

PORSCHE 924 BUYING CHECKLIST

CAR: _____ VIN: _____ DATE: _____

BODY & RUST (STRUCTURAL AREAS)	✓	NOTES
Check battery tray for rust (can compromise firewall and front suspension mount)		
Check floor pans and rear seat wells for rust from window seals or HVAC leaks		
Look at the spare tire well in the rear trunk for water damage and corrosion		
Inspect rocker panels and lower fenders - prone to rust behind the side skirts		
Check the front suspension mounting points for structural rust or cracks		
Inspect inside wheel wells for signs of undercoating failure and bubbling paint		
ENGINE AND MECHANICAL	✓	NOTES
924S - confirm timing belt and water pump were replaced every 30k miles		
924 Turbo (931) - check for turbo, boost pressure issues, and blue smoke		
Look for oil leaks at spots - valve cover gasket, front crankshaft seal, rear seal		
Listen for ticking - could indicate worn valve lifters or timing belt tensioner issues		
Ensure working cooling system - blocked radiators can cause overheating		
On early cars, inspect K-Jet fuel injection for vacuum leaks and fuel delivery		
TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN	✓	NOTES
Test for grinding in 2nd and 3rd gear, a common sign of worn synchros		
Check for a sloppy or vague shifter, indicates worn shift linkage bushings		
Clutch engages well - hard engagement or slipping could be worn clutch		
Check reverse - tough engaging is known issue due to worn linkage bushings		

Listen for whining or vibration at higher speeds - could point to worn bearings	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Inspect CV joints and axle boots for cracks/leaks grease - listen for clicking turns	<input type="checkbox"/>	
S U S P E N S I O N & S T E E R I N G	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N O T E S
Check for excessive play in steering - indicate a worn steering rack or tie rods	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Front control arm bushings and ball joints - clunking over bumps could be wear	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ensure the car sits level—sagging rear springs are a common issue	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Listen for clunking or rattling noises when driving over rough surfaces	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Inspect the torsion bar mounts and trailing arm connections for rust or cracks	<input type="checkbox"/>	
B R A K E S Y S T E M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N O T E S
Test brakes - ensure pedal is firm and doesn't sink under pressure	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Inspect the brake calipers for leaks—original calipers are prone to failure	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Check the rotors and pads for wear—look for grooved or warped rotors	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ensure it brakes evenly - pulling to one side could indicate a stuck caliper	<input type="checkbox"/>	
E L E C T R I C A L S Y S T E M	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N O T E S
Test the pop-up headlights - ensure they raise and lower smoothly	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Inspect alternator and voltage regulator - slow cranking or dim lights aren't good	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Check gauges, specifically fuel and oil gauges, as sensor failures are common	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Inspect wiring harness for brittle wires and amateur repairs, especially in engine	<input type="checkbox"/>	