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MODEL: IC385BLK

1. Overview

This instruction manual provides essential information for the safe and proper installation, use, and maintenance of your Maxi-Cosi Infant Car Seat Base. This base is designed to enhance the convenience of using compatible Maxi-Cosi infant car seats across multiple vehicles or for additional caregivers. Please read this manual thoroughly before installation and keep it for future reference.



Image: The Maxi-Cosi Infant Car Seat Base, showcasing its overall design and adjustable stability leg.

2. Safety Guidelines

Your child's safety is paramount. Adhere to all warnings and instructions in this manual and your vehicle's owner's manual. Failure to do so could result in serious injury or death.

- Always ensure the car seat base is installed correctly and securely before placing a child in the car seat.
- Refer to your vehicle's owner's manual for specific information regarding car seat installation points and weight limits.
- Never use a car seat base that has been involved in a crash, even if there is no visible damage.
- Do not modify the car seat base in any way. Use only genuine Maxi-Cosi parts and accessories.
- The base is designed for rear-facing infant car seats only.
- Always check the red-to-green indicators to confirm proper installation tightness.

3. Compatibility

This Maxi-Cosi Infant Car Seat Base is compatible with the following Maxi-Cosi infant car seat models:

- Mico Luxe

- Mico Luxe+
- Mico Max Plus
- Mico XP Max

Note: Mico infant car seats are sold separately.

4. Setup and Installation

Proper installation is critical for safety. Follow these steps carefully.

4.1 LATCH Installation

1. Locate the lower LATCH anchors in your vehicle.
2. Extend the self-retracting one-click LATCH connectors from the car seat base.

MaxiLock™
secure locking system
with self-retracting
one-click LATCH
connectors



Image: Close-up of the MaxiLock secure locking system with self-retracting LATCH connectors.

3. Attach the LATCH connectors to your vehicle's lower anchors. Ensure you hear a click, indicating a secure connection.

Adjustable for a customized fit to your vehicle



Image: Detail of the LATCH connectors, ready for attachment to vehicle anchors.

4. Push down firmly on the car seat base to remove any slack from the LATCH strap.
5. Check the red-to-green tightness indicators on the base. The indicator should turn completely green when the base is securely installed.

Red to Green tightness indicators



Image: Visual representation of the red-to-green tightness indicators, showing the green state for proper installation.

6. Test the installation by pulling on the base at the belt path. It should not move more than one inch side-to-side or front-to-back.

4.2 Vehicle Belt Installation

1. Place the car seat base on the vehicle seat.
2. Route the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt through the designated belt path on the car seat base.
3. Buckle the vehicle belt.
4. Engage the integrated belt lock-off mechanism by lifting the blue lever and feeding the vehicle belt through it.

Integrated belt lock-off for easy and secure vehicle belt installation



Image: Close-up of the integrated belt lock-off, demonstrating how the vehicle belt is secured.

5. Push down firmly on the car seat base while pulling the shoulder belt to remove all slack. The red-to-green indicator should turn completely green.
6. Test the installation by pulling on the base at the belt path. It should not move more than one inch side-to-side or front-to-back.

4.3 Adjusting Base Angle (3-Position Height Adjustability)

The base features 3-position height adjustability to achieve the correct recline angle for your infant car seat in your vehicle.

1. Before or after securing the base, locate the recline adjustment handle.
2. Squeeze the handle and adjust the base to one of the three positions until the angle indicator shows the correct recline for your infant's age and the vehicle's seat angle.



LATCH connectors for quick, easy and secure installation

Image: Side view of the car seat base illustrating its three adjustable recline positions for a customized fit.

3. Ensure the base is level and stable after adjustment.

5. Operating Instructions

5.1 Attaching the Infant Car Seat to the Base

1. Align the infant car seat with the base.
2. Lower the car seat onto the base until it clicks securely into place.
3. Pull up on the car seat to ensure it is firmly attached to the base and cannot be easily lifted off.

5.2 Detaching the Infant Car Seat from the Base

1. Locate the car seat release handle or button on the infant car seat.
2. Squeeze or press the release mechanism.
3. Lift the infant car seat straight up from the base.

6. Maintenance

6.1 Care and Cleaning

- Clean the plastic and metal parts of the base with a damp cloth and mild soap.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- Allow the base to air dry completely before re-use or storage.
- Inspect the base regularly for any signs of wear, damage, or loose parts.

6.2 Storage

When not in use, store the car seat base in a cool, dry place, away from direct sunlight and extreme temperatures.

7. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your car seat base, refer to the following common problems and solutions:

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Base moves more than one inch	LATCH strap or vehicle belt not tight enough.	Re-tighten the LATCH strap or vehicle belt firmly while pushing down on the base. Ensure the red-to-green indicator is green.
Red-to-green indicator remains red	Insufficient tension on LATCH strap or vehicle belt.	Apply more pressure to the base while tightening the strap/belt. Check for any obstructions.
Difficulty attaching car seat to base	Car seat not aligned correctly or base not level.	Ensure the car seat is properly aligned with the base's connection points. Adjust the base recline if necessary to achieve a level surface.
Base feels wobbly after installation	Stability leg not properly extended or locked.	Extend the anti-rotation stability leg until it firmly contacts the vehicle floor and locks into place.

8. Specifications

Product Dimensions	23.25 x 14.5 x 8 inches
Item Model Number	IC385BLK
Maximum Weight Recommendation	30 Pounds
Material Type	Plastic
Item Weight	11.77 pounds
Number of Reclining Positions	3
Orientation	Rear Facing
Installation Type	Latch or Vehicle Belt

9. Warranty and Support

9.1 Warranty Information

Maxi-Cosi products are covered by a limited warranty against defects in materials and workmanship. For specific warranty terms and conditions, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official Maxi-Cosi website.

9.2 Customer Support

For further assistance, questions, or to report any issues, please contact Maxi-Cosi customer support. Contact information can typically be found on the product packaging or the official Maxi-Cosi website.