



## National Digital Car Seat Check Form Quick Reference Guide: Use Methods



The National Digital Car Seat Check Form (NDCF) is an electronic car seat check form and data collection platform. This *free* resource is offered for use to all currently certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPSTs). Once a CPST creates a user account on [carseatcheckform.org](http://carseatcheckform.org) (allowing 3-5 days for processing), the NDCF can be used as follows:

### Web-based platform on a computer, tablet or smartphone

- Internet access is always needed for this option.
- Data is entered into the web-based platform on an electronic device in real-time.
- Agencies can customize the liability statement. Email [info@carseatcheckform.org](mailto:info@carseatcheckform.org) for assistance.
- Personally identifiable information (PII) is not captured. Each family is assigned a unique ID number. CPSTs have the option to ask families to sign in on a paper form and record the corresponding ID number for that family to maintain with local records.

### Mobile app on a tablet or smartphone

- The free mobile app is available from iTunes, Google Play and Amazon. Internet access is needed to download and setup the app on the electronic device. (Note: In order to use the mobile app, a new user account must be created on the web-based platform first.)
- Use of the mobile app allows CPSTs to conduct a car seat check *without* access to the internet while using an electronic device.
- Data collected is stored on the app until internet access is available.
- Once the electronic device is connected to the internet, the collected data can be uploaded to the CPST's NDCF user account.
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### Paper version

- The most current paper version of the NDCF is available at [cpsboard.org/NDCF](http://cpsboard.org/NDCF).
- Agencies have the option of customizing the paper version of the NDCF with their own liability statement and logo. Email [info@carseatcheckform.org](mailto:info@carseatcheckform.org) for assistance.
- Agencies are able to collect personally identifiable information on the paper version.
- Data collected on the paper version of the NDCF must be manually entered at a later point in time either through the web-based platform or mobile app.

#### For more information:

Website: [CarSeatCheckForm.org](http://CarSeatCheckForm.org)

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Account Support: [info@carseatcheckform.org](mailto:info@carseatcheckform.org)

Resources: [cpsboard.org/NDCF](http://cpsboard.org/NDCF)