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RECARO Como Child Seat – ‘LOCK-OFF’/3-PT GUIDE Information

To assist consumers in understanding the function of the 3-point guide (commonly known as a lock-off), RECARO North America has updated the terminology used in product manuals. The term ‘lock-off’ has been replaced with the term ‘3-point guide’, which is a more accurate description of purpose and function of this part in the industry. The purpose of the guide is to improve the child restraint system geometry for certain vehicle applications and does not create any safety advantage or disadvantage whether called a guide or lock-off. The crash safety performance of the Como seat is not affected.

The 3-point guide is not a safety feature; it is used to aid consumers in proper installation and positioning of the child restraint system. There are some applications where proper installation may be slightly difficult, due to a less compatible vehicle seat or seat belt. Child restraint geometry may benefit from using the 3-point guide mechanism in these instances, rather than over tightening the vehicle belt system.

RECARO North America has determined that certain Como seats manufactured prior to Sept. 17th 2007 may have a variance in the friction strength of the 3-point guide. If you feel as a consumer that installation of your child seat is difficult in your vehicle application, RECARO can provide you with a locking clip at no cost, which can be used with your vehicle seatbelt system. You may contact RECARO by calling 1-800-8-RECARO or via email at childseats@recarousa.com. RECARO will ship you a locking clip along with installation instructions free of charge. Please provide the model, serial number and manufacturing date so our customer service representatives can better assist you and help determine if your child seat would benefit from a locking clip.