

# Winter Coats & Car Seats

## How to stay warm AND safe

Bulky winter coats and snow pants should not be worn in a car seat as it makes the harness straps too loose to be effective in a crash.



No coat. Use a blanket for warmth.



Lightweight coat.



No coat and use a car seat cover that goes around (but not under) the car seat. This does not affect the tightness of the harness straps.



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Car seat liners that go under a child can bunch up and make extra padding that can compress in a car crash.

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No coat or a light weight fleece. Wear a warmer coat while going to and from the car.



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No coat. Use a blanket for warmth.



Harness child, then put coat on backwards.



Unzip coat, then buckle child.

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