

Pre-Purchase examinations:

Two Stage pre-purchase exam: The two-stage exam provides a basic overview of all of the major body systems. The exam is intended to take approximately 45 minutes. The soundness examination consists of limb palpation, observation on both a straight line and on a lunge line/round pen and a single flexion of each limb. Additional tests/flexions may incur an additional charge.

Four stage pre-purchase exam: The four stage exam provides a more in-depth view of the major body systems, most notably a significantly longer soundness examination including work under saddle. The exam will take approximately 2 hours and the seller, buyer or agent should be prepared to ride the horse. This exam also provides a separate neurologic exam, dilation of the eyes for a complete view of the back of the eye, conformational analysis, and examination of the horse's heart and lungs both before and after exercise.

Pre-purchase exam comparison table:

	Two Stage	Four Stage
Length of time	45 minutes	2 hours
Basic exam of body	Yes	Yes
Exam on lunge line	Yes	Yes
Flexions per leg	1	2-3
Health Certificate (if requested)	Yes	Yes
Conformation analysis	No	Yes
Exam under saddle	No	Yes
Heart/Lung exam after exercise	No	Yes
Neurological exam	Basic based on lameness exam	Yes: separate exam in addition to lameness exam
Pupil dilation for exam of the back of the eye	No	Yes
Price	\$100	\$225

Please keep the following statement with either examination:

While this examination is thorough, and is intended to assist the buyer in making an informed decision, the findings are specific observations by the examining veterinarian on one particular day and time. No warranty can be given on future soundness or health of the horse.