

Checklist: Buying a used V-drum kit

Bring: sticks, headphones and stereo jack adapter

1. Overall condition:

- Impression of the kit
- Clean or dusty?
- Rust on the metal parts

2. Module:

- Switch on and play
- Press every button (to check if they are working)
- Check all jack plugs, are they loose
- LCD screen in good working order (no lines of dark pixels)

3. Hi hat pedal (FD-8)

- Smooth transition between opened and closed HI hat
- Pedal s reacting fast
- Both spike screws are

4. Cymbals

- Is every zone working (bow and edge, bell only on CY-12, 13,15R)
- Choke function (also on HI hat)
- Original Roland mount, non spinning cymbals
- Rubber condition (cracks, wasted)

5. Snare pad

- Mesh head condition (holes, dirt, liquid)
- Rusty screws?
- Head and rim sound (2 zones)

6. Tom pads

- Rubber condition
- Head and rim sound on middle class kits

7. Kick pad

- No missing screws
- Check for rusty parts

8. Cables

- Kinks, taped, stretched or other damages?
- Loose jack plugs?

9. Rack

- No missing screws
- Clamps and mounts are a good working order (don't slip)
- Scratches, damages

Reasons to not buy the kid:

1.) Incidents of liquid on the module. Damages related to the module are critical. Electronic repairs are complicated and not always possible. Lines on the screen, broken buttons loose or damaged jack plugs.

2.) The metal plates of kick or HI hat pedals are totally rusty and the colouring comes off. It could mean the kit was placed in a wet area.

General tips when buying second hand:

- Ask why the person is selling the kit
- Have a look at the negative ratings if you want to buy online
- Never buy under time pressure