

Dashboard

- Hazard lights working
- Headlights (high/low) working
- Breaklights working
- Car alarm works
- Cruise Control working
- Gas Guage working
- No warning lights lite
- Seat Belt light working
- Speedometer working
- Turn Signals working
- Trip Counter working
- Wipers work
- Wiper fluid dispenses

Tires & Brakes

- All same size
- Tread worn evenly
- Inflated properly
- Jack & lug wrench
- Security Lugs
- Tread worn evenly
- Spare tire inflated
- Brakes - Does not pull to one side*
- Parking brake works

*When applying the brakes the Vehicle steers straight and does not pull to one side.

Body

- Body panels - colors match
- Fresh paint job*
- No body scratches
- No body dents
- Seams - Doors & fender aligned
- Seams - Trunk aligned
- Windshield free of cracks

*if yes, it could be to conceal rust

Interior

- All gauges work
- Air conditioner working
- Doors open & closes with key
- Defrosters back/front working
- Heater working
- No heavy scent air freshener
- Power windows operate properly*
- Seat belts functional
- Seats unworn & free of cracks
- Seats adjust properly
- Sunroof opens and closes properly
- Stereo working
- Trunk opens & closes

* may indicate a problem being concealed

Engine

- Battery terminals corrosion free
- Exhaust emissions not blue*
- Exhaust emissions not black**
- Free of fluid or oil leaks
- Oil dip stick - no dark-black oil
- No Odor while engine running

* indicates engine burns oil

**indicates excessive oil consumption

Automatic Transmission

- Transmission fluid looks clean*
- Each gear shifts smoothly
- No grinding noises in Reverse

* Dirty or gritty can indicate possible internal transmission problem.

Frame

- Chassis not bent/cracked
- No signs of crumpling

Test Drive

- No grinding sounds
- No noises or vibrations
- No noise on Turns
- No pull to 1-side when braking
- No rattles or squeaks
- No transmission clunking sounds
- Power to climb hills
- Power to pass safely
- Vehicle does not drift
- Accelerates smoothly
- Brakes work smoothly
- Goes straight when hands off wheel
- Good steering control
- Revs not too high when idling
- Shifts smoothly between gears
- Quiet Fans (air & heat)
- Quiet Heater/Air conditioner

Choose a half hour route that goes through city streets, winding hills and fast driving freeway.

Suspension

- Vehicle rests level
- Corners respond when bouncing*

When bouncing the vehicle's corners, no creaking noises are made and the car resumes its position.

