Pre-purchase inspection

2024 Toyota Tacoma SR5 · Prepared November 25, 2026 at 9:58 PM

VIN	3TYLB5JN6RT014823
Mileage	18,400 mi
Seller asking	$33,500
Maximum offer	$34,230
Estimated repairs	$470
Decision	Offer $31,800
Recalls (model year)	5

Listing and seller questions

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Why are they selling?	OK		
How long have they owned it?	OK		
Any accidents, flood or fire damage?	OK		
Service records available?	OK		
Any warning lights or known problems?	OK		
Is the price negotiable?	OK		

Title and paperwork

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Title in hand and in the seller's name	OK		
Title status: clean, salvage, rebuilt or lien	OK		
Seller's ID matches the title	OK		
Registration current	OK		

VIN checks

Item	Result	Note	Cost
VIN on the dash matches the title	OK		
VIN on the door jamb sticker matches	OK		
No signs the VIN plates were tampered with	OK		

Exterior and body

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Rust (wheel wells, rocker panels, doors)	OK		
Paint color matches on every panel	OK		
Even panel gaps	OK		
Flood signs (silt, water lines, musty smell)	OK		
Glass, mirrors and lights	Concern	Rock chip in the windshield	$90

Under the hood

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Oil level and color (no milky oil)	OK		
Coolant level and color	OK		
Leaks (oil, coolant, power steering)	OK		
Belts and hoses	OK		
Battery and terminals	OK		

Codes and warning lights

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Scan for trouble codes (OBD-II)	OK		
Check engine light	OK		
Airbag, ABS and traction lights	OK		

Cold start

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Engine cold when you arrive	OK		
Starts easily, idles smoothly	OK		
No smoke from the exhaust	OK		
No knocking or ticking	OK		

Test drive

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Shifts smoothly (no slipping or harsh shifts)	OK		
Brakes stop straight, no grinding	OK		

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Steering straight, no pulling	OK		
No clunks over bumps	OK		
Cruise, highway speed, no vibration	OK		

Underneath

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Frame: no rust-through or bent sections	OK		
Exhaust: no holes or loud leaks	OK		
Suspension and CV boots	OK		

Tires and brakes

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Tread depth and even wear	Concern	Tires at 6/32	
Tire age and matching brands	OK		
Brake pads and rotors	OK		

Interior and electrics

Item	Result	Note	Cost
AC blows cold, heat works	OK		
Windows, locks and mirrors	OK		
Radio, screens and backup camera	OK		
Seats, headliner and carpet	OK		
Keys and remotes (how many?)	Problem	Only one key	$380

Known problems for this model

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Known issues researched (transmission, timing chain, etc.)	OK		
Open recalls checked	Concern	Open recall: rear brake hoses	

Decision and offer

Item	Result	Note	Cost
Repair costs added up	OK		
Maximum offer checked	OK		
Decision made: go, walk away or offer	OK		