



## **PORTUGUESE REGULATION FOR CHILD CAR SEATS (overview)**

Children under 12 years-old and 1.5 metres high (5 feet) must use certified retention devices (car seats or booster seats) adapted to their height and weight, as well as a safety belt at all times;

Children must sit in the back seat, except when:

- They are under 3 years-old and a child seat is used, facing backwards (please note that, in this case, the airbag **MUST** be disabled);
- They are over 3 years-old and the car does not have safety belts in the back seat.

**Children **MUST NOT** be transported in cars that don't have safety belts;**

Since September 2006, the Portuguese Law states that certified child seats must be used carrying the European safety standard orange label ECE-R 44/04.

Complete information: [http://www.theaa.com/motoring\\_advice/touring\\_tips/portugal.pdf](http://www.theaa.com/motoring_advice/touring_tips/portugal.pdf)