

Basic Guidelines for Child Restraint Distribution Program

CPSTs shall screen parents and caregivers at inspection or check sites using following parameters:

1. Recipient must
 - a. Be a resident of Idaho and provide proof of residency (e.g., driver's license, student ID, Military ID, utility bill)
 - b. Be a parent, caregiver or legal guardian of child
 - c. Not have existing proper restraint (cannot request second restraint for additional vehicle/s)
 - d. Must be income eligible through programs: WIC, SNAP (food stamp), TAFI, Medicaid, child on CHIP, or show pay stubs/income statement which reflect adherence to WIC income guidelines
 - Verification for WIC, SNAP, TAFI, CHIP and/or Medicaid accomplished through state-issued program cards
2. Prior to receiving restraint, Recipient must
 - a. Sign program's Waiver of Liability release form
 - b. Be trained by active participation in restraint inspection and proper installation process, or by attending a Car Restraint Installation and Use Class (both events presented by certified CPST or CPS Instructor)
 - c. Demonstrate to CPST how to properly install the restraint
3. ***Child or parent/caregiver should be present at inspection site***
4. ***Vehicle (that restraint will be installed) should be present at inspection site***
5. May request donation, minimum amount not specified (*donation may be zero based on recipient's current financial situation*).
6. Number of restraints distributed is one per child, not one per family
7. Inform recipient that restraint CANNOT BE SOLD
8. All grant-funded restraints must be labeled with Towards Zero Deaths/ NOT FOR RESALE sticker. It is recommended that restraints are also marked with permanent black marker with date and name of group conducting inspection (this would deter possible return to store).

At the discretion of the CPST, Technician may elect to distribute a restraint to prevent a child from leaving an inspection site improperly restrained, regardless of economic or social status (Examples: parent just lost job, lack of insurance policy to replace restraint involved in crash, caregiver has temporary custody of child). If a child is in need of a restraint, no caregiver or parent should be turned away because of they cannot donate any money.

If parent or caregiver elects to leave inspection site with child unrestrained or improperly restrained, CPST is encouraged to report circumstance to local law enforcement agency.

Acronyms

CPST – Child Passenger Safety Technician

WIC - Women, Infants, and Children

SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

TAFI - Temporary Assistance for Families in Idaho

CHIP - Children's Health Insurance Program

Parent Information Sheet

_____ had their car seat checked today!

Things your certified technician changed or modified to insure best practice:

Recommendations for parents or caregivers:

This seat expires in _____

This seat will be outgrown when your child reaches;

FORWARD FACING _____

REAR FACING _____

Your certified technician today was: _____

This car seat check was provided free of charge by the Inland Northwest Child Passenger Safety Team and the Officer Newbill Kid's Safety Fair!

Never leave a child or pet unattended in a motor vehicle, awful things can happen!

Please do not use place your child's infant carrier on top of a shopping cart, they are unsteady and prone to falling off.