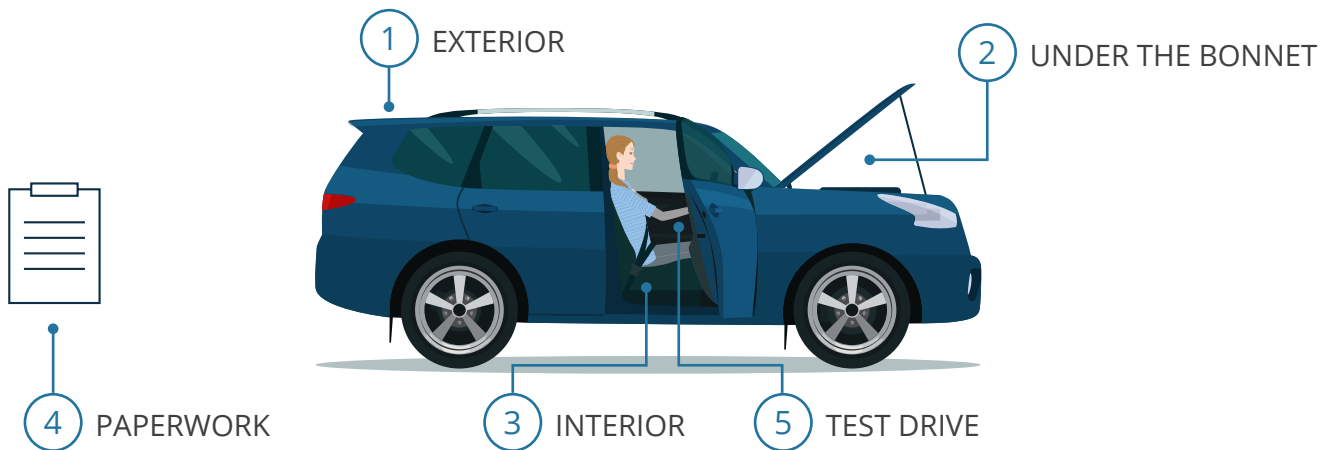


# INSPECTION & TEST DRIVING CHECKLIST

Bring this checklist with you when you are meeting sellers. You can print this off and take with you (remember a pen or use the PDF online by clicking on the checklist boxes).\*

WHAT YOU MAY NEED	NOTES
<input type="checkbox"/> Pen (if printed)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Paper towel	
<input type="checkbox"/> Magnet	
<input type="checkbox"/> A friend	



## CHECKLIST

### 1. EXTERIOR

- Check the paint for bubbles and changes in colour. Use the magnet to check for body filler (won't stick to filler).
- Look at the door seals and the edge of all the panels to check they fit properly.
- Check the tyres for uneven wear, this could indicate poor steering or suspension issues.
- Check under the car for oil leaks.
- Check the front/rear lights, indicators, and brake lights are all working — ask your friend to assist.

### 2. UNDER THE BONNET

- Check the car oil level, might not be a good sign if empty. Also look for grey or milky oil it may indicate serious engine problems.
- Check the engine space for corrosion or other damage, key spots are the radiator cooling fans and the battery.

### 3. INSIDE THE CAR

- Check that the seatbelts are in good condition, they work and that they are comfortable.
- Ensure all windows, air conditioning, audio and other electronics are working.
- Turn the car on and check for any engine or warning lights.

### 4. PAPERWORK

- If it's a private sale, check the seller owns the car.
- Compare the seller details with the registration papers.
- You may need a certificate of worthiness/roadworthy, so be sure to check with the road transport authority in your state.
- Match the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) date of manufacture, engine number and number plates with those on the registration papers.

### 5. TEST DRIVE

- Ensure the car is adequately insured before you drive the car.
- When putting the car in park/drive listen for harsh clunks. Spend 15-20 minutes on a test drive to establish how the car performs.
- Check the engine runs smoothly and that gears change smoothly up and down. Turn down the radio so you can hear properly.
- Check if the car pulls to one side (make sure you're on a straight road).
- Check the dashboard for warning lights illuminated and the temperature gauge needle pointing into the red.
- Safely check the brakes a few times. The brake pedal should feel firm.