IOTPAPA / PRACTICAL WORKSHEET

Connected-device purchase checklist

Fit the complete system.

Candidate / exact variant

Research date

01 Define the useful outcome

What should the device do, for whom, and how will you recognise a useful result?

Evidence / question

Unknown

02 Identify the exact item

Record the model, generation, hardware variant, firmware and market. Avoid family-name assumptions.

Evidence / question

Unknown

03 Map the system roles

What device, hub/controller, border router, app and account roles are needed? Who supplies each?

Evidence / question

Unknown

04 Check the function you need

Find model-specific evidence for the exact function and device combination. What still needs a real test?

Evidence / question

Unknown

05 Identify service dependencies

Which functions need internet, cloud access, subscriptions or an account? What works when a service is unavailable?

Evidence / question

Unknown

06 Check setup and physical fit

Record documented power, placement, network and installation requirements. Who is qualified to install or support it?

Evidence / question

Unknown

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Check continuing ownership.

Documented = source found. Tested = your recorded test. Unknown is not a failure score.

07 Review updates and access

Find the stated update/support policy, access controls and account-recovery route. Which details remain unclear?

Evidence / question

Unknown

08 Understand the data

What is collected, where does it go, who can access it, and how can you export or delete your records?

Evidence / question

Unknown

09 Confirm the local support route

Who sells, warrants, installs and supports this exact market variant? Record the actual provider and dated terms.

Evidence / question

Unknown

10 Read the return conditions

Check the seller's published return, replacement and cancellation conditions for this exact item and transaction.

Evidence / question

Unknown

11 Record the continuing cost

Include hardware, required extras, setup, subscriptions, connectivity, maintenance and exit. Keep uncertain amounts unknown.

Evidence / question

Unknown

12 Plan transfer and exit

How will you reset, remove accounts, transfer ownership, retain useful data or replace the service later?

Evidence / question

Unknown

Use the source URL, date and exact scope in each evidence field. Explain any Not applicable decision.

A status records your research. It is not a compatibility, security or safety certification.

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