



# Can I Use a Second Hand Child Car Restraint?

## Fact Sheet

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In Western Australia, when looking to sell, donate or gift a second hand child car restraint, there are important items you should check first. There are also a number of items it is suggested you ask and show the recipient.



### Is it worthwhile selling, donating or gifting?

- Has the child car restraint been in a moderate to severe crash?
- Is the child car restraint over 10 years old?
- Is the child car restraint from overseas?
- Are there signs of damage, stress or deterioration?
- Are there parts missing from the child car restraint?

If you answer **YES** to any of the above questions, it is recommended that the seat is not passed on to others.

### Before selling, donating or gifting

Before selling, donating or gifting, you may consider the following:

- Cleaning the child car restraint—ensure you follow our 'cleaning guide' factsheet and the child car restraint manual's instructions.
- Downloading and printing the manual for the recipient if the original is not available.
- Ensure you include all of the original parts the child car restraint was supplied with.
- Check who the child car restraint is suitable for—this can usually be seen on the side of the seat or in the instruction manual.

### Things that are worth asking the recipient

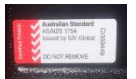
When selling, donating or gifting a child car restraint, it is recommended that you ask the recipient the following:

- Is the seat being received, the correct type of seat for the age and size of their child.
- Is the seat being received suitable for their vehicle.

### Things that are worth showing the recipient

To help ensure the recipient is aware of all the possible information available for the child car restraint they are receiving, it is recommended that they are shown the following:

- The Australian Standards sticker.
- The date of manufacture sticker or date stamp.
- The child car restraint manual or suggest that it may be available online through the manufacturer
- Suggest that they inspect the child car restraint for signs of damage, stress or deterioration.



### If it is not suitable for selling, donating or gifting

Child car restraints that are not suitable for selling, donating or gifting, should be disposed of in a way that ensures they can not be re-used. This may include:

- Cutting and removing the top tether,
- Cutting and removing the internal harness,
- Removing and destroying the cover and padding,
- Cutting, breaking and/ or separating the plastic shell.

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