

The HomePinballRepair.com Guide To Buying A SS Pinball Machine – Checklist

Name of the Pin: _____ **Seller Name/Contact:** _____

Asking Price: _____ **Fair Price¹:** _____

Items to Bring: Sockets, screwdrivers, ratchet straps, dolly, drill, cardboard/protective cloth.

Item	Rating (+, O, -) & Notes
Playfield	
Backglass (flaking)	
Cabinet (fading, dings, holes, etc.)	
Legs (rusty)	
Coin Door (damage, rust)	
Switch Test	
Solenoid Test	
Lamp Test	
Flashers	
Display Tests (burned, missing lines)	
Flippers (rebuilt?, strong, line up)	
Rubber Rings	
Circuit Boards (battery damage ²)	
Circuit Boards (hacks)	
Wiring / Plugs (burns or hacks)	
Electric Wall Plug & Cord – 3 rd Prong	
Topper (if applicable)	
Extras (LEDs)	
Extras (playfield additions)	

If there are a lot of (-) minuses, lower the value of the machine. A missing topper can be worth hundreds of dollars. Flaking backglass can be a minus, or a deal breaker depending on condition.

¹ Using Mr. Pinball Guide, Pinside, or other sources as outlined on the webpage.

² If there is battery damage, expect to have to replace that circuit board. Cost can be several hundred dollars.