# OSCE Checklist: Varicose Vein Examination

## Introduction
- Introduce yourself
- Wash hands
- Briefly explain to the patient what the examination involves

## Inspection
- Scars indicating previous surgery
- Varicose eczema
- Haemosiderin staining or atrophie blanche
- Ulceration
- Lipodermatosclerosis

Inspect for obvious varicosities

Check for signs of arterial or neuropathic disease

## Palpation
- Perform the cough test
- Feel for any saphena varix

## Percussion
- Perform the tap test (if obvious varicosities present)

## Special Tests
- Trendelenburg's test
- Perthe's test

## Completing the Examination
- Thank the patient and allow them to redress
- To complete the examination:
  - Doppler Ultrasound Scan
  - Peripheral Vascular Examination