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CG LOCK

CG claim this is the biggest seatbelt innovation since the inertia reel belt. But how good is it?

No matter how supportive they seem on the road, most production car seats don't give the support you need for hard track driving. The usual solution is a full race harness and bucket seat, but on a normal road car, especially one where you need to use the rear seats, this is a pain.

This is where the CG Lock comes in. Designed to give 80 percent of the support of a full race harness, but with none of the hassle involved, the CG Lock seemed to promise a lot for such a basic looking product. It's designed to lock the lap part of the seatbelt tight against you, which is supposed to hold you in place. Fitting was simple, two minutes and two Allen key bolts; in fact it was so simple I wasn't sure I'd done it correctly, and even less sure it would do any good. How wrong I was! While testing it in the harshest way possible – competing in round three of the Toyota Sprint Series – I was amazed by how effective it was. On the other hand, it is quite heavy and took a nick out of the plastic trim in the Auris. It's also reasonably expensive when you consider cheap harnesses start at a little over £40. Definitely worth a look, though. Stav

Price £39.99

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✓ FOR:

- Simple
- Easy to fit
- Effective

✗ AGAINST:

- Quite heavy
- Can be cumbersome
- Not the cheapest

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