

Seatbelt laws for taxis and private hire vehicles

Taxis and private hire cars

Children under 3 years old

If carried in the front seat, an appropriate child restraint **must** be used (the adult seat belt is not sufficient).

If carried in the rear seat, an appropriate child restraint **must** be used, if available.

If an appropriate restraint is fitted in the front of the car, but not the rear, children under 3 years old **must** sit in the front and use that restraint. (Remember, you could move the restraint from the front to the rear if you wish, and you should do this if you are using a rearward-facing baby seat and there is a passenger airbag fitted).

Children Aged 3 to 11 years and under 1.35 metres tall

If carried in the front seat, an appropriate child restraint **must** be worn if available. If not, an adult seat belt **must** be worn.

If carried in the rear seat, an appropriate child restraint **must** be worn if available. If not, an adult seat belt **must** be worn, if available.

If an appropriate restraint or seat belt is fitted in the front of the car, but not in the rear, children between 3 to 11 years old and under 1.35 metres tall **must** use that restraint or seat belt. (Remember, you could move the restraint from the front to the rear if you wish).

Children Aged 12 or 13 years or younger children 1.35 metres or more in height

If carried in the front or rear seat, an adult seat belt **must** be worn if available.

Passengers Over 14 years old

If carried in the front or rear seat, an adult seat belt **must** be worn if available.

For further information please contact the licensing office on 01827 719217.