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SNUGRIDE® SNUGLOCKTM INFANT CAR SEAT BASE

Read This Instruction Manual

Do not install or use this child restraint until you read, understand and follow the instructions in this manual and the warnings on the car seat.

FAILURE TO PROPERLY
USE THIS
CHILD RESTRAINT
INCREASES THE
RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY
OR DEATH IN
A SUDDEN STOP OR
CRASH.

KEEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR FUTURE USE.



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1-A Quick Guide to Your Manual

This base is compatible with any Graco[®] Click Connect car seat.

Get to Know Your Car Seat Base

Review section 2-A to see all of the features of this infant car seat base.

What Seating Location Should I Use?

The best seating location for this infant car seat base is one that:

- Is recommended by your vehicle owner's manual, and
- Results in a secure installation of this car seat base.



Never place a child rear-facing in a seating position with an active front air bag.

Review section 4 of this manual AND your vehicle owner's manual.

Which Installation Method Should I Use?

This infant car seat base can be installed in your vehicle using either the vehicle seat belt *OR* the Universal Anchorage System (UAS). Both are equally safe to use. DO NOT USE BOTH AT THE SAME TIME.

When Installing Base

UAS System

UAS consists of lower anchors, which are built-in to your vehicle, and UAS connectors that are built-in your car seat.



Review section 3-B of this manual AND your vehicle owner's manual.

Vehicle Seat Belt

There are two types of vehicle seat belts that can be used. Lap/Shoulder Seat Belt or Lap Only Seat Belt.





Review section 3-C of this manual AND your vehicle owner's manual.



Did You Do Everything Correctly?

Base Does Not Move More Than 2.5 cm (1 in) At The Belt Path

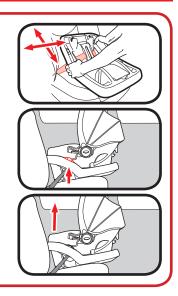
Review section 3.

Car Seat Level to Ground

Review sections 2-D and 3.

Car Seat Is Properly Attached To Base

Review section 2-C.



1-B Before You Begin

Your child's safety depends on you. No car seat can guarantee protection from injury in every situation, but proper use helps reduce the risk of serious injury or death.

Even if this car seat base seems easy to figure out on your own, you must follow the detailed instructions in this instruction manual to ensure the steps below are performed correctly.

Register This Child Restraint

Please fill out the prepaid registration postcard attached to the harness and mail it in today or register online at www.gracobaby.ca

Child restraints could be recalled for safety reasons. You must register this restraint to be reached in a recall. Send your name, address, and the restraint's model number and manufacturing date to:

Newell Industries Canada Inc. P.O. Box 20090 Oaktown Plaza, Oakville, ON L6K 3Y7 or call 1-800-345-4109

For recall information, call the Customer Service in Canada at www. gracobaby.ca or at 1-800-345-4109.



For future reference or if you change addresses, record the model name, model number, date of manufacture, and purchase date of this car seat base below. You can find this information either on the registration card if you still have it or on the date label located on the base.

Model Name	
Model Number	
Date of Manufacture _	
Date of Purchase	

If You Need Help

Please contact our Customer Service Department with any questions you may have concerning parts, use, or maintenance. When you contact us, please have your product's model number and date of manufacture ready so that we may help you efficiently. These numbers can be found on the base.

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Certification

This car seat base meets or exceeds all applicable requirements of the Canada Motor Vehicle Safety Standards 213 and 213.1 when used with a Graco Click Connect carrier in motor vehicles.

Aircraft Installation



This child restraint's **base** is NOT certified for use in aircraft.

Base Useful Life

STOP using this base and throw it away 7 years after the date of manufacture. Look for date of manufacture label on the base.

Graco Children's Products Inc. advises against loaning or passing along a base unless you know the complete history of the product. We also advise against purchasing a car seat base second hand.

Vehicle Seat Protection

Protect vehicle seat. Use a car seat mat, towel, or thin blanket under and behind the base

Warm Weather Use

Car seat parts can get very hot in the sun or warm weather. To avoid burns, always check before putting child in car seat.





1-C Safety Warnings

No car seat can guarantee protection from injury in every situation, but proper use helps reduce the risk of serious injury or death. READ THIS MANUAL CAREFULLY.

AWARNING!

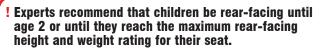
Failure to follow these instructions and child restraint's labels can result in child striking the vehicle's interior during a sudden stop or crash.



NEVER PLACE THIS CHILD RESTRAINT REAR-FACING IN A VEHICLE SEATING LOCATION THAT HAS AN ACTIVE FRONT AIR BAG.

If an air bag inflates, it can hit the child and car seat with great force and cause serious injury or death to your child.

- ! Review your vehicle owner's manual for more information about air bags and car seat use.
- ! If your vehicle does not have a back seat, review your vehicle owner's manual.



- ! Select a suitable location for the base in your vehicle.
- ! Secure base with a vehicle seat belt or UAS that is properly routed as shown in this manual.
- ! Vehicle seat belt system MUST hold base securely. Not all vehicle seat belts can be used with a car seat.
- ! If vehicle seat belt does not hold base securely, read "Vehicle Seat Belts" section 4-E and your vehicle owner's manual.
- ! Always secure car seat/base with UAS or a vehicle seat belt, even when unoccupied. In a crash, an unsecured car seat can injure passengers.
- ! DO NOT use base if it is damaged or missing parts.
- ! If base is in a crash, it must be replaced. DO NOT use it again! A crash can cause unseen damage and using it again could result in serious injury or death.
- ! DO NOT use accessories or parts other than those provided by Graco. Their use could alter the performance of the base.
- ! DO NOT remove UAS system from base. If using vehicle seat belt to secure base, UAS connectors must be stored.

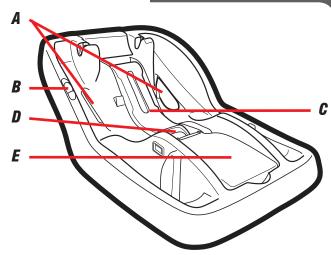


- ! Rear-facing base must be properly leveled:
 - Too reclined can result in injury or ejection.
 - Too upright can result in breathing difficulties.

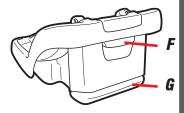


- ! Never attach two UAS connectors to one vehicle lower anchor point unless specifically allowed by the vehicle manufacturer.
- ! Do not use both the vehicle seat belt and UAS strap at the same time.
- ! This restraint system may only be used in these classes of vehicles: passenger cars, multi-purpose passenger vehicles and trucks that have vehicle lap/ shoulder belts and tether anchors.

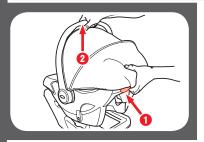
2-A Base Features



- A Belt Guides
- **B** Level Indicator
- C SnugLock™ Lock-Off
- D SnugLock™ Lock-Off Release Lever
- E Instruction Manual and UAS Storage
- F Base Recline Lever
- **G** Base Recline Foot



2-B Remove Car Seat from Base

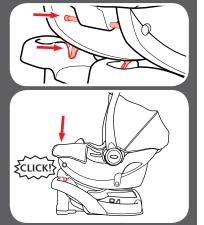


1. To Remove Car Seat from Base

From the back of the car seat, squeeze the base release handle and then lift the car seat out of the base.



2-C Attach Car Seat to Base



1. Attaching Car Seat To Base

Align the locking bar at the front of the car seat with the locks in the base. Set car seat in the base. Push down on the front of the car seat. You will hear a "click" when it is locked.

Pull up on the front corners of the seat to make sure it is locked.

2-D Recline the Base

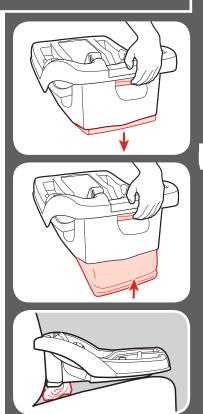
Base Has 4 Recline Positions

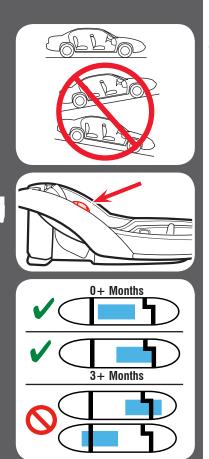
Squeeze on the base recline lever and lift the base to extend the foot.

Squeeze on the base recline lever and lower the base to retract the foot

Check the level indicator for appropriate install. (See Next Page)

If the blue level indicator is still not completely inside the clear area for your infant's age when the foot is completely extended, then retract the foot and place a rolled towel under the foot until the blue level indicator is inside the clear area.





When Reading The Level Indicator

Vehicle **MUST** be on level ground.

Use corrected age for preemies.

- If the blue indicator is in the smaller area between the black lines, the restraint is level for infants 0+ months in age.
- If blue indicator is in the larger partially notched area, the restraint is level for a child 3+ months in age.
- If any blue appears outside the black lines, the child restraint is NOT level. You must adjust your recline position.

2 Features

2-E Choosing Vehicle Seat Location

Review your vehicle owner's manual for seating locations. Review section 4 for additional information.

Some vehicles have specific requirements for where the car seat can be installed. Be sure to check your vehicle owner's manual for all available seating positions.

According to accident statistics, the safest place for your child in any vehicle is the back seat. The center of the back seat can be the safest during a possible side impact.



AWARNING!



NEVER place this child restraint rear-facing in a vehicle seating location that has an active front air bag.

In the event there is no back seat, review your vehicle owner's manual to see how to use your infant child restraint.

2-F Choosing UAS or Seat Belts

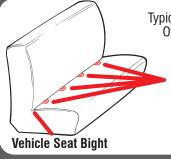
This base can be installed in your vehicle using either the vehicle seat belt OR the UAS system. Both systems are equally safe to use. DO NOT USE BOTH AT THE SAME TIME. Review section 4 for additional information.

2-G What is UAS?



UAS consists of lower anchors, which are built-in to your vehicle, and connectors that are built-in to your base. Lower anchors are used INSTEAD of the vehicle's seat belt to secure the base to the vehicle.

Review your vehicle's owner manual for exact location and use. Review section 4 for additional information.



Typical seat in a passenger vehicle. Other vehicle types may have different anchor locations.

> Vehicle Lower Anchor Points

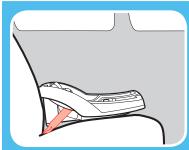




3-A Rear-Facing Safe Use Checklist

Rear-Facing*:

- Base MUST be rearfacing in the vehicle back seat.
- Make sure UAS strap or vehicle seat belt is routed through the rearfacing belt path, marked with a blue label.
- Install this base tightly in your vehicle. Base should not move at the belt path more than 2.5 cm (1 in) from side to side and front to back.
- Make sure to check the level indicator or level line for proper recline.



UAS Strap



Vehicle Lap/Shoulder Seat Belt



3 Real Facing



Vehicle Lap Only Seat Belt

Note: Preterm or low birth weight infants may be at special risk in a vehicle or aircraft. These infants may suffer breathing issues if improperly reclined in a car seat. Use the corrected age for preemies. Graco advises that you have your physician or hospital staff evaluate your infant and recommend the proper car seat or car bed before you and your infant leave the hospital.





NEVER place this child restraint rear-facing in a vehicle seating

location that has an active front air bag.

*Experts recommend that children ride rear-facing until the age of 2 or until they reach the maximum rear-facing height or weight rating for their car seat.



3-B Install With Base Rear-Facing With UAS Strap

Review your vehicle owner's manual for UAS location and use.

1. Place Base in Back Seat of the Vehicle

Place the base flat on the vehicle seat. Push it back until the front of the base touches the vehicle seat back. Center the base between the lower UAS anchors.

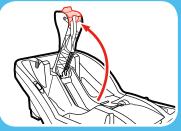
If allowed by your Vehicle Owner's Manual, the center seating position may be used if the anchor spacing is 28 cm (11 in) or greater.













2. Remove the UAS Connectors from Storage Location.

Open the UAS storage door and pull out the UAS strap.

Close the Door.

3. Open the SnugLock™ Arm.

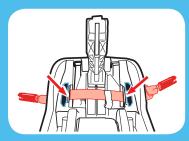
Push in the release lever and open the lock-off.

4. Thread UAS
Strap Through the
Rear-Facing Belt
Path Marked With a
Blue Label

5. Make sure the strap is threaded above the notches near the lock-off.

6. Extend the UAS Strap

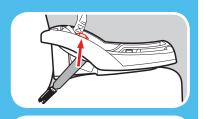
Extend the UAS strap to its maximum length by pressing the gray button and pulling on the strap.

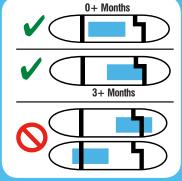


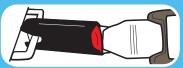














7. Check the Level Indicator

Vehicle MUST be on level ground

To recline, review section 2-D.

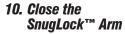
8. Attach UAS Connectors to Vehicle's Lower UAS Anchors

UAS strap should lay as flat as possible and not be twisted.

9. Remove the Slack

Press down firmly in the top of the base while pulling on the free end of the UAS strap to remove all the slack.

Do not pull on the strap with excessive force.



Close the lock-off until you hear a "click".





AWARNING!

Keep hands away from the lock-off area when closing the lock-off.

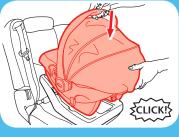




11. Test For Tightness

Grab the sides of the base at the belt path, push and pull the base from side to side and front to back.

If the base moves less than 2.5 cm (1 in), it is tight enough.



12. Attach Car Seat to Base

Place car seat into the base. Push down on the front of the car seat and handle until you hear a "click".

Test to make sure the car seat is attached by pulling up on the front corners of car seat.





13. Check the Level Indicator

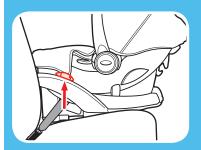
Vehicle **MUST** be on level ground.

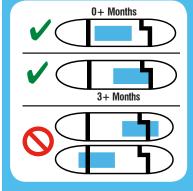
Check the level indicator with child in the child restraint.

If you make any adjustments, recheck for tightness again.

Grab the sides of the base at the belt path, push and pull the base from side to side and front to back.

If the base moves less than 2.5 cm (1 in), it is tight enough.







Is Everything Correct?









Base Does Not Move More Than 2.5 cm (1 in) At The Belt Path

Car Seat Is Properly Attached To Base

With Vehicle On Level Ground, Check the Level Indicator



3-C Install With Base Rear-Facing With Vehicle Seat Belt

To store the UAS strap, see section 4-C

1. Place Base in Back Seat of the Vehicle

Place the base flat on the vehicle seat. Push it back until the front of the base touches the vehicle seat back.



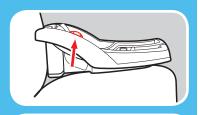
Push in the release lever and open the lock-off.

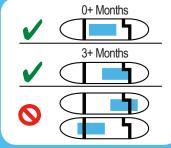












3. Check the Level Indicator

Vehicle **MUST** be on level ground.

To recline, review section 2-D.



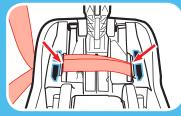
Review your vehicle owner's manual for vehicle seat belt use

4. Route the Vehicle Seat Belt

Thread the lap portion of the vehicle seat belt through the rear-facing belt path (marked with a blue label) and buckle it. The seat belt should lay as flat as possible and not be twisted.















6. Tighten the Vehicle Seat Belt

Press down firmly on the top of the base while pulling on the shoulder belt to remove the slack.

Do not pull on the strap with excessive force.

7. Close the SnugLock™ Arm

Close the lock-off until you hear a "click".



AWARNING!

Keep hands away from the lock-off area when closing the lock-off.

8. Test For Tightness

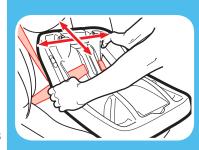
Grab the sides of the base where the seat belt is and push and pull the base from side to side and front to back.

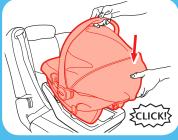
If the base moves less than 2.5 cm (1 in), it is tight enough.



Place car seat into the base. Push down on the front of the car seat and handle until you hear a "click".

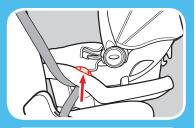
Test to make sure the car seat is attached by pulling up on the front corners of car seat.

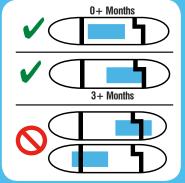












10. Check the Level Indicator

Vehicle **MUST** be on level ground.

Check the level indicator with child in the child restraint.

If you make any adjustments, recheck for tightness again.

Grab the sides of the base at the belt path, push and pull the base from side to side and front to back.

If the base moves less than 2.5 cm (1 in), it is tight enough.

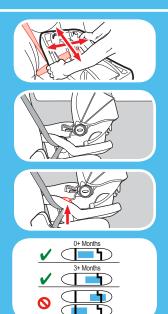


Is Everything Correct?

Base Does Not Move More Than 2.5 cm (1 in) At The Belt Path

Car Seat Is Properly Attached To Base

With vehicle on level ground check the level indicator





4-A Additional UAS Information

This base can be installed in your vehicle using either the vehicle seat belt OR the UAS system. Both systems are equally safe to use. DO NOT USE BOTH AT THE SAME TIME.

The UAS system allows you to securely attach your base in your car without using the vehicle seat belt and possibly to get a better fit. All 2003 and newer model year vehicles are required to have a UAS system, although some manufacturers began including UAS earlier. Some vehicle owner manuals use the term ISOFIX or LATCH to identify the UAS system.

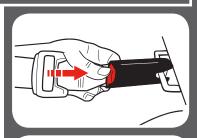
Only use UAS in seating positions recommended by your vehicle manufacturer. Review your vehicle owner's manual for more information.

4-B How to Remove UAS

1. Press and Hold UAS
Release Button



See section 4-C to store the UAS Strap.





4 Vehicle Information

4-C Storing The UAS Strap







1. Store UAS Connectors

Lift the storage lid and place the UAS connectors inside the storage compartment

Close the storage lid. Make sure the UAS

Make sure the UAS retaining strap goes through the corner of the storage lid.

4-D Unsafe Vehicle Seats

Never install this base in side-facing or rear-facing vehicle seats.





4-E Vehicle Seat Belts

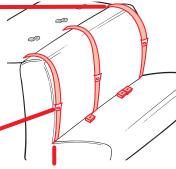
Review your vehicle owner's manual for vehicle seat belt use

This base can be installed using a vehicle seat belt. To do this, you will need to change the seat belt to a locked mode for use with car seats. With some vehicle seat belts, this is done with the latch plate; with other vehicle seat belts, this is done with the retractor.

Vehicle Seat Belt Terms

Retractor

A device that winds up the unused vehicle seat belt. It is often hidden inside the panels on the walls of the vehicle or in the vehicle seat back.



Latch Plate

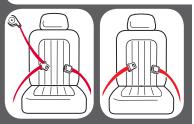
The male end of the seat belt with the silver tongue.

Seat Bight

The crease where the vehicle seat back and seat bottom meet.

Identify Your Seat Belt Type

There are two different types of vehicle seat belts that can be used with this base:



Lap/Shoulder Seat Belt 3 connections points.

Lap Only Seat Belt 2 connection points.

The following types of vehicle seat belts **CANNOT** be used safely with this base:



Lap Belt with Motorized Shoulder Belt



Lap Belt or Shoulder Belt Mounted on Door

Belts Forward of the Seat Bight



Some vehicles you may not get a secure fit. Read both your vehicle and car seat manuals.



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Replacement Parts

To purchase parts or accessories in Canada, please contact us at the following:

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