



## TECHNICAL SERVICE INFORMATION

**REF:** BODY  
**NO:** BO003-96  
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**MODEL:** ALL MODELS

Title **SEAT BELT EXTENDERS FOR 1993 THROUGH 1997 MODELS**

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Lexus customers who find it necessary to increase the length of their seat belts may obtain Seat Belt Extenders at no cost through their local Lexus dealer.

- The extender is available in black only, in 6, 9, 12, 15 and 18 inch lengths.
- Owners are informed of the seat belt extender availability through the Lexus Owner's Manual included in each vehicle.

The customer (*individual requiring the extender*) must visit a Lexus Dealership to have the required measurements made and to complete the seat belt extender worksheet. The worksheet will allow the proper fitting and selection of a seat belt extender for the customer. The dealership personnel should then determine the applicable part number and place a *Critical Order* through the *TDN Parts Network*.

Included in this bulletin is the information covering the 1993 through 1997 model years:

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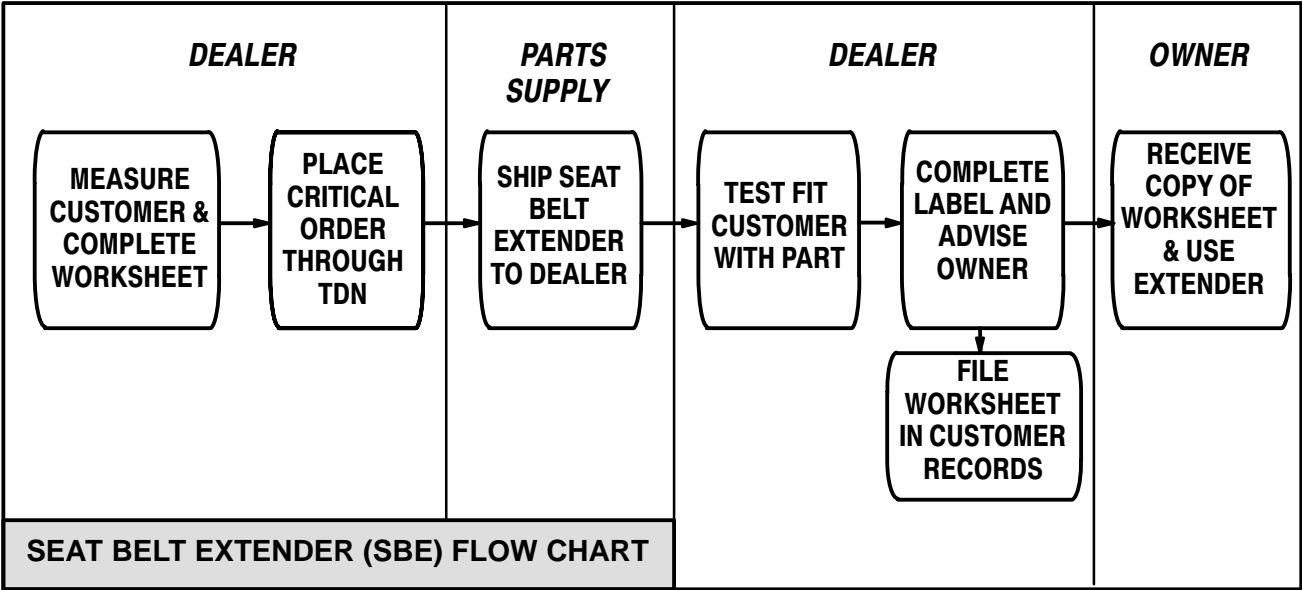
The dealership service department should complete the affixed Seat Belt Extender Label and review the "owner instruction sheet" with the customer. The dealership should give a copy of the completed worksheet to the customer and keep the original in the customer's file.

To assure utmost owner satisfaction, it is recommended that a dealership designate one person to coordinate all activities related to the seat belt extender issue.

From past sales history, it is recommended that dealerships **do not** stock seat belt extenders due to low demand and the need for customer fitting.

**PROCEDURE:**

- 1. Owner requests a seat belt extender from the dealer.
- 2. Dealer verifies the need for a seat belt extender, obtains a current copy of the TSB, and copies the worksheet.
- 3. Dealer measures the customer and completes the worksheet. Dealer determines the correct part number and places a Critical Order for the part through the TDN Parts Network.
- 4. Dealer receives the seat belt extender and calls the customer in to check fit of the part.
- 5. If the seat belt extender fit is OK, dealership personnel complete the customer information label on the part, explains usage of the part to customer, then gives customer a copy of the completed worksheet.
- 6. Dealer places a copy of the completed worksheet in the customer's records.



***SAMPLE SEAT BELT LABEL:***

**CAUTION**

**THIS SEAT BELT EXTENDER IS TO BE USED ONLY BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ON VEHICLE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**VIN:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SEATING POSITION:**      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_

                                 Driver                                   Passenger                                   Front                                   Rear

**USE BY OTHERS, OR IN ANOTHER SEATING POSITION, OR IN ANOTHER VEHICLE  
COULD REDUCE SEAT BELT RESTRAINT IN AN ACCIDENT AND RESULT IN  
PERSONAL INJURY.**

**PART NUMBER INFORMATION:**

Locate the series code on the **series application** charts, then use the **part number by length** chart to identify the correct part number for the specific customer.

**FRONT SEAT EXTENDER SERIES APPLICATION TABLE:**

Model	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993
LS 400	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
GS 300	N-3	N-3	N-3	N-3	N-3
SC 400	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
SC 300	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
ES 300	R-5	K-4	K-4	K-4	K-4
LX 450	R-3	R-3	-	-	-

**REAR SEAT EXTENDER SERIES APPLICATION TABLE:**

Model	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993
LS 400	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
GS 300	K-4	K-4	K-4	K-4	K-4
SC 400	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
SC 300	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
ES 300.. Right & Left	R-5	R-3	R-3	R-3	R-3
ES 300..Center	R-3*	-	-	-	-
LX 450	K-4**	K-4**	-	-	-

**NOTE:** \*The extender must not be used for the center rear seat belt (except '97 model ES 300 as noted in the chart).

\*\*Includes third seat application.

**PART NUMBER BY REQUIRED LENGTH (73399-):**

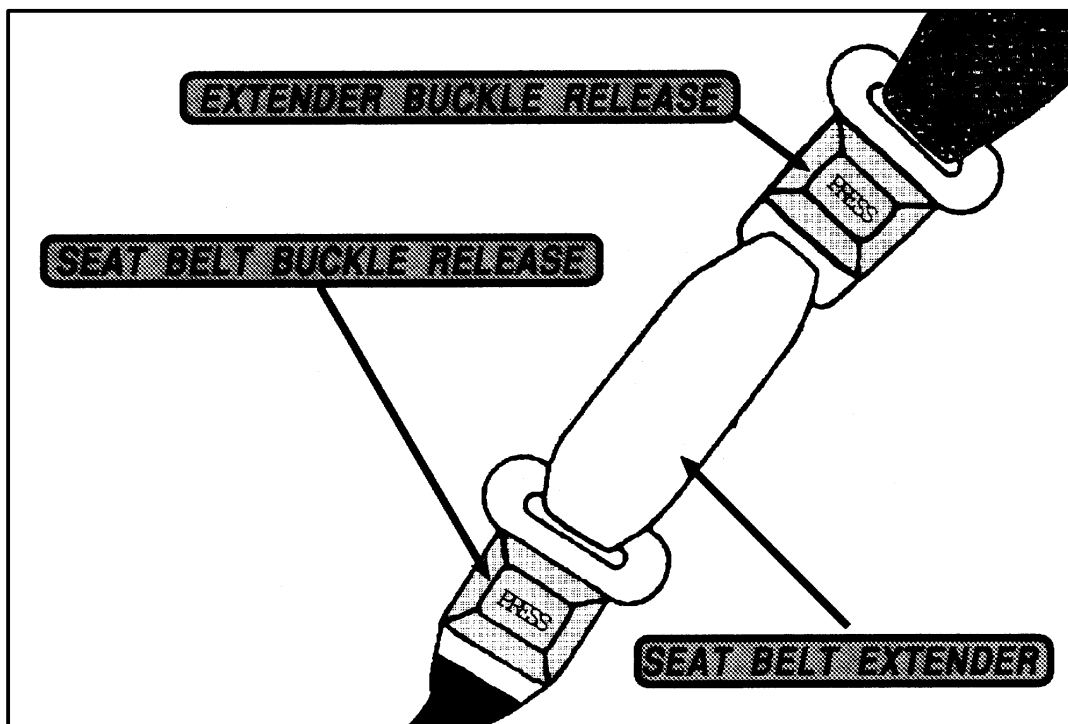
SERIES	6 INCH	9 INCH	12 INCH	15 INCH	18 INCH
K-4	33010	33020	33030	33040	33050
N-3	20011	20021	20031	20041	20051
R-3	50010	50020	50030	50040	50050
R-5	16060	16070	16080	16090	16100

**OWNER INSTRUCTION FOR PERSONALIZED SEAT BELT EXTENDER:*****CAUTION FOR USE OF SEAT BELT EXTENDERS:***

1. Never use the seat belt extender if you can fasten the seat belt without it.
2. Remember the seat belt extender provided for you may not be safe when used in a different vehicle, or for another person or at a seating position different than specified.
3. When the seat belt extender is provided for a rear seat position (with automatic locking retractor), make sure the retractor is locked when in use.
4. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN A LESS EFFECTIVE SEAT BELT RESTRAINT SYSTEM IN CASE OF A VEHICLE ACCIDENT, CAUSING PERSONAL INJURY.

***USING THE SEAT BELT EXTENDER:***

1. Connect the seat belt extender to the seat belt by inserting the tab into the seat belt buckle so the buckle release buttons of the seat belt extender and the seat belt are located on the same side as shown in the illustration. You will hear a click when the tab properly locks into the buckle.
2. MAKE SURE THAT THE CONNECTION IS SECURE AND THE SEAT BELT EXTENDER IS NOT TWISTED.
3. When releasing the seat belt, press on the buckle release button on the seat belt extender, not on the seat belt. This helps prevent damage to the vehicle interior and seat belt extender.
4. When not in use, remove the extender and store in the vehicle.



**OWNER'S MANUAL TEXT:*****SEAT BELT EXTENDER***

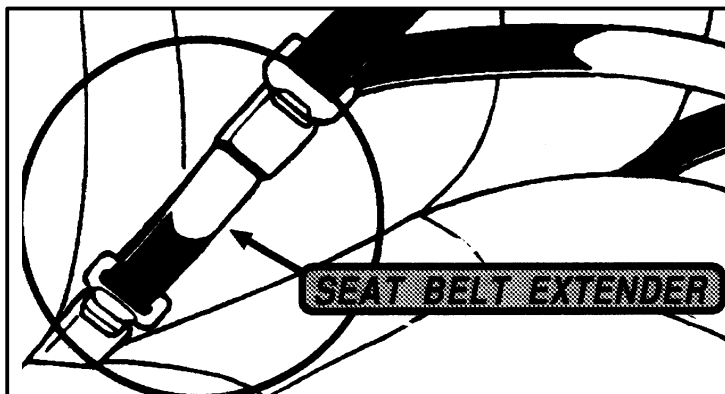
If your seat belt cannot be fastened securely because it is not long enough, a personalized seat belt extender is available from your Lexus dealer free of charge.

Please contact your local Lexus dealer so that the dealer can order a seat belt extender of the proper required length. Bring the heaviest coat you expect to wear for proper measurement and selection of length. Additional ordering information is available at your Lexus dealer.

**CAUTION:**

When using the seat belt extender, observe the following. Failure to follow these instructions could result in less effectiveness of the seat belt restraint system in case of a vehicle accident, increasing the chance of personal injury.

- Never use the seat belt extender if you can fasten the seat belt without it.
- Remember that the seat belt extender provided for you may not be safe when used on a different vehicle, or for another person and/or at different seating positions than specified.



**To connect the seat belt extender to the seat belt, insert the tab into the seat belt buckle so that the buckle release buttons of the seat belt extender and the seat belt are both facing outward as shown.**

You will hear a click when the tab locks into the buckle. When releasing the seat belt, press on the buckle-release button on the seat belt extender, not on the seat belt. This helps prevent damage to the vehicle interior and seat belt extender itself.

When not in use, remove the seat belt extender and store in the vehicle for future use.

**CAUTION:**

**After inserting the tab, make sure that the connection is secure and the seat belt extender is not twisted.**



## SEAT BELT EXTENDER WORKSHEET

Please copy this original worksheet for each extender needed.

**CAUTION:** To minimize the chance and/or severity of injury in an accident, the seat belt extender must not be used:

- By anyone but the person for whom it was provided, and
- In any vehicle or seat specified other than the one for which it was provided, and
- With any car child safety seats.

When the seat belt extender is provided for rear seat positions (with automatic locking retractor), make sure the retractor is locked when in use.

In all cases seat belts must be worn below the abdomen by pregnant women.

DEALER		PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY		APPLICANT	
DEALER CODE	DEALER NAME	APPLICANT NAME			
ADDRESS		ADDRESS			
CITY AND STATE		ZIP CODE	CITY AND STATE		TELEPHONE
DEALER EMPLOYEE NAME	MODEL YEAR	BODY TYPE	SEAT POSITION <i>F / R</i>	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER	

### DIRECTIONS FOR DETERMINING PROPER EXTENDER LENGTH

1. Place the seat in the position the person normally uses.
2. With the person in the seat, extend the seat belt as much as possible and see if the belt latches.
3. If the buckle latches but has no slack remaining, the dimension for Figure 2 is zero. If the seat belt does not latch, measure the distance from the seat belt latch edge to the seat belt buckle as shown in Figure 2 below, and note the dimension.
4. Measure the lap area directly below the navel to the edge of the buckle as shown in Figure 1 and note the dimension.
5. The difference between Figure 1 and Figure 2 measurements is the "Allowable Margin". (Do not use this dimension for the extender length.)
6. Take the measurement in Figure 2 and round it up to the next extender size available, without exceeding the "Allowable Margin".

FIGURE 1  
DIMENSION FROM NAVAL TO BUCKLE

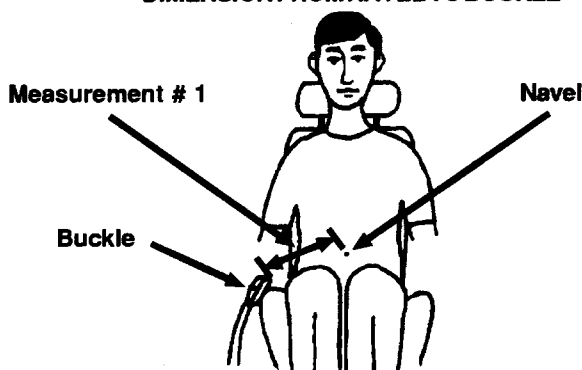
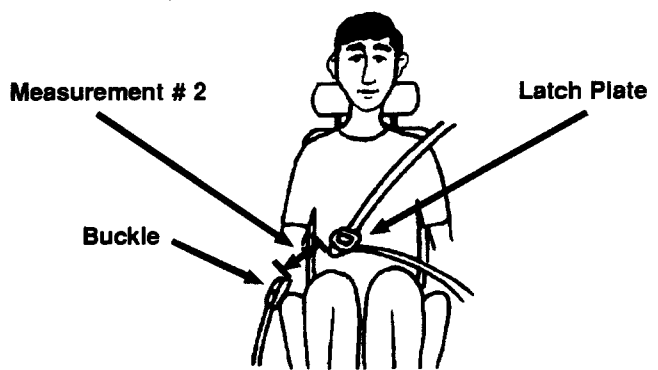


FIGURE 2  
DIMENSION FROM LATCH TO BUCKLE



Measurement #1 (Figure 1) - Measurement #2 (Figure 2) = "Allowable Margin"

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** The length of the extender must not exceed the "Allowable Margin", due to design and construction features

### AUTHORIZATION

The same extender can be used for right and left seating applications. Each seat belt extender will be affixed with a label identifying the owner, vehicle VIN and seating position. Extenders are available in one color only.

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APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE  
(Actual user of seat belt extender)

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE