

## The Roosevelt

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Chest Clip Guard Installation Instructions  
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**NOTE:** This Chest Clip Guard is designed to help prevent the occupant from escaping the Roosevelt.

**NOTE:** This Chest Clip Guard replaces the standard chest clip. One of them must be used at all times.

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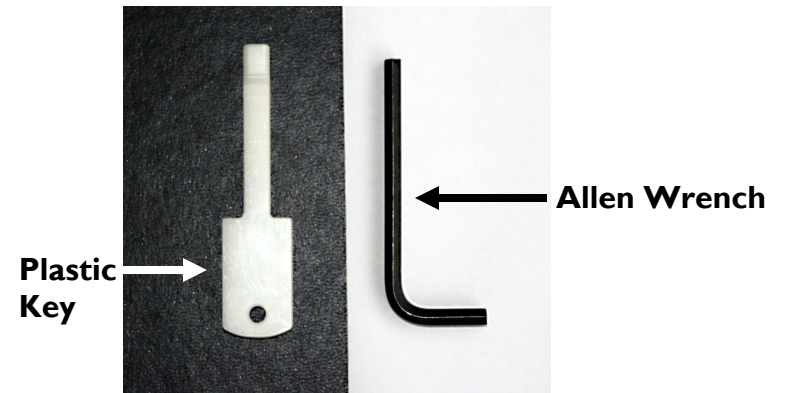
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## Parts



## Fitting the Chest Clip Guard to the Occupant

1. Position the Chest Clip Guard on a flat surface with the front side facing up, as shown in Figure A.
2. Verify that the strap is adjusted to its longest length, by pulling with both hands as shown in Figure B.



**NOTE:** The web adjusters (Figure C) on the Chest Clip Guard are shipped “unlocked”. However, if the strap will not pull out to its longest length, then verify that each web adjuster is unlocked, by turning its set screw counter clockwise with the 3/16” allen wrench provided, (Figure D).



**NOTE:** After the Chest Clip Guard is pulled out to its longest length (Figure B), proceed to Step 3 on the following page.



## Installation of Occupant with Chest Clip Guard, Cont.

5. Continue to secure your child in the restraint according to the Roosevelt “Instructions for Use” Manual.

### Unlocking the Chest Clip Guard

1. To unlock the Chest Clip Guard, insert the white plastic key provided into the key hole in the center of the Chest Clip Guard and turn it clockwise until you hear a click (Figure A).



**NOTE:** Removal of occupant is the opposite of installation.

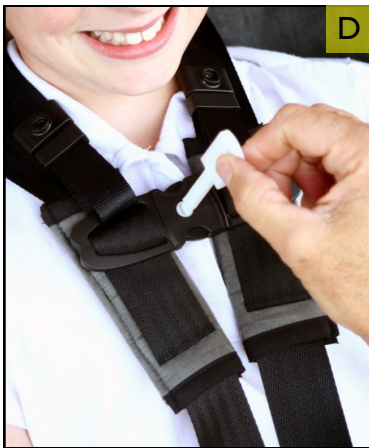
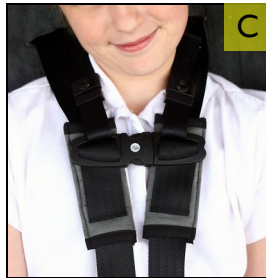
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## Installation of Occupant with Chest Clip Guard

1. Secure your child in the restraint according to the “Instructions for Use” Manual, allowing the strap to go around the back of your child’s neck (Figure A).
2. Close the Chest Clip Guard (Figures B and C).
3. To lock the Chest Clip Guard, insert the white plastic key provided into the key hole in the center of the Chest Clip Guard and turn it clockwise until you hear a click (Figure D).
4. Verify that the Chest Clip Guard is locked by trying to manually open it (Figure E).

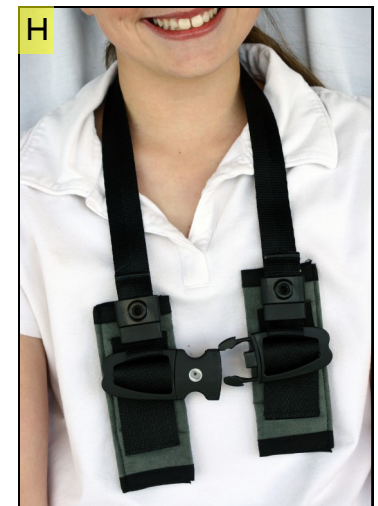
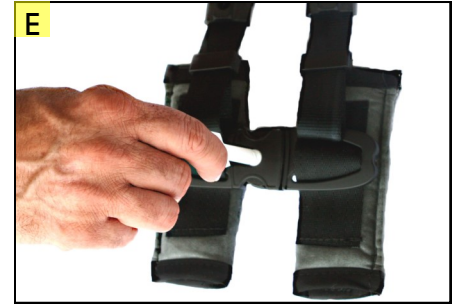


## Fitting the Chest Clip Guard to the Occupant, Cont.

**NOTE:** The “Chest Clip Part” is a part of the Chest Clip Guard. The chest clip is what you will be removing from the Roosevelt on Page 7.

**NOTE:** The Chest Clip Guard features a lock (Figure E) that prevents the occupant from opening the chest clip part of the Chest Clip Guard. The Chest Clip Guard is shipped “unlocked”. However, if it will not open, unlock it by inserting the white plastic key provided into the key hole in the center of the chest clip part and turn it clockwise until you hear a click (Figure E).

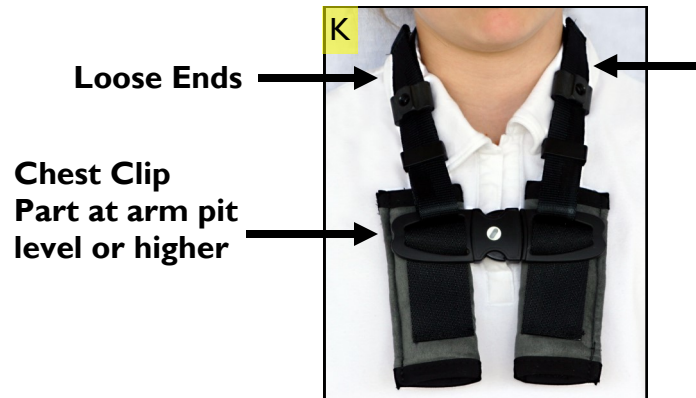
3. Open the Chest Clip guard (Figures F and G).
4. Place the Chest Clip Guard over the back of the occupant’s neck, allowing it to hang over his/her chest (Figure H).



## Fitting the Chest Clip Guard to the Occupant, Cont.

5. Close the Chest Clip Guard (Figure I).
6. While holding the chest clip part with one hand, pull the loose end of each strap (Figure J) until the chest clip part is positioned level with the occupant's arm pits or higher (Figure K).

**NOTE: Try to keep the lengths of the loose ends even (Figure K).**



## Installation of the Chest Clip Guard, Cont.

4. From the front side of the restraint, insert one of the harness straps through the appropriate slot (Figure D), according to the "Instructions for Use" Manual, and pull it through to the back side of the restraint (Figure E).
5. Slide the loop of the harness strap over the splitter plate (Figure E).
6. Repeat Steps 4 and 5 for the other harness strap.



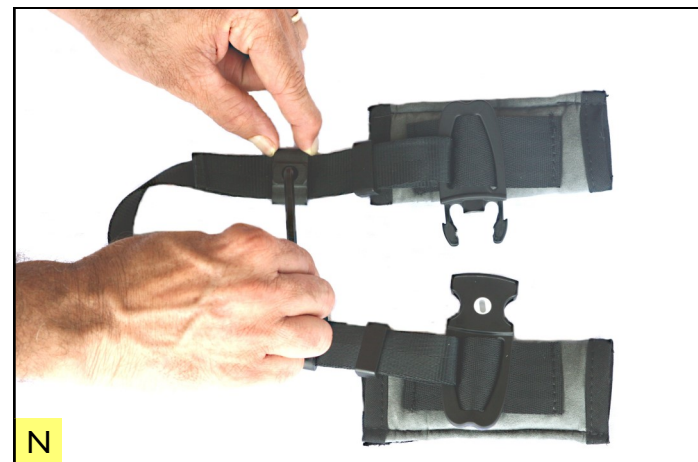


## Installation of the Chest Clip Guard

1. From below the Chest Clip Guard, insert one of the harness straps through its corresponding sleeve (Figure A).
2. Then pull the harness strap out of the top of the sleeve (Figure B).
3. Repeat Steps 1 and 2 for the other harness strap (Figure C).



7. Remove the Chest Clip Guard (Figures L and M) from the occupant and place it on a flat surface (Figure N).
8. Tighten each web adjuster, by turning its set screw clockwise with the 3/16" allen wrench provided, so that the desired strap length is locked in place (Figure N).



## Removal of the Existing Chest Clip

**NOTE:** The following steps describe how to remove the existing chest clip.

1. Loosen the harness by lifting the harness adjuster ( See arrow, Figure A) and pulling the top of both harness straps forward (Figure A).
2. Remove both neck pads (Figure B).
3. From the back of the restraint, remove one of the harness straps from the splitter plate (Figure C) and pull it through to the front of the restraint (Figure D).
4. Repeat Step 3 for the other harness strap.



## Removal of the Existing Chest Clip, Cont.

5. Grasp one of the straps at the center of the chest clip and pull the top portion of the strap out of the chest clip (Figures E and F).
6. Grasp the same strap below the chest clip and pull down until it is completely removed from the chest clip (Figure G).
7. Repeat Steps 5 and 6 for the other harness strap.
8. Store the chest clip in a safe place.

