A DRIVE UNLIKE ANY OTHER
RECARO aftermarket car seats
Wilhelm Reutter founded his body shop in 1906. Ever since, we’ve been obsessed with custom mobility, and Reutter’s passion lives on in the first two letters of our brand as well as in everything we do. We’re all about making driving safer, more comfortable and more controlled – a driving experience that you can really feel. We put people first. Every time. We’re equally obsessed with motorsport. Whatever record you broke yesterday, you aspire to beat it today. That’s why we’re constantly looking for ways for you to shave a little time off your next lap – safely. Winning is one thing. But to be a champion, you need to keep learning and developing.

Our seats are more than just a set of components. They’re made of innovation, quality, premium materials, craftsmanship and a serious passion for cars. From the ultimate in comfort and ergonomics to uncompromising sporting flair, our products are as diverse and exacting as the individuals who buy them. And always in the quality you expect from RECARO. Choose cutting-edge performance that puts you in the driving seat.

Enjoy the ride!
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1906
Master saddler Wilhelm Reutter starts on the development and production of car bodies, interior fittings and vehicle seats for automobiles, both in custom production and small batches, at his “Stuttgarter Carosserie- u. Radfabrik” body plant.

1920s/1930s
The company produces car bodies and interior fittings for all major car manufacturers. Precursors and prototypes of the Volkswagen (later Beetle) are also manufactured by Reutter on behalf of the Porsche design studio.

1950s
Car bodies, interior fittings and seats for the Porsche 356 go into production at Reutter in Stuttgart. By 1965, the company has built around 60,000 vehicles. Development and subsequent production of reclining seat mechanisms begins.

1965
Launch of the RECARO sports seat. The world’s first retrofit seat for automobiles is characterized by its revolutionary foam upholstery and distinctive side bolsters.

1967
The “RECARO shell seat” is RECARO’s first road-legal full shell seat. It raises the bar in safety, lightweight construction and comfort with a body-hugging seat shell, adjustment options and foam upholstery.

1969
The previous RECARO sports seat is renamed the “RECARO Idealsitz.” At the same time, RECARO introduces a new trademark, which has remained unchanged to this day.

1971
A world first: RECARO unveils the first vehicle seat with an integrated seat belt – the RECARO safety seat.

1973
RECARO is the first manufacturer to offer the anti-submarining seat upholstery guide, which prevents the occupant from slipping under the belt in the event of an accident. Also making its car seat premiere is RECARO’s extendable seat cushion, an added comfort feature for tall drivers.

1974
For the world elite in touring car motorsport, RECARO launches its first racing seat with a super sturdy double shell made of the fiber-reinforced composite Kevlar – for top-level safety and low weight (6.5 kg).

1977
The new RECARO Airmax® pneumatic lumbar support, adjustable side bolsters on the seat cushion and backrest and RECARO’s first electrically adjustable backrest significantly improve adaptability to individual requirements.

1977
Acoustic comfort: under the name RECAROfonie, the company launches a seat with stereo loudspeakers integrated in the headrest.

1981
RECARO enters the world of commercial vehicle seats, unveiling the first driver’s seat with shock-cushioning system.

1984
A seat that remembers. The RECARO CSE comfort seat is the first to have a memory function.

1986
The first seat for taxi drivers, the RECARO T-Line, boasts breathable upholstery.

1989
Innovation in novel materials: The RECARO A8 sports seat comes with a back shell made of plastic.

1990
Cool cabbies: The company introduces the RECARO taxi seat, the first car seat with ventilation (RECARO Vent System®).

1991
The RECARO Variomed is the world’s first vehicle seat with asymmetrical adjustment options.

1995
The world’s first racing shell with head protection. RECARO’s now Pro Racer racing shell revolutionizes safety standards in professional motorsport.

2004
RECARO unveils the world’s first retrofit universal side airbag seat with ABE for different vehicle models.

2005
RECARO becomes the world’s first seat manufacturer to revolutionize seating design with its new lightweight composite shell.

2007
RECARO Automotive Seating unveils the P 1300 GT, the first racing shell with fore-aft adjustment, combining top-level safety with tailored comfort.

2009
When it comes to car seats, RECARO knows the importance of innovation. The company has set the pace with inventions like the world’s first vehicle seat with ABE (German general type approval) and its FIA homologation.

2013
Premiere of the limited and exclusive RECARO Sportster CS “Nürburgring Edition”.

2019
The RECARO Podium is the only retrofit shell seat on the market that is approved for use on public roads (ABE general type approval) and has FIA homologation.
The function of a product determines its form. As RECARO designers, our top priority is ergonomics – it’s all about the person in the seat: form follows human.

UNCONDITIONAL COMFORT.
From the heat of high summer to a frosty winter’s morning, the right temperature is essential for truly comfortable seating. So RECARO came up with an ingenious system. For hot weather, the seat has a breathable membrane and air conditioning system to wick away moisture, keeping you comfortably dry, but never cold. When temperatures drop below zero, RECARO seat heating keeps you pleasantly warm.

CUSTOM SEATS. TAILORED FOR PERFECTION.
A RECARO seat is like a tailor-made suit. It fits perfectly, effortlessly underlining your unique personality by combining elegance, premium quality and individual style. Only products made with passion and skill make you feel this special. Crafted to perfection using the finest materials and consistent down to the tiniest detail, they say it all.

RECARO is the brand for exclusive seats made precisely to your tastes. Alongside perfect fit, they boast intelligent design that combines the ultimate in functionality, ergonomics and looks. RECARO seats are available in a wide range of upholstery materials and colors. You can even request custom or OEM materials! We’ll tailor your new seats to suit your personal preferences.

EVERY INCH LUXURIOUS.

A great deal of traditional craftsmanship goes into our seats. From the seams and cushions to the superb finish, the finely honed skills of our craftsmen shine through. Not even the tiniest detail escapes their expert eye.
MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME.

An ergonomic sitting position also means a comfortable position. Driving your car should feel like a relaxing visit to the spa after a stressful week. With a range of smart comfort features and perfect seat contours that support your body, we make every journey an experience to savor.

This support is vital, as being behind the wheel forces you to sit passively – one of the worst possible positions for your body. Depending on the route, driving style and road surface, factors like centrifugal force, deceleration and vibrations come into play, which is why many drivers complain of muscle tension, circulatory problems, headaches or concentration issues on long journeys.

A good car seat has to compensate for these factors with support and protection: an ergonomic seat structure, body-hugging contours, firm upholstery, pronounced side bolsters and finely-tuned adjustment options along with breathable covers, and comfort features such as heating or air conditioning.

“RECARO is the best seat in the world. The RECARO Pole Position looks incredible and is amazingly comfortable on long journeys.”

Jean Pierre Kraemer Tuner, TV presenter and CEO of JP Performance

RECARO CLASSIC SEATS. APPROVED BY WALTER RÖHRL.

A classic car should be as original and authentic as possible. Any conversions or accessories must remain true to the era of the car’s creation. Who better to make seats for your classic car than the company that made the original seats in the first place? RECARO – priceless originality.

SIT BACK AND RELAX.

21,900

That’s the average time a person spends in a vehicle during their lifetime.

You know the feeling all too well. You get into your car, eat up the miles, and arrive seized up and stressed out – just in time for the next meeting. Sitting, sitting and more sitting. With RECARO, you step out of your car feeling relaxed and ready for whatever work can throw at you, even after a long journey. That’s because our seats work around your needs. Because we’re experts in ergonomic design.

IF YOUR BACK COULD CHOOSE IT WOULD CHOOSE RECARO.

Mobility is synonymous with modern society. More and more people are spending more and more of their time in the car. For many drivers, it’s their workplace. The seal of quality from AGR e.V, the German Campaign for Healthier Backs, helps drivers choose back-friendly products. The RECARO Ergomed E, Ergomed ES, RECARO Style Topline XL and the RECARO Podium carry the AGR seal. For more information, please visit: www.agr-ev.de/en/back-friendly-products/back-friendly-products/2903-carseats
PEAK BODY SUPPORT PERFORMANCE.

Did you ever test a RECARO seat? Then you know how good it feels. It fits like a glove. And you feel like you’re sitting IN the seat and not ON it. This is what all RECARO models have in common. We call it Body Support.

With a RECARO seat where man meets machine, the road becomes a playground that gives you instant feedback all the way. It boasts a low center of gravity, firm, compact upholstery, and the necessary freedom of movement for the arms. The result: controlled cornering, and a driving experience that you can sit back and relish. Its snug, supportive seat structure and side bolsters for excellent shoulder and torso support stabilize the body against lateral forces, cocooning it like a second skin. Feel the difference!

“Timo Bernhard
Overall winner, 24 h Le Mans 2017
Winner of the FIA-LMP1 World Endurance Championship

“My RECARO racing seat is not just reassuringly safe. It’s also consistently comfortable. It supports my whole body so I can perform at my very best.”

DYNAMIC DRIVING EXPERIENCE.

Everything under control? The driver’s seat plays a key role in this, especially if your driving style is sporty. The better your sitting position, the sharper your reactions and the more fully you have the vehicle under control. RECARO builds seats that support the body perfectly so that you can drive with greater concentration and safety. When developing sports seats for the road, we draw on our many years of experience and innovation in motorsport.

“Sidney Hoffmann
Tuner, TV presenter and CEO of SIDNEY INDUSTRIES

“I love RECARO! The Sportster CS is the perfect symbiosis of pure racing shell and comfortable sports seat. Superb track and road performance.”
With many car manufacturers, it’s often worth looking at the options and equipment lists to make sure that your new car comes with RECARO seats. The international automotive industry has put its trust in RECARO from the day the brand was born. Our customers value both the renowned quality of our products and our innovative prowess. We regularly join forces with vehicle manufacturers to develop custom solutions, be it for special editions, performance vehicles or exclusive premium cars.
YOUR RECARO SEAT STARTS HERE.

Your custom RECARO seat experience is just a few steps away. Take your time and begin by asking yourself a few questions. What’s crucial to me when I’m sitting in the car? What do I want from my RECARO seat? What should it look like? How does my passenger want their seat?

www.recaro-automotive.com

Consultation with an authorized RECARO partner

Order and purchase from an authorized RECARO partner

Installation and documentation by a qualified and authorized RECARO partner

DO NOT FORGET THE BASEFRAME!

After getting an initial overview from this brochure or a visit to our website, we always recommend a personal consultation with an authorized RECARO partner. They will listen to your personal criteria and find the perfect solution. Round off your visit by trying out your favorite seat model.

Please note that the installation of RECARO seats in your car requires special baseframes to ensure a perfect, secure fit. Our partners will be happy to help.

THE RECARO SYSTEM

German general type approval (ABE)/TÜV component certification requires a RECARO baseframe or RECARO sidemounts. For special vehicles, an electric substructure with electric height, tilt and longitudinal adjustment is also available. Please consult your RECARO partner for more information.
# OVERVIEW OF CAR SEAT RANGE
## AFTERMARKET SEATS

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### TAILORED COMFORT

- Lumbar support
- Adjustable side bolsters, seat cushion
- Height adjustment, electric
- Adjustable headrest
- Seat air conditioning
- AGR certified (German Healthier Backs Campaign)
- Easy Access
- Modular seat cushion
- XL version
- Adjustable release on both sides

### SAFETY

- ABE/TÜV component certification
- Suitable for 3-, 4-point belt (street use)
- Competition Seat (FIA 8855-1999)
- Suitable for 4-, 5-, or 6-point belt (racing use)
- Suitable for HANS systems
- FIA approval for 5 years
- Highly fire-resistant upholstery
- Seat shell made from carbon and aramid (CFRP/AFRP)
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- Seat shell glass fiber reinforced polymer (GFRP)
- Composite materials
- Weight complete shell (incl. foam and upholstery, without sidemount)
- Integrated headrest
- Suitable for 4-point belts (street use)
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- Special lateral support in the seat cushion area
- Spinal cord support
- Dynamic ride performance
- Skin-friendly

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ARRIVE FRESH.
RECARO Ergomed E & ES

The RECARO Ergomed combines luxurious comfort and superb ergonomics for the ultimate driving experience. It boasts elegant looks, premium quality and a range of customization options. As the top product among our comfort seats, it offers all the functions and adjustment options needed to support your body perfectly, even on long journeys. Awarded the AGR seal of quality, this model is available in two configurations, as well as with universal side airbag. Finally, this unique seating experience comes with a climate package comprising seat heating and air conditioning.

**Standard features**
- Lumbar support
- Extendable seat cushion
- Electric height adjustment
- Easy-to-operate switch pack
- Backrest release on both sides
- Adjustable headrest
- Seatback pocket

**Options**
(at additional cost)
- Universal side airbag
- RECARO climate package (Ergomed E)

Funding may be available.

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**RECARO Ergomed E**
- Standard features
  - Backrest adjustment on both sides
  - Tilt adjustment
- Electrically adjustable side bolsters on backrest and seat cushion
- Electric backrest adjustment
- RECARO climate package (heating and air conditioning)

**RECARO Ergomed ES**
- Standard features
  - Lumbar support
  - Extendable seat cushion
- Electric height adjustment
- Easy-to-operate switch pack
- Backrest release on both sides
- Adjustable headrest
- Seatback pocket

**Options**
(at additional cost)
- Universal side airbag
- RECARO climate package (Ergomed E)

**RECARO Ergomed E upholstery options**
- Nardo black
- Nardo grey
- Artista black
- Artista grey

**RECARO Ergomed E with climate package, upholstery options**
- Leather black
- Leather grey
- Daino suede black

**RECARO Ergomed ES upholstery options**
- Nardo black
- Nardo grey
- Artista black
- Artista grey

**RECARO Ergomed ES with climate package, upholstery options**
- Leather black
- Mesh anthracite

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THE SCIENCE OF SITTING.
RECARO Orthopaed

The RECARO Orthopaed is designed with the ultimate focus on the human body. It was developed by our ergonomic design experts for the most discerning drivers who have special requirements when it comes to supporting their spine. Users will love its custom-paddable shoulder support, electrically adjustable backrest side bolsters and multi-chamber lumbar support. Its flat seat cushion makes getting in and out a breeze. These features make the RECARO Orthopaed perfect for high vehicles like SUVs.

Standard features
+ RECARO climate package (heating and air conditioning)
+ Electrically adjustable backrest side bolsters
+ Lumbar support
+ Extendable seat cushion
+ Easy-to-operate switch pack
+ Custom-paddable shoulder support
+ Electric backrest adjustment
+ Adjustable headrest
+ Backrest release on both sides
+ Easy Access to make it easy to get in and out

RECARO Orthopaed upholstery options
- Nardo black
- Artista black
- Nardo gray
- Artista gray
- Leather black
- Dinamica suede black
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RECARO Orthopaed upholstery options
- Nardo black
- Artista black
- Nardo gray
- Artista gray
- Leather black
- Dinamica suede black
- Leather black
- Dinamica suede black
If you love sporty design but don’t want to compromise on comfort, this is the seat for you! The RECARO Style Topline XL with a higher backrest is ideally proportioned for taller drivers. The equipment packages include everything you could possibly want, whether it’s a lumbar support, a RECARO climate package or electrically operated functions. The RECARO Style Topline XL has been awarded the AGR quality seal for their outstanding ergonomics.

**Standard features**
+ Adjustable backrest side bolsters
+ Extendable seat cushion
+ Preformed backrest contour
+ Adjustable headrest
+ Backrest release on both sides
+ Backrest adjustment on both sides
+ Lumbar support
+ Combined electric height and tilt adjustment
+ Easy-to-operate switch pack
+ RECARO climate package (heating and air conditioning)
+ Electric backrest adjustment

**RECARO Style Topline XL upholstery options**
- Nardo black
- Nardo gray
- Leather black
- Dinamica suede black
- Artista black
- Artista gray

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THE FLEXIBLE EXPERT.
RECARO Expert S, M, L

If flexibility is top of your list, look no further! The modular design of the RECARO Expert adapts to different body sizes. It's available with S, M and L seat cushions that vary in the length of the seat surface and the height and contours of the side bolsters. Shorter drivers will find that the short seat cushion and flat side bolsters make getting in and out a breeze (S version), while taller drivers will appreciate the extra upper leg support provided by the long seat cushion and the high, prominent side bolsters (L version). Adjustable backrest side bolsters come as standard, rounding off the perfect body support. Feel your driving performance soar!

**Standard features**
- Paddable lumbar support
- Preformed side bolsters
- Backrest adjustment on both sides
- Adjustable headrest
- Backrest side bolsters adjustable on both sides
- Backrest release on both sides

**Options (at additional cost)**
- Electric backrest adjustment

**RECARO Expert S**
- Seat cushion for people of small to medium build: short seat cushion with flat side bolsters

**RECARO Expert M**
- Easy Access to make it easy to get in and out
- Seat cushion for people of medium to large build: long seat cushion with less pronounced, very flat side bolsters
- Extendable seat cushion

**RECARO Expert L**
- Seat cushion for people of medium to large build: long seat cushion with pronounced side bolsters
- Extendable seat cushion

**RECARO Expert S, M, L upholstery options**
- Nardo black
- Artista black
- Nardo gray
- Ambla leather black
- Binga leather black
- Dinamica suede black
- Ambla leather black
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RECARO Specialist S
- Seat cushion for people of small to medium build: short seat cushion with flat side bolsters
- Easy Access to make it easier to get in and out
- Seat cushion for people of medium to large build: long seat cushion with less pronounced, very flat side bolsters
- Extendable seat cushion

RECARO Specialist M
- Seat cushion for people of medium to large build: long seat cushion with less pronounced, very flat side bolsters
- Extendable seat cushion

RECARO Specialist L
- Seat cushion for people of medium to large build: long seat cushion with pronounced side bolsters
- Extendable seat cushion

Nardo black
Artista black
Nardo gray
Artista gray
Ambla leather black
Dinamica suede black
Ambla leather black

THE CUSTOMIZATION SPECIALIST.
RECARO Specialist S, M, L

It may be the entry model in the RECARO comfort range, but the RECARO Specialist meets exacting requirements. To make every trip an experience to savor, it can be fitted with optional electric backrest adjustment. Just like the RECARO Expert, it comes in three seat cushion versions that vary in the length of the seat surface and the height and contours of the side bolsters. Shorter drivers will love the “S” version, while taller drivers will appreciate the extra upper leg support provided by the long seat cushion and the high, prominent side bolsters in the “L” version.

Standard features
- Paddable lumbar support
- Preformed side bolsters
- Backrest adjustment on both sides
- Adjustable headrest
- Backrest release on both sides

Options
(at additional cost)
- Electric backrest adjustment

RECARO Specialist S
RECARO Specialist M
RECARO Specialist L

Image includes RECARO Specialist M options.

AFTERMARKET CAR SEATS
Drive performance meets comfort. The ingenious lightweight shell of the RECARO Cross Sportster CS differs from the Sportster CS in its much flatter seat cushion. This makes getting in and out much easier in high vehicles like SUVs. For maximum safety, the RECARO Cross Sportster CS is available with optional universal side airbag.

**Simply Sit.**

**RECARO Cross Sportster CS**

- **Standard features**
  - Flat seat cushion with low side bolsters
  - Easy Access to make it easy to get in and out
  - Sporty seat performance
  - Specially formed shoulder support
  - Belt slots for 4-point belt
  - Also suitable for use with a 3-point belt
  - Backrest adjustment
  - Integrated headrest
  - Backrest release
  - Integrated sidemount

- **Options (at additional cost)**
  - Universal side airbag
  - 2-level seat heating

**RECARO Cross Sportster CS upholstery options**

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The highlight of the RECARO sports seat range. The RECARO Sportster CS is the perfect combination of comfortable sports seat and pure racing shell. The innovative lightweight shell boasts an exclusive slim design, plus outstanding lateral and shoulder support. The world’s best drive performance, available with optional universal side airbag. Many car manufacturers offer the Sportster CS as standard equipment in their high-performance models, such as the Ford Focus RS.

**Standard features**
- Sporty seat performance
- Racing shell look
- Special lateral support
- Specially formed shoulder support
- Belt slots for 4-point belt
- Also suitable for use with a 3-point belt
- Backrest adjustment
- Integrated headrest
- Backrest release
- Integrated sidemount

**Options (at additional cost)**
- Universal side airbag
- 2-level seat heating

**RECARO Sportster CS upholstery options**
- Nardo black
- Artista black
- Ambla leather black
- Dinamica suede black
- Ambla leather black
- Dinamica suede red
- Ambla leather black
- Dinamica suede silver
- Ambla leather black
- Dinamica suede charcoal
- Ambla leather black
- Dinamica suede beige
- Ambla leather black
- Dinamica suede black

Image includes options.
A thoroughbred racing shell licensed for a sporty ride on the open road. Tried and trusted by the world’s most famous secret agent! The RECARO Pole Position (ABE) is the ultimate track-road crossover seat. With a one-piece shell made of carbon aramid (CFRP/AFRP) or glass-fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP) and flawless ergonomics, no wonder it has a long-standing track record as one of club motorsport’s most popular racing shells. Many exclusive car manufacturers upgrade their top performance models with the Pole Position. To guarantee optimum safety, the RECARO Pole Position can be enhanced with harness belts from SCHROTH. They not only meet the design requirements of ECE-R 16.04, but are also the only belts supplied to many vehicles that have ABG (German general design certification) approval.

**ABE/TÜV component certification with 3-point belt available for many vehicles. For further information on specific vehicles, please contact an authorized RECARO partner (ABE/TÜV component certification only in conjunction with RECARO baseframe and sidemount).**

**THE ULTIMATE ROAD PRO.**
RECARO Pole Position (ABE) & Pole Position Carbon (ABE)

A thoroughbred racing shell licensed for a sporty ride on the open road. Tried and trusted by the world’s most famous secret agent! The RECARO Pole Position (ABE) is the ultimate track-road crossover seat. With a one-piece shell made of carbon aramid (CFRP/AFRP) or glass-fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP) and flawless ergonomics, no wonder it has a long-standing track record as one of club motorsport’s most popular racing shells. Many exclusive car manufacturers upgrade their top performance models with the Pole Position. To guarantee optimum safety, the RECARO Pole Position can be enhanced with harness belts from SCHROTH. They not only meet the design requirements of ECE-R 16.04, but are also the only belts supplied to many vehicles that have ABG (German general design certification) approval.

**Standard features**
- Belt slots for 4-point belt
- Also suitable for use with a 3-point belt
- Integrated headrest
- ABE (German general type approval/ TÜV (German Technical Inspection Association) component certification**
- Paddlable lumbar support

**Accessories (at additional cost)**
- Aluminum sidemount
- Steel sidemount

**RECARO Pole Position (ABE)**
- Standard features
- Glass fiber reinforced plastic (GFRP) seat shell
- Weight approx. 7.0 kg (without sidemount and baseframe)

**RECARO Pole Position Carbon (ABE)**
- Standard features
- Carbon aramid (CFRP/AFRP) seat shell
- Weight approx. 4.5 kg (without sidemount and baseframe)

**RECARO Pole Position (ABE) upholstery options**
- Velour black
- Nardo black
- Ambra leather black
- Dinamica nardo-red
- Ambra leather black
- Dinamica nardo-black
- Ambra leather black
- Dinamica nardo-black
- Leather black

**Carbon shell upholstery options**
- Velour black
- Leather black
RECARO Podium

The new RECARO Podium is much more than a thoroughbred CFRP shell seat. It’s a pioneering seat design for the contrasting demands of road and track. It’s not just its sleek outline, visible structures or motorsport-inspired pads in varying thicknesses that make heads turn. The Podium stands out because of its superior quality and exceptional performance on all road types – for driving day-to-day and at the limit.

The RECARO Podium is the only retrofit shell seat on the market that is approved for use on public roads and has FIA homologation. Racing technology doesn’t get better than this!

To meet our consistently high standards of innovation, quality, comfort and, most importantly, safety, the RECARO Podium went through intensive testing on the Nürburgring’s “Green Hell” during development. To guarantee optimum safety, the Podium can be enhanced with harness belts from SCHROTH. They not only meet the design requirements of ECE-R 16.04, but are also the only belts supplied to many vehicles that have ABG (German general design certification).

The suave combination of original Alcantara® fabrics and exclusive leather together with the passive ventilation of the open back shell and airy pad contours make even the longest of routes the most perfect of pleasures. In addition, the RECARO Podium is the first racing shell ever to be awarded the coveted seal of quality from AGR e.V, the German Campaign for Healthier Backs – a reliable decision-making aid when buying back-friendly products. The shell is also super light – but, of course, that goes without saying.
RECARO Podium

Standard features
+ RECARO Podium M, with pads for medium build drivers
+ RECARO Podium L, with pads for larger build drivers
+ ABE and FIA homologation**
+ Suitable for track and road
+ Carbon fiber reinforced plastic (CFRP) seat shell
+ Sporty seat performance
+ Sleek racing seat look
+ Special lateral support
+ Specially formed shoulder support
+ Integrated headrest
+ Visible seat structures
+ Road use: with 3- or 4-point belt
+ FIA: with 4-, 5- or 6-point belt
+ Developed for the use of HANS systems
+ Lightest seat in the world:
  RECARO Podium L: approx. 5.9 kg
  RECARO Podium M: approx. 6.1 kg
  (incl. pads in velour black)
+ Net seat weight: only approx. 4.3 kg

Accessories
(at additional cost)
+ Steel sidemount

The RECARO pad concept – replaceable pads to suit every driver

A RECARO racing seat is like a tailor-made suit. It fits perfectly. Thanks to the varying pad thicknesses, the RECARO Podium is available in two sizes: size M for medium build drivers and size L for larger build drivers. This means the shell can be customized for optimal comfort and fit. The beauty of the pads’ design is that, rather than being simply flat, they are expertly shaped to fit the contours of your body.

This allows air to circulate through the seat – a built-in cooling system.

RECARO Podium M is suitable for medium build drivers. The approx. 20 mm thick pads are available in all of the listed cover options.

- Weight incl. pads (velour black): approx. 6.1 kg

RECARO Podium L is suitable for larger build drivers. The approx. 10 mm thick pads are available in all of the listed cover options.

- Weight incl. pads (velour black): approx. 5.9 kg

Seat cover options
- Velour black
- Alcantara® black
- Leather red
- Alcantara® red
- Leather black

Accessories
- Steel sidemount

* ABE/TÜV component certification with 3-point belt available for many vehicles. For further information on specific vehicles, please contact an authorized RECARO partner (ABE/TÜV component certification only in conjunction with RECARO baseframe and sidemount).

** FIA homologation 8855-1999 only in conjunction with the specified sidemount.
**RECARO UPHOLSTERY MATERIALS**

**Velour:** A robust, easy-care fabric which is also used to upholster RECARO motorsport racing shells.
- **Velour black**
- **Velour Nardo black**

**Nardo:** In combination with the Artista upholstery, this ultra-durable material keeps your side bolsters in perfect shape for a very long time.
- **Nardo gray**
- **Nardo black**

**Artista:** A timelessly elegant fabric for a refined interior. Guarantees longevity and durability.
- **Artista gray**
- **Artista black**

**Ambla leather:** RECARO Ambla leather is a high-quality, highly durable easy-care alternative to leather.
- **Ambla leather black**

**Dinamica suede:** This exclusive suede effect upholstery is highly durable and easy-care with a premium feel.
- **Dinamica suede red**
- **Dinamica suede silver**
- **Dinamica suede black**

**Leather:** RECARO leather is a high-quality material product designed for exacting requirements.
- **Leather black**
- **Leather red**

**Mesh:** The three-dimensional mesh structure of this high-tech fabric is extremely hard-wearing and breathable.
- **Mesh anthracite**

**Notes:** Customers may provide their own bespoke upholstery materials. These must be suitable and approved for use in the automotive sector.

EXPERIENCE RECARO DIFFERENTLY:
**RECARO LIFESTYLE SEATS.**

You can also experience RECARO seats outside the car: With the RECARO Office Line and the 24/7 chairs, we bring the dynamics and sporty design from the road directly to the workplace; with RECARO Maritime seats for boats and yachts, skippers enjoy comfort and ergonomic support on the high seas, and football stars not only like to sit in RECARO seats in their vehicles – players, coaches and physiotherapists all count on RECARO as an expert for ergonomic sitting in the stadium.

**RECARO SEATING TRAINING**

1. Push your bottom as near as possible to the backrest. The distance from the seat to the pedals is adjusted so that your knee is slightly bent when the pedals are fully depressed.
2. Rest your shoulders as closely as possible on the backrest. Set the backrest tilt so that the steering wheel is easy to reach with slightly bent elbows. Shoulder contact must be maintained when the steering wheel is turned.
3. Set the seat height as high as possible. This ensures an unobstructed view to all sides and all displays on the instrument panel.
4. Set the seat cushion tilt so that it is easy to depress the pedals fully. The thighs should rest gently on the seat cushion without exerting pressure on it. Check the backrest tilt before starting the engine.
5. Adjust the extendable seat cushion so that the thighs rest on it to just above the knee. Rule of thumb: two to three fingers. Space between the edge of the seat and the hollow of the knee.
6. The lumbar support has been adjusted correctly when the lumbar part of the back is supported in its natural shape.
7. The seat’s side bolsters should fit so snugly to the body that the upper body is supported comfortably at the sides without being restricted.
8. If possible, adjust the upper edge of the headrest to the same height as the top of the head. Tilt: The distance to the head should be approx. 2 cm.
At RECARO, people are the focal point. With this in mind, here are some comfort dimensions to help you find the seat that’s right for you. Comfort dimensions are the size factors that you feel when you’re behind the wheel, and that have a direct influence on your comfort and performance. They are vital for comfortable sitting. But everyone is different and has different preferences when it comes to comfort. We recommend testing our seats thoroughly at a RECARO service partner before buying.

The comfort dimensions are measured on the upholstery and seams. Small deviations cannot be excluded.

RECARO Ergomed E and ES

RECARO Orthopaed

RECARO Style Topline XL

RECARO Expert S, M, L

RECARO Cross Sportster CS

RECARO Podium

RECARO Sportster CS

RECARO Specialist S, M, L

COMFORT DIMENSIONS

RECARO Podium (ABE) and Pole Position (ABE) Carbon

RECARO Podium M: 358 mm

RECARO Podium L: 316 mm

Seat dimensions
RECARO Specialist M:
- Min. 790 mm
- Max. 845 mm
- Min. 510 mm
- Max. 555 mm
RECARO Specialist L:
- Min. 790 mm
- Max. 945 mm
- Min. 485 mm
- Max. 530 mm

NOTES: FIA-Homologation 8855-1999
- Weight: total shell weight (without mounted parts).
- Dimensions in mm.
- The dimensions of the racing seat RECARO Podium were determined in standard position (upper mounting point at front and lower mounting point at rear).
- The RECARO Podium racing shell can be installed individually in all racing cars. It is also approved in the 50V0 (ABE) area.
- FIA homologation 8855-1999 only in combination with the associated sidemounts.
- The RECARO motorsport seats are made by hand to our highest quality standards. Due to this special manufacturing process, the laminae in exceptional instances result in slight tolerances to the specified dimensions and weights.

NOTES: Weight: total shell weight (without mounted parts).
- Dimensions in mm.
- The seat height indicates the vertical height of the backrest from the top of the headrest to the top of the seat cushion.
- The seat width indicates the width of the seat cushion without side bolsters.
- The seat depth indicates the total horizontal length of the seat cushion (from the front of the cushion to the bottom of the backrest).
- Seats with adjustable headrest:
  - Minimum dimension with retracted headrest. Maximum dimension with fully extended headrest.
- Seats with adjustable backrest were measured at a backrest angle of 73–74°.
- Seat depth indicates the total horizontal length of the seat cushion (from the front of the cushion to the bottom of the backrest).
# RECARO SYMBOLS

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## FIA-approved racing seat or sidemount.

The new ‘FIA Approved’ logo indicates which product from the respective manufacturer is approved under which official homologation number according to the FIA standard.

**MANUFACTURER:** Information about the manufacturer  
**MODEL:** Product designation  
**HOM. NO:** Number under which the product is homologated  
**FIA STANDARD:** Information about the approved FIA standard

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