

PER I TURISTI STRANIERI: GUIDARE IN ITALIA



CARRYING CHILDREN SAFELY

Children up to 1.5 m in height must always be placed in an approved restraint system or seated in a child seat suitable for their weight. Children over 1.5 m in height must wear ordinary adult seat belts.

The driver, or the adult accompanying the minor, is responsible for compliance regarding the use of an appropriate restraint system/child seat or seat belts.

FINE for non-compliance (article 172, paragraph 10, Italian Highway Code): 81 to 326 Euros.
PENALTY POINTS on driving licence: - 5 out of 20 full starting points.

CHILDREN TRANSPORTATION SAFETY TIPS:

1) Using the most appropriate child restraint:

- suitable for the child's weight;
- bearing the European type-approval label (ECE R44-04; ECE R129 which takes into account not only the weight but also the height of the child).

2) Fitting the child restraint properly:

- fully comply with the manufacturer's instructions;
- if the car is equipped with an Isofix system the child restraint is more safely installed, being directly and rigidly attached to the car structure;
- it is forbidden to fit the child restraint rearward facing on the front seat, unless the airbag is deactivated (article 172, paragraph 5, Italian Highway Code).

3) Placing the child correctly in the child restraint:

- make sure that the diagonal belt passes across child's shoulder rather than neck;
- make sure you fasten seat belts correctly so as to secure the child in the seat;
- take off child's fluffy garments before placing him/her in the seat.

Please note that a collision at 15 km/h (9.321 mph) can be fatal for a child not secured with appropriate child restraint. In a crash at 56 km/h (34.7984 mph), a child weighing 15 kg (33, 07 lbs) develops a striking force equal to 185 kg (407, 85 lbs). No matter how tightly you try to hold the child, he/she would be ripped from your arms.



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GROUPS OF RESTRAINTS

Weight / Age	Group	Safest seat for the restraint system	Safest position for the restraint system
Up to 10 kg <i>(about 9 months old)</i>	Group 0	Rear seat	Rearward facing
Up to 13 kg <i>(about 12-14 months old)</i>	Group 0+	Rear or front seat	Rearward facing Airbag must be deactivated
9 to 18 kg <i>(about 9 months to 4 years old)</i>	Group 1	Rear or front seat	Only forward facing, after deactivating the airbag
15 to 25 kg <i>(about 3 to 6 years old)</i>	Group 2	Front or rear seat	Forward facing
22 to 36 kg <i>(about 5 to 12 years old)</i>	Group 3	Front or rear seat	Forward facing

CHILDREN ON MOTORCYCLES

Only one passenger aged at least 5 can be carried on a motorcycle, provided the child can seat comfortably balanced and wear an EU homologated helmet.

FINE for non-compliance of age limit (article 170, paragraph 6bis, Italian Highway Code): 161 to 647 Euros.

PENALTY POINTS on driving licence: 0

FINE for non-compliance of compulsory helmet for the child aged at least 5 (article 171, paragraph 2, Italian Highway Code): 81 to 326 Euros.

PENALTY POINTS on driving licence: - 5 out of 20 full starting points

