

Check it Fits Service



The Road Safety Authority has introduced 'Check it Fits' in response to a frightening statistic that shows that as many as 4 out of 5 child car seats are incorrectly fitted. Incorrect fitting can result in serious injury or a fatality in the event of a collision.

The RSA 'Check it Fits' Service is a full-time, nationwide, free, expert service which aims to put parents', grandparents' and guardians' minds at ease that their child's car seat is safely and securely fitted in their car.

A survey of 5,000 checks, which were recorded at the RSA's 'Check it Fits' Service, showed that over 4,000 of the child car seats checked needed some type of adjustment. Worryingly, most of those seats required a major adjustment. One hundred and fifty of the seats checked were condemned – they were not fit for purpose, meaning they could have caused injury or even death if there was a collision.

The Check it Fits service is quick, easy and free of charge. It's travelling around the country, and our experts will advise on how to fix any problem. They will demonstrate how to fit the restraints correctly and answer any questions you might have.

It is not necessary to have the child in the car seat as the experts can still check if the car seat is safe and securely installed. However, it is beneficial to have the child present to ensure the child is checked in the seat and that it is correctly adjusted.