

Table of classical signs on respiratory examination

Condition	Expansion	Trachea	Percussion	Breath sounds	Vocal resonance	Added sounds
Consolidation	↓ on affected side	Normal	Dull	Bronchial	↑	Coarse Creps
Fibrosis	↓ on affected side	Towards	Normal	Normal	↑	Fine Creps
Effusion	↓ on affected side	Away	Stony dull	Absent	↓	None
Pneumothorax	↓ on affected side	Away if tension	Resonant	Reduced	↓	None
Asthma	↓ bilaterally	Normal	Normal	Prolonged expiratory phase	Normal	Wheeze
Bronchiectasis	↔	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Creps – may change with cough
Collapse	↓ on affected side	Towards	Dull	Reduced	↓	None