

Parents: Stay up to date on laws that impact families



We know that each stage of parenting brings unique challenges and uncertainties to navigate. That's why, as part of our commitment to supporting parents throughout the county, we want to make sure you have information on new and updated state laws that may impact your family.

We have highlighted some key pieces of legislation that were recently signed into law below. To learn more, visit leg.colorado.gov/bills and type in the bill number you want to learn more about in the search field.

Updated Child Passenger Safety Laws

HB24-1055 updates Colorado's child passenger safety law to reflect the latest research-based recommendations on car seat, booster seat and seat belt use for children. The updates will ensure that laws keep pace with evolving best practices for car seat and booster seat use, based on your child's age and weight. To view a chart of the new age and weight requirements, visit the Colorado Department of Transportation website (www.codot.gov) and search for Child Passenger Safety.



Rear Facing

- Under 2 years of age, and less than 40 pounds
- Must be in back seat if one is available
- Can continue to rear-face beyond 2 years of age and 40 pounds if child restraint allows it



Front Facing

- Under 2 years of age, and over 40 pounds
- 2-4 years of age, and at least 20 pounds
- Must be in back seat if one is available
- Can continue to forward-face beyond 4 years of age and 40 pounds if child restraint allows it



Booster

- 4-9 years of age, AND at least 40 pounds
- Must be in back seat if one is available
- Can continue to use a booster seat beyond 9 years of age



Seat Belt

- 9-18 years of age
- Must fit in seat belt properly