

Appendix 3: Checking of Car Seats

1. All staff using car seats for their work must be given instruction by either the 'Champion' in their Area, or in Allerdale and Copeland by Listers. Any individual member of staff can also request training by their local Halfords for the fitting of car seat.
2. All car seats must be replaced following a moderate or severe collision/accident. It is the Social Workers/Child & Family Worker's responsibility to inform Business Support if and when a car seat needs to be replaced.
3. All car seats must be replaced after 6 years (as per ROSPA guidance) or after the manufacturer recommended lifespan as per the manufacturer's user manual. Expiration dates can also be found etched on the shell of the car seat.
4. Children & Young People Business Support team to maintain the car seat spreadsheet for their Area FAST teams.
5. Car interior cleaning kits and latex free gloves are available in all area offices, Family and Children's Centres for the cleaning of car seats and the interiors of cars following spillages and accidents.