SYNTHESIS OF REPLIES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE ON CHILD RESTRAINTS (LEGISLATION)

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ECE	Child re legislatio			e of legisla (10 a) aint legisl			down of	r	quirements restraint ty d facing (Fl r seat	ype (10 b))	-		buses/ta to car restr	rivers in xis obliged ry child aints? [1]
COUNTRIES			pu			Age/w bai	_	Age/we	ight band	Age/wei	ght band	Age/w bar	_		
			for Front and Rear	for Front	for Rear	Type of restraint	Seating position	Type of restraint	Seating position	Type of restraint	Seating position	Type of restraint	Seating position	In buses	In taxis
Albania	X		Yes 8/1999				0 – 12 Approved type; Front & Rear								
Azerbaijan			No	No	No									No	No
Bulgaria			No	No	No									No	No
Canada		X		Not recom- mended	Yes 1982	0-1 Rear-facing		1 – 5 Forward- facing	Front: not recom. Rear: Yes	5 – 8 Booster seat	Front: not recom. Rear: Yes	8 – 13 3-point belt	Front: not recom. Rear: Yes	No	No
Croatia					Yes 08/04			0 – 5 Forward- facing	Rear: Yes						
Czech Republic		X <u>1</u> /	Yes 2000											No	No
Denmark		X	Yes 12/92			0 - 2 Box or chair	-	3 - 6 chair						No	No

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Estonia	X			Yes 1995	Yes 7/96	Group 0 < 10 kg (until 9 months) RWCRS Group 0+ < 13 kg (until 18 months): RWCRS/FF CRS	Front & Rear	Group 1 (8 months to 3 ½ years) 9 – 18 kg: FFCRS/ booster seat	Front & Rear	Group 2 (3 - 7 years) 15 – 25 kg: FFCRS/ booster seat	Rear	Group 3 (6 - 12 years) 22 - 36 kg: FFCRS/ booster seat 2/	Front & Rear	No	No
Finland	X		Yes				0 – 12 and <150 cm Appropriate restraint in relation with child's height and weight. Children 0-2 must travel in rear if front lacks adequate restraint.						No	No	
France	X		Yes 1992			Group 0 0-13 kg: RWCRS	Front & Rear	Group 1 9-18 kg FFCRS	Rear Front: exception	Groups 2 & 3 booster	Rear Front: exception		<u></u>	No	No
Georgia			No	No	No									No	No
Germany	X		Yes 1993				airbag	9 months - 4years/ 9 – 18 kg GI/RWCRS or FFCRS		2 - 6 years 15 - 25 kg GII/ FFCRS		6 - 12 years 22 – 36kg GIII/ FFCRS		No	Yes
Hungary	X		Yes 2002				0 – 12 and <150 cm						No	No	

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Ireland	X National		Yes 1991				——							No	No
Israel	X			Yes 1984	Yes 1987	0 – 1 year	Infant seat: Rear or Front: without passenger airbag	2 – 3 years	Toddler's seat: Rear or Front: without passenger airbag	4 – 8 years	Rear Booster seat	> 9 years	Rear Seat belt	No	No
Kazakhstan		X	No	No	No	0-12	Front							No	No
Kyrgyzstan			No	No	No									No	No
Latvia	X		Yes 1996											Yes <u>3</u> /	Yes
Luxembourg	X		Yes 1992			< 3 years ECE No. 44	Front & Rear Front: RWCRS without passenger airbag or if airbag is de- activated	3 –12 years and < 150cm ECE No.	Front					No	No
Malta	X		Yes 2003			0 – 9 months baby seat	Front	6 months – 4 years child seat	Front & Rear	6 months – 6 years booster seat	Front & Rear	4-11 years booster cushion	Front & Rear	No	No

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Netherlands	X			Yes 1992	Yes 1.05		Т	ype approv	ved child rest	raints for w	eight group			No	No
Norway	X	-	Yes 1998			$0-4$ years all types $\underline{4}$ /		> 4 years 4/ Restraint if available. If not, seatbelt						No	Yes <u>4</u> /
Portugal	X	-	Yes 1998				Appropriate restraint in relation with child's height and weight. RWCRS without passenger airbag								No
Russian Federation	X			Yes 1993		0 – 12 years Any child restraint	Front							No	No
Serbia & Montenegro			No	No	No									No	No
Slovak Republic			No	No	No									No	No
Slovenia	X		Yes 1998											Yes	Yes
Spain	X		Yes 2004			0-9 months carry cots 0-18 months RWCRS	carry cots 9 months 6 years Front & Rear 3-6 years Front & Rear 6-12 years Front & F							No	No

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Switzerland	X		Yes, 11/2000			0 – 6 years Child restraint	Front & Rear	7 – 12 years Child restraint or seat belt	Front & Rear					No	No
Turkey	<u>5</u> /	<u>5</u> /	No	No	No									No	No
Ukraine			No	No	No									No	No
United Kingdom	X			Yes 1989		0 - 2 years RWCRS or FFCRS for size of child	Front (mandatory)& Rear (mandatory if available)	3 - 11 years FFCRS for size of child or seat belt	Front (mandatory) & Rear (mandatory if available)					No	No
USA (Law varies from State to State) V= Various		Yes <u>6</u> /	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	No	No

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TOTAL 33 replies	19 Federa Nation: 5 State/ Provinc 9 no answ N/A	al law	For Fron 17 yes (fro 9 no 7 no answ For Fron 6 yes (fro 10 no (1 n 15 no answ For Rear 6 yes (fro 9 no 16 no answ	t m 1984 to ot recomn wers or N/ m 1982 to	to 2004) A 1995) nended) A 2005)		Refer Refer	rence to rence to rence to cous or no	age only: weight on age and w age and si	led answer 11 countr ly: 2 coun reight: 2 ize: 2 cour y specified rs or N/A	ies tries countries atries	ries		N/A In taxi 4 yes 27 no	nswer or

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Burundi			No	No	No		No	o legislatio	n exists for	child restr	aint devices.		•	No	No
Cameroon			No	No	No		No	o legislatio	n exists for	child restr	aint devices.			No	No
Central African Republic			No	No	No		No legislation exists for child restraint devices.								No
Egypt	X			Yes 2000			Under 7 years old: Forbidden to ride in front seat								No
Mauritius			No	No	No		No legislation exists for child restraint devices.								No
Morocco	X Law in progress		No	No	No									No	No
TOTAL 6 replies	National Nat	1 yes (2000)					1 Forbidden to ride in front seat 4 no legislation 1 no answer or N/A								

Footnotes:

- 1/ Czech legislation makes child-restraint use mandatory on motorways only.
- <u>2</u>/ <u>Estonia</u>: Group III (6-12 yrs) 22 36 kgs: FFCRS; booster seat Front and Rear.
- 3/ Latvia: Since 1 July 2004, there is no exemption for buses and taxis from child-restraint use.
- <u>4</u>/ <u>Norway</u>: Legislation under revision, inter alia, due to Directive 2003/20.
- <u>Turkey</u>: 18 June 1995: Road Traffic Law of the Turkish Republic is enacted making mandatory use of seatbelts (as equipment designed for protection during travel) only in front seats and only in non-urban areas. Children under 10 years old are not allowed to travel in the front seats of vehicles mentioned in Regulations for Road Traffic Article 150. (Karayolu Trafik Yönetmeliği: Madde 150). These vehicles are private cars, minibuses, vans, trailer, buses.
 14 June 2003: Another regulation called the Regulation for School buses which came into force includes an item stating that "all seats must be equipped with seatbelts in school buses."
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- 6/ <u>USA</u>: See "Passenger Car and Light Truck Occupants Killed or Injured, by Age and Restraint Use", http://www-nrd.nhtsa.dot.gov/pdf/nrd-30/NCSA/TSFAnn/TSF2003.pdf - Table 123 on page 180.