page 8-3.