

THRIFTING HANDBAGS?

5 checks before you buy



1

OUTSIDE WEAR

Check corners, handles and seams.



2

INSIDE THE BAG

Look for stains, tears and odors.



3

HARDWARE & STRAPS

Test closures. Check missing parts.



4

LABELS & DETAILS

Record markings and measurements.



5

CHECK YOUR COMPS

Compare sold bags in similar condition.

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Make the checks useful.

What each check accomplishes

- 1. Outside wear:** Decide whether the condition is something you can accurately show and sell.
- 2. Inside the bag:** Avoid buying a cleanup project without counting the work and uncertainty.
- 3. Hardware and missing parts:** Missing or damaged parts can change the value and the buyer's expectations.
- 4. Identification you can support:** Identify the closest comparable bag and write an accurate description.
- 5. Check your comps:** Compare sold bags in similar condition, with similar accessories. Then decide whether the likely profit is worth your costs and time.

A quick example

You find a bag with a readable model code and a working zipper, but the corners are rubbed and the shoulder strap is missing. Compare it with sold bags showing similar wear and missing accessories - not pristine, complete examples. Photograph both issues and include them in the listing.

Before you list a branded bag

This checklist does not authenticate handbags. If you are unsure a branded bag is genuine, resolve that before listing. eBay allows an item to be listed only when you are certain it is genuine. Do not treat a tag, code, dust bag or checklist as proof.

Useful next steps

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Research sources

[eBay: Counterfeit policy](#)

[eBay: Product Research](#)

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