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 Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____
 VIN #: _____ Mileage: _____
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WELL CHECK CHECKLIST - a walk around the car before driving it.

COMPONENT	WORKS	LEAKS	NEEDS FIX	INOPERABLE	NOTES
Headlights- High and Low Beams					
Fog Lights (If Equipped)					
Wipers, Horn, Turn Signals					
Brake Lights, Including 3rd Brake					
Back up and License Plate Lights					
Belts Cracked?					
Timing Belt Interval					
Oil (Full, Clean)					
Transmission Fluid					
Power Steering Fluid					
Washer Fluid					
Brake Fluid					
Def Fluid (Diesel)					
All Glass, Mirrors					
Tires (Tread Depth and Condition)					
Brakes Front, Rear, Parking					
Seat Belts					
Heater and A/C					
Gas Cap					
Shocks, Struts					
Anything Hanging (under Vehicle)					
Muffler/exhaust System					
Headliner					
Windows up and down					
Seats: Function and Condition					
Lights on Dash					
Metal Lines					
Excessive Rust On/under Car					
Battery Condition / Age					
Check for Spare Tire and Jack					
Check Glove Box for Manual.					

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TEST DRIVE CHECKLIST

ACTION	NOTES
Familiarize yourself with controls and knobs.	
Start engine; listen for any odd sounds.	
Does the car feel comfortable with no blind spot from the driver's seat?	
Set Emergency brake. Place in gear, while brakes are "On," apply a slight acceleration, testing if emergency brake holds. (Good indicator of rear brake condition.)	
Release the emergency brake, roll forward slowly then apply foot brakes to stop.	
<i>Now, proceed to "Road Test."</i>	
Do a couple of combination of acceleration and slowing down slowly, then faster acceleration and quicker or harder braking and note any unusual operation.	
While braking harder, note how much the front of the car dives down. (Check of shocks and struts.)	
At speeds above 30 mph, check cruise control. Check that it disengages when brakes are applied.	
While driving at about 30 mph, check steering wheel for any vibrations. Apply light braking and look for any movement (or vibration) in the steering wheel (brake rotor test.)	
While driving, does car want to pull to the left or right?	
When turning, check that the vehicle "turn signals" cancel themselves.	
On a highway, accelerate to above 60 mph slowly feeling for any vibration in chassis or in transmission shifting intervals. Feel for hard shifting. Also note if steering wheel "jerks" if you hit a small bump in the road.	
Does car have sufficient passing acceleration (does it downshift quickly and smoothly?)	
Does car have sufficient hill-climbing power?	
Slowing down, notice if the transmission downshifts properly as you come to a stop.	
As you come to a stop, the car should slowly creep forward when you remove braking.	
Take a short trip at highway speeds after you are comfortable with it to see how it is handling.	