


## BRITAX | OVERALL GRADE: B

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	B	F	A	D	A	B

### BRITAX HIGHLIGHT SUMMARY CHECKLIST

- ✓ Public chemical statement: Yes, but can be expanded.
- Public chemical policy
- Public RSL
- ✓ Written chemical policy that includes specific chemical categories of concern.
- ✓ Ensure supplier compliance with company chemical policy
- Third-party certifications
- Willingness to utilize Chemical Footprint Project
- ✓ Chemical Advances: Britax markets 3 FR-free car seats. Expand FR-free design to all seats.
- ✓ Update RSL to stay ahead of regulation
- Working to advance public policy to support the use of safer chemicals in car seats
- Extra credit: Maintains an approved material database across their supply chain to help identify materials that meet their standards and help new suppliers find safer alternatives.

### TRANSPARENCY: F

Britax has a strong public chemical statement specifically targeting halogenated flame retardants and specifying their elimination from all product components. The company publicly states they include over 100 chemicals or chemical families in their RSL. But halogens are the only chemical family they publicly identify. We encourage Britax to expand their public statements to include other specific chemicals of concern. Additionally we urge Britax to make their chemical policy and their restricted substances list (RSL) public.

### CHEMICAL POLICIES & RSL: A

Britax reports they aim to avoid all of the chemicals of concern about which we inquired, including phosphorus-based flame retardants and PFAS. But, a Britax car seat tested positive for phosphorus-based flame retardants and PFAS through independent testing by Healthy Stuff in 2018. We applaud Britax's elimination of halogenated flame retardants and encourage the company to eliminate all chemical flame retardants and PFAS.

### ASSESSMENT OF PRODUCTS & PRACTICES: D

Britax did not indicate they were willing to utilize the Chemical Footprint Project Survey tool. Healthy Stuff encourages all car seat manufacturers to use an assessment tool to evaluate their progress in reducing chemicals of concern used in their products and to identify areas of improvement in their chemical management policies and practices.

### CHEMICAL ADVANCES: A

Britax developed and markets three car seat models that are FR-free. We celebrate these developments and encourage Britax to expand their FR-free design to all of their models and consider offering an affordable FR-free seat.

### PUBLIC POLICY: B

Britax states they support advancing safer chemicals in children's products through state green chemistry/ right to know forums. We applaud these efforts to advance safer chemicals public policy on various levels of government. We encourage Britax to continue and expand these efforts and share them with the public.