

CLINICAL EXAMINATION: ELBOW

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INSPECTION AND PALPATION (Pre and post clinical testing)

- Temperature
- Swelling

Bilateral wrist extension

Bilateral wrist flexion

Active Extension

Active Flexion

Active Pronation

Active Supination

Passive Extension

Passive Flexion

Passive Pronation

Passive Supination

Passive Valgus in Flexion/Supination

Passive Valgus in Flexion/Pronation

Resisted Flexion

Resisted Extension

Resisted Supination

Resisted Pronation

Resisted Wrist Extension

- resisted radial deviation
- resisted ulnar deviation
- resisted extension of fingers 2 & 3
- resisted extension of fingers 4 & 5

Resisted Wrist Flexion

EXTRA TESTS:

Resisted elbow flexion in supinated forearm

Resisted elbow flexion in pronated forearm

Pull (Wolff) test: (resisted wrist extension with distal pull on the radius)

Pivot shift: posterolateral instability (O'Driscoll) test

Sustained passive valgus in full extension

Milking sign

Neural Tension Tests

- Median nerve
- Radial nerve
- Ulnar nerve