

RANDY ADAMS

47-POINT TRUCK INSPECTION

CHECKLIST

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EXTERIOR – First 60 seconds

1. ☐ Truck sits perfectly level? (springs/frame)
2. ☐ Tire wear even all four corners? (cupping = alignment issues)
3. ☐ All four tires same brand & tread depth
4. ☐ Rust bubbles – cab corners, rockers, bed floor
5. ☐ Door/hood/tailgate gaps even both sides
6. ☐ Signs of repaint or overspray
7. ☐ Frame rails freshly undercoated (hiding rust?)
8. ☐ Bed bolts ever removed/replaced?
9. ☐ Evidence of front-end collision repair
10. ☐ Windshield cracks in driver's line of sight

UNDER THE HOOD

11. ☐ Oil cap – milky/chocolate milk = blown head gasket
12. ☐ Coolant correct color, no oil floating
13. ☐ Belts cracked or squealing
14. ☐ Tensioner/idler pulley bouncing
15. ☐ Radiator fins bent or clogged

- 16. ☐ Air filter filthy (“black death”)
- 17. ☐ Battery terminals corroded / date code >5 yrs
- 18. ☐ Signs of EGR/DPF delete
- 19. ☐ Turbo oil lines weeping
- 20. ☐ Transmission cooler lines leaking

INTERIOR & ELECTRONICS

- 21. ☐ Odor – mold, smoke, pets
- 22. ☐ Seats torn or bolsters collapsed
- 23. ☐ Any warning lights on cold start?
- 24. ☐ A/C ice-cold within 60 seconds
- 25. ☐ Heater hot instantly
- 26. ☐ All power windows/locks/mirrors/seats work
- 27. ☐ Radio & all speakers work

TEST DRIVE

- 28. ☐ Cold start – how many cranks?
- 29. ☐ Excessive smoke on startup
- 30. ☐ Idle smooth or rough/lopey?
- 31. ☐ Transmission shifts firm & smooth (no slam/flare)
- 32. ☐ 4x4 engages cleanly
- 33. ☐ Brakes pull or pulsate?
- 34. ☐ Death wobble above 50 mph
- 35. ☐ Steering play or wandering
- 36. ☐ Suspension noises over bumps
- 37. ☐ Engine power strong for the model

UNDERNEATH & FINAL RED FLAGS

- 38. ☐ Frame rust-through or previous welds
- 39. ☐ Exhaust rust holes or missing cats/DPF
- 40. ☐ Fuel tank straps rusted
- 41. ☐ Rear diff or transfer case leaking
- 42. ☐ Fresh oil drips underneath
- 43. ☐ Mismatched VIN tags
- 44. ☐ Salvage/rebuilt title not disclosed
- 45. ☐ Seller refuses scan or lift inspection
- 46. ☐ Extremely low miles vs pedal wear
- 47. ☐ Seller mentions any “minor” leak

INSTANT WALK-AWAY TRIGGERS (see even ONE → RUN)

Frame patches • Milky oil • Fresh oil change right before you arrived • Hidden salvage title • Won't let you scan or lift it

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Proverbs 22:1 – “A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches.”