



# Advanced Web Application Pentesting Checklist

## ✓ 1. Advanced Recon & Fingerprinting

- [ ] Use [Wappalyzer](#), [BuiltWith](#), [WhatWeb](#) to identify technologies
- [ ] Identify 3rd party libraries and look for known CVEs
- [ ] Analyze JS files for sensitive data (keys, endpoints)

## ✓ 2. Advanced Injection Attacks

- [ ] Time-based blind SQLi
- [ ] Second-order SQLi
- [ ] NoSQL Injection (MongoDB, etc.)
- [ ] XPath Injection
- [ ] SSRF (Server-Side Request Forgery)
- [ ] XXE (XML External Entity)

## ✓ 3. Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) Advanced

- [ ] DOM-based XSS
- [ ] Bypass WAF and filters using payload obfuscation
- [ ] Use different contexts: `<script>`, attributes, JS event handlers

## ✓ 4. CSRF & Business Logic Testing

- [ ] Check CSRF protections (token validation, same-origin policy)
- [ ] Perform logic abuse (e.g., coupon reuse, price modification)
- [ ] Abuse workflows (e.g., password reset without email verification)

## ✓ 5. Authentication & Token Handling

- [ ] JWT token manipulation (e.g., change algorithm to `none`)

- [ ] Replay attacks with tokens
- [ ] OAuth and OpenID misconfigurations

## 6. Privilege Escalation & Access Control

- [ ] Tamper with user roles in cookies or tokens
- [ ] Modify hidden fields to access restricted functions
- [ ] Access internal APIs through a public interface

## 7. File Upload & RCE

- [ ] Bypass MIME type/content-type validation
- [ ] Upload web shells and test for RCE
- [ ] Try PHP filters and wrappers to bypass restrictions

## 8. Client-Side Security

- [ ] Test for insecure use of `localStorage`, `sessionStorage`
- [ ] Analyze client-side logic in JS files
- [ ] CSP (Content Security Policy) misconfigurations

## 9. WebSockets & APIs

- [ ] Test WebSockets for input validation
- [ ] Enumerate and fuzz API endpoints
- [ ] Test for GraphQL introspection, mutations

## 10. Tools to Use

- [ ] **Recon:** Amass, Sublist3r, Nmap
- [ ] **Scanning:** Burp Suite Pro, OWASP ZAP, Nikto
- [ ] **Fuzzing:** ffuf, wfuzz
- [ ] **Exploitation:** SQLmap, XSSStrike, JWT Cracker