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CHANGES IN NEBRASKA CHILD RESTRAINT LAWS

With the new year comes a change to the child restraint laws. If you transport children under 18 years old, you will want to continue reading!

Effect January 1, 2019, please note the following child restraint rules:

- All children up to their 8th birthday need to ride in a federally approved child restraint system, consisting of a child seat or booster seat. This has increased from 6 years old. They will also need to ride in the back seat unless other children under 8 years old already occupy all available seat.
- All children up to their 2nd birthday need to be in a rear facing child seat until they outgrow the restraint system's maximum allowed height or weight limit. This is a new provision to the law.
- All children 8 years old to their 18th birthday must use a seat belt.

All of these violations are primary offenses, meaning you can be stopped and cited by police for this violation alone.

Also remember; never place a small child in a seat position that has an airbag activated.

If you have additional questions, you can call Norfolk Police or your local law enforcement agency.