

Checkout Damage Assessment Checklist

Written against Shopify API version 2026-07. Every date and quotation verified against shopify.dev, help.shopify.com or the Shopify community changelog on 1 August 2026.

Four of the five checkout deadlines have passed. This checklist is for working out what was already lost, not for planning a migration.

1. Establish What Applies To You

Answer these first. The path differs by plan.

- ☐ Confirm whether the store is on Shopify Plus. The automatic upgrade guidance applies to Plus. Non Plus stores follow different instructions.
- ☐ Note the date the store first went live on Shopify. Anything created after the relevant sunset dates was never on the legacy architecture.
- ☐ Establish whether anyone edited `checkout.liquid` or Additional Scripts at any point. If nobody did, most of section 4 will be empty.
- ☐ Find out who held the tracking setup. It is often an agency or a contractor who has moved on.

2. The Dates, For Reference

DATE	WHAT HAPPENED	WHO
13 Aug 2024	Deadline to move Information, Shipping and Payment pages off <code>checkout.liquid</code>	Plus
28 Aug 2025	<code>checkout.liquid</code> and additional scripts sunset on Thank You and Order Status. Script tags sunset on those pages	Plus
Jan 2026	Automatic upgrades began. Page customisations and analytics scripts lost	Plus
30 Jun 2026	Shopify Scripts deprecated and deactivated	All plans that had Scripts
26 Aug 2026	Script tags sunset on Thank You and Order Status	Non Plus

3. The Tracking Check, Do This First

This is the item most likely to be costing money now, because a tracking failure presents as weak advertising performance rather than as a fault.

- ☐ Pull monthly Shopify order counts for the last 24 months.
- ☐ Pull monthly reported conversions from each ad platform for the same period.
- ☐ Plot the two together and look for a **step change on a single date**, not a gradual drift. A drift is usually a performance story. A step is usually a technical one.
- ☐ Check specifically around 28 August 2025 (Plus) and any date in January 2026 (auto upgrade).
- ☐ If a step is present, check whether ad spend was reduced in response to it.
- ☐ List every conversion tag, server side bridge and reporting script that used to run on the Thank You or Order Status pages.
- ☐ For each one, confirm whether it has been rebuilt as a web pixel.

Keep these two effects separate. They are not the same failure.

1. Additional scripts and `checkout.liquid` were **sunset** on those pages, so anything running inside them stopped running. That is the tracking breakage.
2. Personally identifiable information separately became **inaccessible** through additional scripts, `checkout.liquid`, or `checkout_completed` pixel events. That degrades identity matching. It is not the same as an event ceasing to fire.

4. What Was On The Pages

- ☐ Information, Shipping and Payment pages: list any customisation that existed before the migration, including field changes, messaging, trust badges and conditional logic.
- ☐ Thank You page: list customisations, upsell blocks, survey embeds and tracking.
- ☐ Order Status page: same again, plus anything an app injected.
- ☐ For a Plus store auto upgraded from January 2026, treat all of the above as lost unless proven otherwise. Shopify's guidance is that all page customisations and all analytics scripts on legacy pages are lost during automatic upgrade.
- ☐ Check whether any of these were business critical, for example a compliance notice or a required disclosure.

5. Shopify Scripts

- ☐ List every Shopify Script the store had published.
- ☐ Confirm what each one did: discount logic, shipping rules, payment method restrictions.
- ☐ For each, confirm what now performs that job. As of 30 June 2026 Shopify Scripts is deprecated, and any Scripts still published were deactivated and no longer work.
- ☐ Check for silent behaviour change since 1 July 2026, for example a tiered discount that stopped applying or a payment method that reappeared at checkout.

6. Non Plus Stores, One Date Still Ahead

- ☐ Confirm the store is not on Plus.
- ☐ List every app that writes to the Thank You or Order Status pages.
- ☐ Identify which of those use script tags.
- ☐ For each, confirm the vendor has shipped a pixel or extension based replacement.
- ☐ Diarise **26 August 2026**, when script tags are sunset on those pages for non Plus stores.

7. Mapping Legacy Work To Its Replacement

LEGACY APPROACH	REPLACEMENT
<code>checkout.liquid</code> edits	Checkout UI extensions
Additional scripts, analytics	Web pixels
Styling through theme code	Checkout Branding API
Discount and shipping logic in Scripts	Shopify Functions
App injected content via script tags	App supplied checkout extensions

Shopify's developer changelog describes checkout extensibility as checkout UI extensions and Shopify Functions to surface new functionality, the Checkout Branding API to customise styling, and Pixels to track events.

8. Sources

1. [shopify.dev](#), `checkout.liquid` layout documentation
2. Thank You and Order Status pages upgrade guide for Plus
[help.shopify.com](#)
3. transitioning from Shopify Scripts to Shopify Functions
[help.shopify.com](#)
4. [shopify.dev](#) changelog, introducing checkout extensibility
5. [community.shopify.com](#) changelog, `checkout.liquid` is being deprecated

All checked 1 August 2026.

Free Shopify Store Audit

If section 3 turned up a step change and you want a second read on it, send the store URL and roughly when the numbers moved. The Shopify store audit costs nothing.

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