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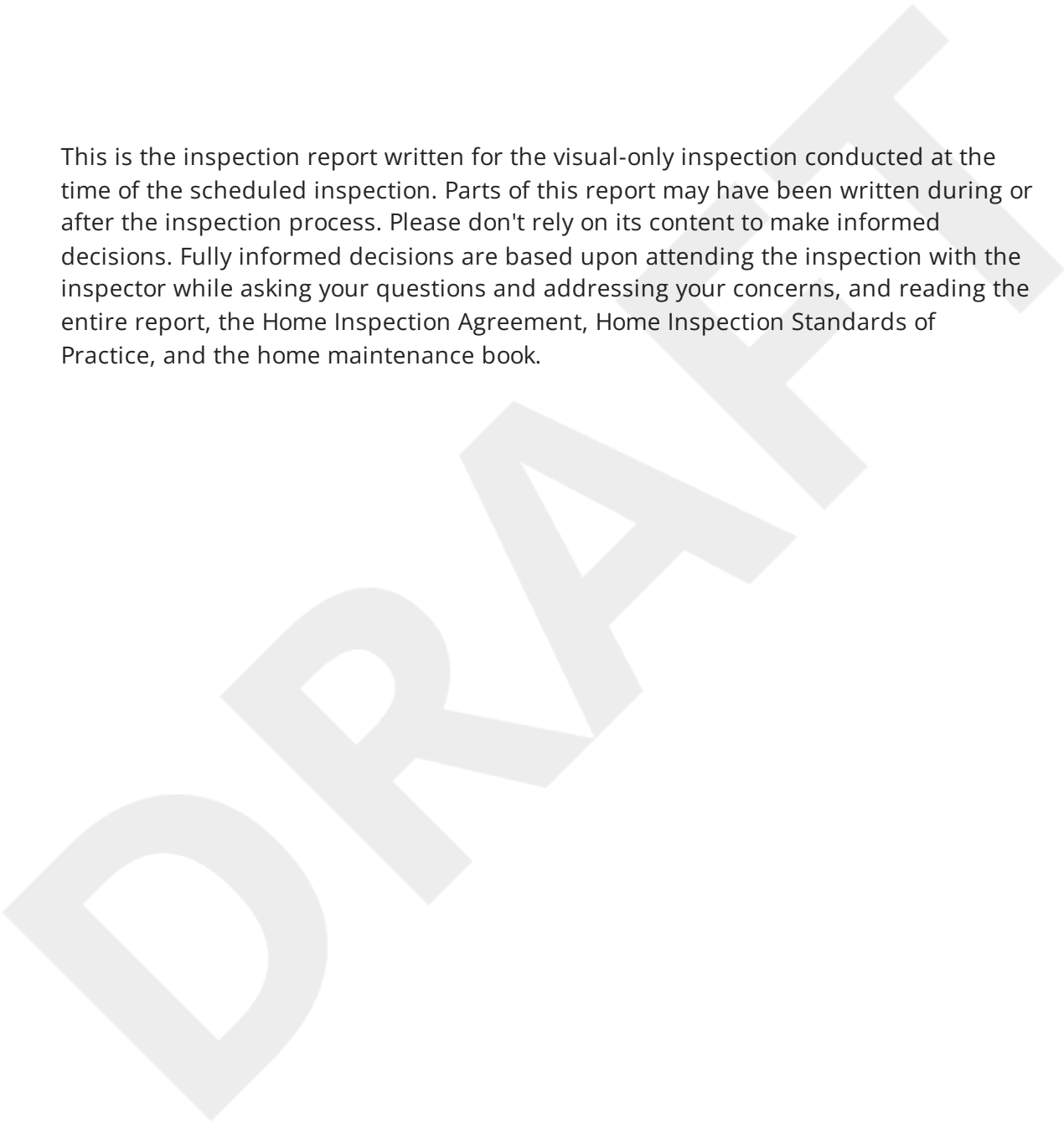
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SUMMARY

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MINOR DEFECT

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MAJOR DEFECT

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1: INSPECTION DETAIL

Information

General Inspection Info: Occupancy Occupied, Furnished	General Inspection Info: Weather Conditions Cloudy, Light Rain, Recent Rain	General Inspection Info: Type of Building Single Family
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General Inspection Info: In Attendance
Client's Agent, Home Owner

I prefer to have my client follow me during their inspection so that we can discuss concerns and I can answer all questions.

Your Job As a Homeowner: What Really Matters in a Home Inspection

Now that you've bought your home and had your inspection, you may still have some questions about your new house and the items revealed in your report.

Home maintenance is a primary responsibility for every homeowner, whether you've lived in several homes of your own or have just purchased your first one. Staying on top of a seasonal home maintenance schedule is important, and your InterNACHI Certified Professional Inspector CPI® can help you figure this out so that you never fall behind. Don't let minor maintenance and routine repairs turn into expensive disasters later due to neglect or simply because you aren't sure what needs to be done and when.

Your home inspection report is a great place to start. In addition to the written report, checklists, photos, and what the inspector said during the inspection not to mention the sellers disclosure and what you noticed yourself it's easy to become overwhelmed. However, it's likely that your inspection report included mostly maintenance recommendations, the life expectancy for the home's various systems and components, and minor imperfections. These are useful to know about.

But the issues that really matter fall into four categories:

1. Major defects, such as a structural failure;
2. Things that can lead to major defects, such as a small leak due to a defective roof flashing;
3. Things that may hinder your ability to finance, legally occupy, or insure the home if not rectified immediately; and
4. Safety hazards, such as an exposed, live buss bar at the electrical panel.

Anything in these categories should be addressed as soon as possible. Often, a serious problem can be corrected inexpensively to protect both life and property (especially in categories 2 and 4).

Most sellers are honest and are often surprised to learn of defects uncovered during an inspection. It's important to realize that sellers are under no obligation to repair everything mentioned in your inspection report. No house is perfect. Keep things in perspective as you move into your new home.

And remember that homeownership is both a joyful experience and an important responsibility, so be sure to call on your InterNACHI Certified Professional Inspector to help you devise an annual maintenance plan that will keep your family safe and your home in good condition for years to come.

Your Job As a Homeowner: Read Your Book



I have provided you with a home maintenance book. It includes information on how your home works, how to maintain it, and how to save energy. Please write my contact information on the book's inside cover, so that you can always contact me.

We're neighbors!

So, feel free to reach out whenever you have a house question or issue. Before you hire a contractor, please let me help you understand what's going on with your house problem that you may be experiencing. I will provide you with an unbiased opinion.

Your Job As a Homeowner: Schedule a Home Maintenance Inspection



Even the most vigilant homeowner can, from time to time, miss small problems or forget about performing some routine home repairs and seasonal maintenance. That's why an Annual Home Maintenance Inspection will help you keep your home in good condition and prevent it from suffering serious, long-term, and expensive damage from minor issues that should be addressed now.

The most important thing to understand as a new homeowner is that your house requires care and regular maintenance. As time goes on, parts of your house will wear out, break down, deteriorate, leak, or simply stop working. But none of these issues means that you will have a costly disaster on your hands if you're on top of home maintenance, and that includes hiring an expert once a year.

Just as you regularly maintain your vehicle, consider getting an Annual Home Maintenance Inspection as part of the cost of upkeep for your most valuable investment your home.

Your InterNACHI-Certified Professional Inspector can show you what you should look for so that you can be an informed homeowner. Protect your family's health and safety, and enjoy your home for years to come by having an Annual Home Maintenance Inspection performed every year.

Schedule next year's maintenance inspection with your home inspector today!

Every house should be inspected every year as part of a homeowner's routine home maintenance plan. Catch problems before they become major defects.

We'll Buy Your Home Back



If your home inspector misses anything, InterNACHI will buy your home back.

And now for the fine print:

- It's valid for home inspections performed for home buyers or sellers by participating InterNACHI members.
- The home must be listed for sale with a licensed real estate agent.
- The Guarantee excludes homes with material defects not present at the time of the inspection, or not required to be inspected, per InterNACHI's Residential Standards of Practice.
- The Guarantee will be honored for 90 days after closing.
- We'll pay you whatever price you paid for the home.

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For details, please visit www.nachi.org/honor.

Limitations

General Inspection Info

THE CLIENT DID NOT ATTEND

We invited the client to attend their home inspection. Unfortunately, my client did not attend the home inspection. The client did not learn what the home inspector desired to teach the client about the house. The client was unable to follow the home inspector through the house and ask questions during the inspection. The client's concerns at the time of the inspection were not addressed. This was a restriction and limitation of the home inspection.

2: ROOF

Information

Roof Inspected According to Standards

Drone, Ground, Ladder

We attempted to inspect the roof from various locations and methods, including from the ground and a ladder.

The inspection was not an exhaustive inspection of every installation detail of the roof system according to the manufacturer's specifications or construction codes. It is impossible to detect a leak except as it is occurring or by exhaustive water tests, which are beyond the scope of our inspection. We recommend that you ask the sellers to disclose information about the roof and include comprehensive roof coverage in your home insurance policy.

According to the InterNACHI® Home Inspection Standards of Practice, the inspector shall inspect, from ground level or the eaves, the roof-covering materials, gutters, downspouts, vents, flashing, skylights, chimney, and other roof penetrations, as well as the general structure of the roof from readily accessible panels, doors, or stairs. The inspector shall describe the type of roof-covering materials observed. Additionally, the inspector shall report any observed indications of active roof leaks as in need of correction.

Homeowner's Responsibility

The exterior of your home is slowly deteriorating and aging. The sun, wind, rain and temperatures are constantly affecting it. Your job is to monitor the buildings exterior for its condition and weathertightness.

Check the condition of all exterior materials and look for developing patterns of damage or deterioration.

During a heavy rainstorm (without lightning), grab an umbrella and go outside. Walk around your house and look around at the roof and property. A rainstorm is the perfect time to see how the roof, downspouts and grading are performing. Observe the drainage patterns of your entire property, as well as the property of your neighbor. The ground around your house should slope away from all sides. Downspouts, surface gutters and drains should be directing water away from the foundation.

Roof Covering: Homeowner's Responsibility

Your job as the homeowner is to monitor the roof covering because any roof can leak. To monitor a roof that is inaccessible or that cannot be walked on safely, use binoculars. Look for deteriorating or loosening of flashing, signs of damage to the roof covering, and debris that can clog valleys and gutters.

Roofs are designed to be water-resistant. Roofs are not designed to be waterproof. Eventually, the roof system will leak. No one can predict when, where, or how a roof will leak.

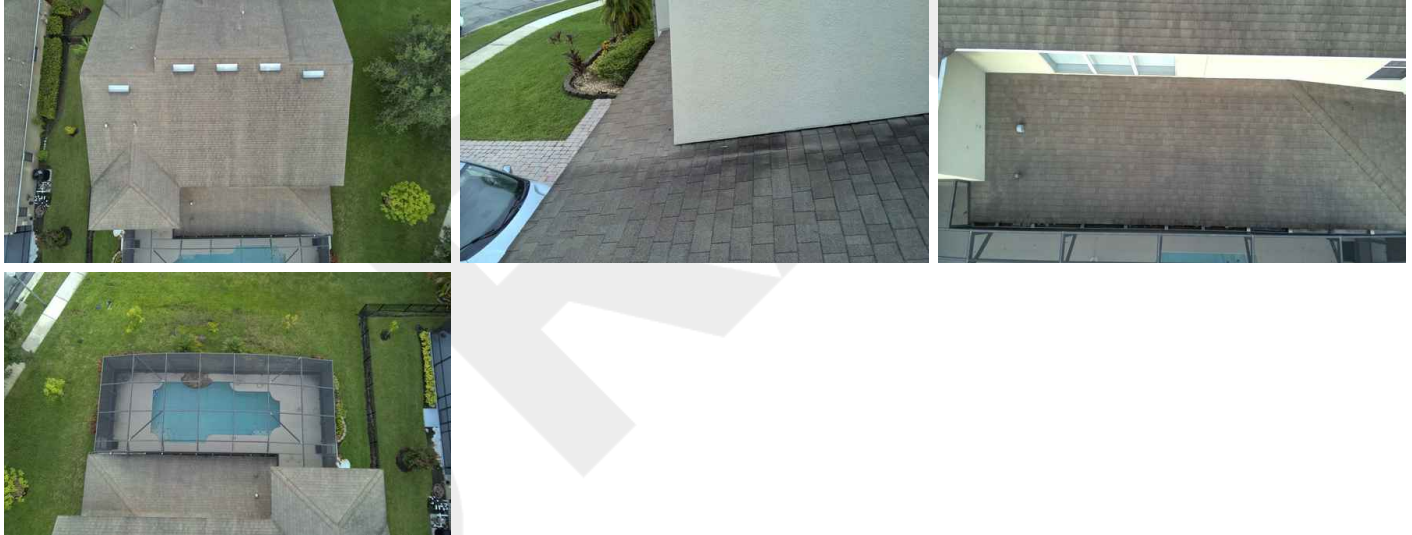
Every roof should be inspected every year as part of a homeowner's routine home maintenance plan. Catch problems before they become major defects.

Roof Covering: Type of Roof-Covering Described

Asphalt

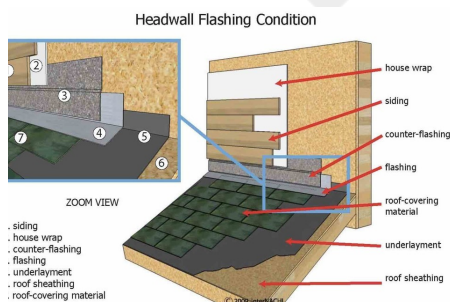
I observed the roof-covering material and attempted to identify its type.

Roof systems are designed to be water-resistant, not waterproof. A home inspection is not a guarantee that a roof leak in the future will not happen. Roofs leak. Even a roof that appears to be in good, functional condition will leak under certain circumstances. We will not take responsibility for a roof leak that happens in the future. This is not a warranty for the roof system.



Flashing: Wall Intersections

I looked for flashing where the roof covering meets a wall, siding material, or other roof penetrations. Step and counter flashing should be installed in these locations. I looked into these areas. This was not an exhaustive inspection of all flashing areas.



Flashing Details

Flashing: Eaves and Gables

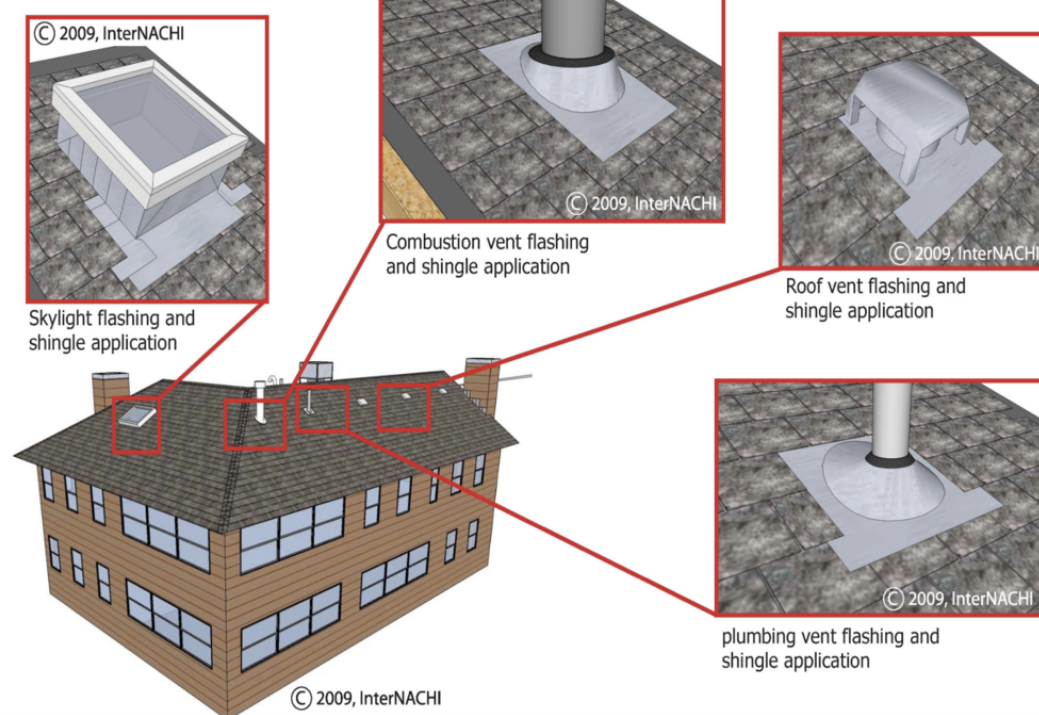
I looked for flashing installed at the eaves (near the gutter edge) and at the gables (the diagonal edge of the roof). There should be metal drip flashing material installed in these locations. The flashing helps the surface water on the roof to discharge into the gutter. Flashing also helps to prevent water intrusion under the roof-covering.

Plumbing Vent Pipes: Homeowner's Responsibility

Your job is to monitor the flashing around the plumbing vent pipes that pass through the roof surface. Sometimes they deteriorate and cause a roof leak.

Be sure that the plumbing vent pipes do not get covered, either by debris, a toy, or snow.

Roof penetrations and flashing



Plumbing Vent Pipes: Plumbing Vent Pipes Inspected

I looked at DWV (drain, waste, and vent) pipes that pass through the roof covering. There should be watertight flashing (often black rubber material) installed around the vent pipes. These plumbing vent pipes should extend far enough above the roof surface.

Limitations

Roof Covering

UNABLE TO SEE EVERYTHING

This is a visual-only inspection of the roof-covering materials. It does not include an inspection of the entire system. There are components of the roof that are not visible or available during a home inspection, including underlayment, decking, fastening, flashing, age, shingle quality, manufacturer installation recommendations, etc.

Roof Covering

UNABLE TO WALK UPON ROOF SURFACE SAFELY

According to the [InterNACHI® Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#), a home inspector is not required to walk upon any roof surface. However, as a courtesy only, I attempted to walk upon the roof surface but could not do so safely. It was not safe. It was not readily accessible. This was a restriction to my inspection of the roof system. You may consider hiring a professional roofer with a lift to check your roof system.

Flashing

DIFFICULT TO SEE EVERY FLASHING

I attempted to inspect the flashing related to the vent pipes, wall intersections, eaves and gables, and the roof-covering materials. In general, there should be flashing installed in certain areas where the roof covering meets something else, like a vent pipe or siding. Most flashing is not observable, because the flashing material itself is covered and hidden by the roof covering or other materials. So, it's impossible to see everything. A home inspection is a limited visual-only inspection.

Plumbing Vent Pipes

UNABLE TO REACH ALL THE PIPES

I was unable to closely reach and observe all of the vent pipes that pass through the roof-covering materials. This was an inspection restriction.

Recommendations

2.1.1 Roof Covering

OLD SYSTEM

Minor Defect

I observed during my inspection that the system appeared to be old and at the end of its service life. It may not be reliable. Ask the homeowner or occupant about its recent performance. Regular maintenance and monitoring of its condition is recommended. Budgeting for repairs and future replacement is recommended. [InterNACHI's Standard Estimate Life Expectancy Chart for Homes](#). Bad. If not corrected, a roof leak resulting from this condition could cause structural damage and mold problems. Correction and further evaluation by a professional roofer is recommended.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.

2.1.2 Roof Covering

TREE TOO CLOSE

Minor Defect

I observed indications that a tree and/or tree branch were located near the roof system, overhanging the roof and possibly in contact with it. The tree may cause damage if it has not already. Bad. If not corrected, a roof leak resulting from this condition could cause structural damage and mold problems. Correction and further evaluation by a professional roofer is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified tree service company.



3: EXTERIOR

Information

All Exterior Doors: Exterior Doors Inspected

I inspected the exterior doors.

Exterior Inspected According to Standards

I inspected the exterior of the house.

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the exterior wall-covering materials;
2. the eaves, soffits and fascia;
3. a representative number of windows;
4. all exterior doors;
5. flashing and trim;
6. adjacent walkways and driveways;
7. stairs, steps, stoops, stairways and ramps;
8. porches, patios, decks, balconies and carports;
9. railings, guards and handrails; and
10. vegetation, surface drainage, retaining walls and grading of the property, where they may adversely affect the structure due to moisture intrusion.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the type of exterior wall-covering materials.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. any improper spacing between intermediate balusters, spindles and rails.



East

Homeowner's Responsibility

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Exterior Wall-Covering Materials: Type of Wall-Covering Material Described

Stucco

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Check the condition of all exterior wall-covering materials and look for developing patterns of damage or deterioration.

Eaves, Soffits, and Fascia: Eaves, Soffits and Fascia Were Inspected

I inspected the eaves, soffits and fascia. I was not able to inspect every detail, because a home inspection is limited in its scope.

Adjacent Walkways and Driveways: Walkways & Driveways Were Inspected

I inspected the walkways and driveways that were adjacent to the house. The walkways, driveways, and parking areas that were far away from the house foundation were not inspected.

Stairs, Steps, Stoops, Stairways, and Ramps: Stairs, Steps, Stoops, Stairways & Ramps Were Inspected

I inspected the stairs, steps, stoops, stairways and ramps that were within the scope of my home inspection.

All treads should be level and secure. Riser heights and tread depths should be as uniform as possible. As a guide, stairs must have a maximum riser of 7-3/4 inches and a minimum tread of 10 inches.

Porches, Patios, Decks, Balconies, and Carports: Porches, Patios, Decks, Balconies & Carports Were Inspected

I inspected the porches, patios, decks, balconies and carports at the house that were within the scope of the home inspection.

Railings, Guards, and Handrails: Railings, Guards & Handrails Were Inspected

I inspected the railings, guards and handrails that were within the scope of the home inspection.

Vegetation, Surface Drainage, Retaining Walls, and Grading: Vegetation, Drainage, Walls & Grading Were Inspected

I inspected the vegetation, surface drainage, retaining walls and grading of the property, where they may adversely affect the structure due to moisture intrusion.

GFCIs & Electrical: Inspected GFCIs

I inspected ground-fault circuit interrupter receptacles and circuit breakers observed and deemed to be GFCIs using a GFCI tester, where possible.

Limitations

Exterior Wall-Covering Materials

INSPECTION WAS RESTRICTED

I did not inspect all of the exterior wall-covering material. A home inspection is not an exhaustive evaluation. My inspection of the exterior was limited. I did not reach and access closely every part of the exterior wall-covering.

Eaves, Soffits, and Fascia

INSPECTION WAS RESTRICTED

I did not inspect all of the eaves, soffit, and fascia. It's impossible to inspect those areas closely during a home inspection. A home inspection is not an exhaustive evaluation. My inspection of the exterior was limited. I did not reach and access closely every part of the eaves, soffit, and fascia.

Representative Number of Windows

INSPECTION RESTRICTED

I did not inspect all windows. I did inspect a representative number of them. It's impossible to inspect every window component closely during a home inspection. A home inspection is not an exhaustive evaluation. I did not reach and access closely every window, particularly those above the first floor level.

GFCIs & Electrical

UNABLE TO INSPECT EVERYTHING

I was unable to inspect every electrical component or proper installation of the GFCI system according to modern code. A licensed electrician or township building code inspector could perform that type of test, which is beyond the scope of my visual-only home inspection. I inspected the electrical system as much as I could according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

Exhaust Hoods

UNIDENTIFIED HOODS

I observed some exterior exhaust hoods, but I was unable to identify them as to what their purpose was.

Recommendations

3.1.1 Exterior Wall-Covering Materials

CRACKING - MINOR

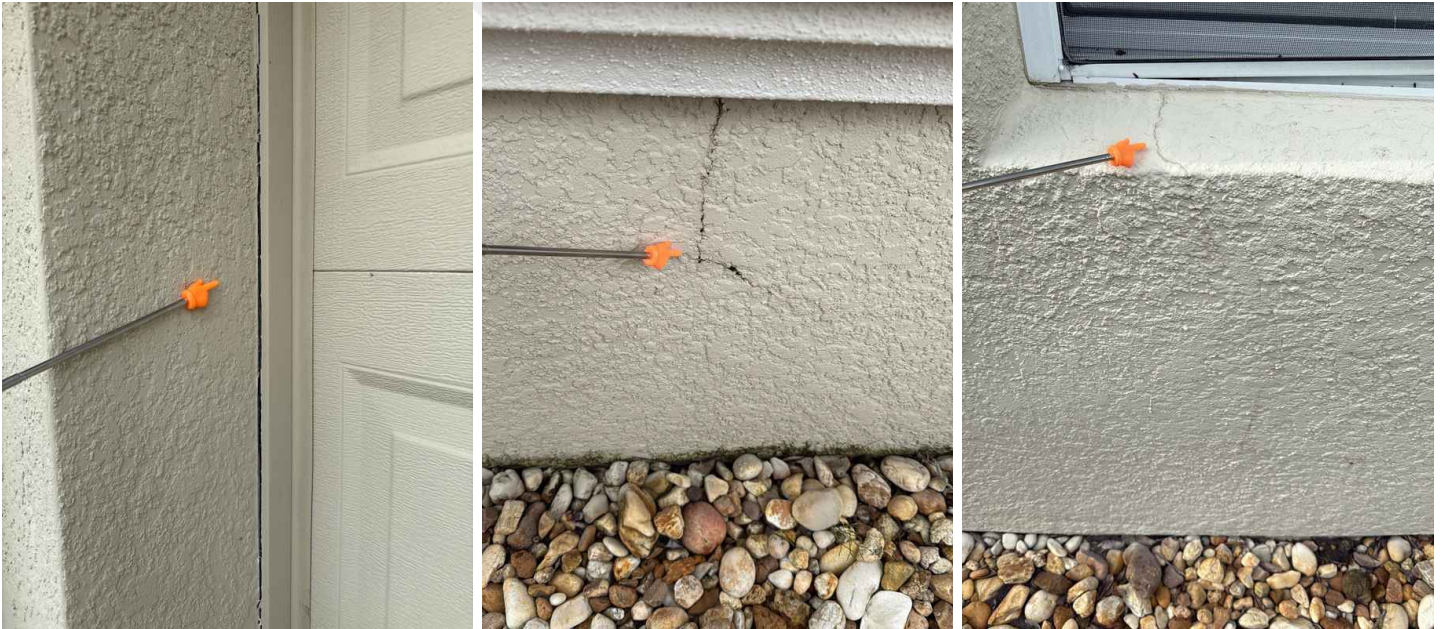
Siding showed cracking in one or more places. Recommend monitoring.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



Minor Defect



3.10.1 Vegetation, Surface Drainage, Retaining Walls, and Grading



Major Defect

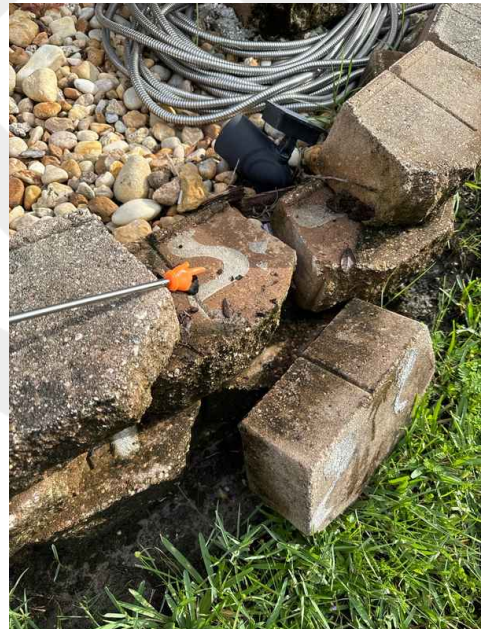
RETAINING WALL DAMAGE

I observed indication of damage at the retaining wall.

Correction and further evaluation is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified landscaping contractor



3.10.2 Vegetation, Surface Drainage, Retaining Walls, and Grading



Major Defect

RETAINING WALL DEFECT

I observed indication of a defect at the retaining wall.

Correction and further evaluation is recommended.

The retaining wall blocks are upside down and the lip that holds in place is not seated. The retaining walls are all leaning out.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified landscaping contractor



4: BASEMENT, FOUNDATION, CRAWLSPACE & STRUCTURE

Information

Inspected According to Standards

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the foundation;
2. the basement;
3. the crawlspace; and
4. structural components.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the type of foundation; and
2. the location of the access to the under-floor space.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. observed indications of wood in contact with or near soil;
2. observed indications of active water penetration;
3. observed indications of possible foundation movement, such as sheetrock cracks, brick cracks, out-of-square door frames, and unlevel floors; and
4. any observed cutting, notching and boring of framing members that may, in the inspector's opinion, present a structural or safety concern.

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Homeowner's Responsibility

One of the most common problems in a house is a wet basement or foundation. You should monitor the walls and floors for signs of water penetration, such as dampness, water stains, peeling paint, efflorescence, and rust on exposed metal parts. In a finished basement, look for rotted or warped wood paneling and doors, loose floor tiles, and mildew stains. It may come through the walls or cracks in the floor, or from backed-up floor drains, leaky plumbing lines, or a clogged air-conditioner condensate line.

Type of Foundation Described

Concrete Slab on Grade

There are several types of house foundations, including:

- Slab-on-Grade: A single, poured concrete slab directly on the ground, often used in warmer climates.
- Crawl Space: A raised foundation with a small space beneath the home for access to utilities.
- Basement: A deeper foundation that provides additional living or storage space below ground level.
- Pier and Beam: Foundations supported by piers and beams, common in areas with unstable soil or flood risks.
- Pile Foundation: Deep foundations using piles driven into the ground for added stability, often in areas with weak soil.

Each type is chosen based on factors like climate, soil conditions, and building requirements.

Structural Components Were Inspected

Structural components were inspected according to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#).

5: HEATING

Information

Heating System: Energy Source

Electric

Heating System: Heating Method

Warm-Air Heating System

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Thermostat and Normal Operating Controls: Thermostat Location

Multiple locations, Multiple thermostats

The thermostat of an HVAC system is a control device that regulates the temperature in a building by signaling the system to heat, cool, or maintain a desired temperature. It monitors indoor air temperature and adjusts the HVAC system's operation to ensure comfort and energy efficiency. Modern thermostats may also include programmable and smart features for enhanced control.



Limitations

General

NOT INSPECTED

This system was not inspected. This was an inspection limitation and restriction. The scope of the inspection did not include this system.

General**HOT TEMPERATURE RESTRICTION**

Because the outside temperature was too hot to operate the system without the possibility of damaging it, I did not operate the system. Inspection restriction. Ask the homeowner about the system, including past performance.

Heating System

HOT TEMPERATURE RESTRICTION

Because the outside temperature was too hot to operate the heating system without the possibility of damaging the system, I did not operate the heating system. Inspection restriction. Ask the homeowner about the system, including past performance.

6: COOLING

Information

Thermostat and Normal Operating Controls: Thermostat Location

Multiple locations, Multiple thermostats

Cooling System: Energy Source

Electric

Cooling System: Cooling Method

Heat Pump System

Cooling System Information: Cooling System Inspected

The cooling system was inspected according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

Cooling System Information: Homeowner's Responsibility

Most air-conditioning systems in houses are relatively simple in design and operation. The adequacy of the cooling is often quite subjective and depends upon occupant perceptions that are affected by the distribution of air, the location of return-air vents, air velocity, the sound of the system in operation, and similar characteristics.

It's your job to get the air conditioning system inspected and serviced every year. And if you're system as an air filter, be sure to keep that filter cleaned.

Condensate: Condensate Discharge Confirmed

I observed a discharge pipe apparently connected to the condensate pump installed at the cooling system.

Recommendations

6.2.1 Thermostat and Normal Operating Controls

OLD THERMOSTAT

I observed that the thermostat is very old and should be upgraded to a modern energy-efficient thermostat.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



Minor Defect



6.3.1 Cooling System

FILTER MISSING

I observed a missing air filter at the system.



Minor Defect

Recommendation
Recommended DIY Project



6.3.2 Cooling System

SERVICE TAG INDICATES DELAYED MAINTENANCE

I observed indications of delayed maintenance at the cooling system, because of the date of the most recent service on the service tag. The system should be cleaned and inspected by a HVAC professional every year. Correction and further evaluation is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified heating and cooling contractor

Major Defect



7: PLUMBING

Information

Main Water Shut-Off Valve:**Location of Main Shut-Off Valve**

Outside of House

Hot Water Source: Inspected TPR Valve

I inspected the temperature and pressure relief valve.

**Main Water Shut-Off Valve: Homeowner's Responsibility**

It's your job to know where the main water and fuel shutoff valves are located. And be sure to keep an eye out for any water and plumbing leaks.

Water Supply : Water Supply Is Public

The water supply to the house appeared to be from the public water supply source based upon the observed indications at the time of the inspection. To confirm and be certain, I recommend asking the homeowner for details.

Hot Water Source: Type of Hot Water Source

Electric Hot Water Tank

I inspected for the main source of the distributed hot water to the plumbing fixtures (sinks, tubs, showers). I recommend asking the homeowner for details about the hot water equipment and past performance.



Hot Water Source: Inspected Hot Water Source

I inspected the hot water source and equipment according to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#).

Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems: Inspected Drain, Waste, Vent Pipes

I attempted to inspect the drain, waste, and vent pipes. Not all of the pipes and components were accessible and observed. Inspection restriction. Ask the homeowner about water and sewer leaks or blockages in the past.

Water Supply & Distribution Systems: Inspected Water Supply & Distribution Pipes

I attempted to inspect the water supply and distribution pipes (plumbing pipes). Not all of the pipes and components were accessible and observed. Inspection restriction. Ask the homeowner about water supply, problems with water supply, and water leaks in the past.

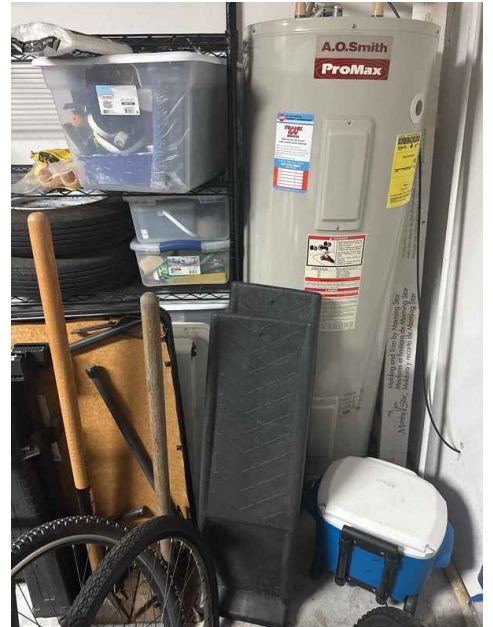


Limitations

Hot Water Source

INSPECTION RESTRICTION

The inspection of the system was restricted. I was unable to completely inspect the system.



Limited access to inspect

Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems

NOT ALL PIPES WERE INSPECTED

The inspection was restricted because not all of the pipes were exposed, readily accessible, and observed. For example, most of the drainage pipes were hidden within the walls.

Water Supply & Distribution Systems

NOT ALL PIPES WERE INSPECTED

The inspection was restricted because not all of the water supply pipes were exposed, readily accessible, and observed. For example, most of the water distribution pipes, valves and connections were hidden within the walls.

Recommendations

7.3.1 Hot Water Source

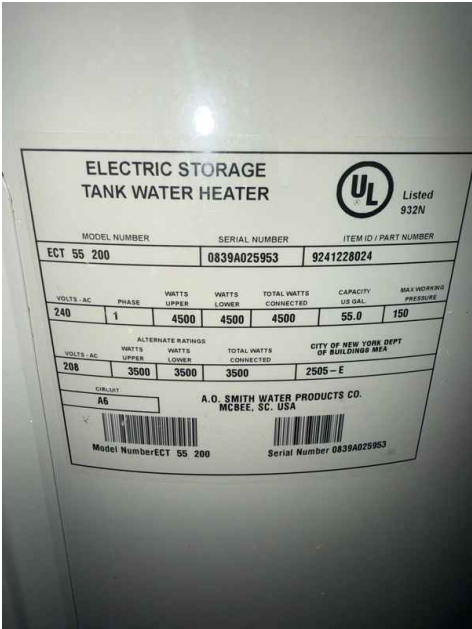
OLD SYSTEM

Minor Defect

I observed during my inspection that the system appeared to be old and at the end of its service life. It may not be reliable. Ask the homeowner or occupant about its recent performance. Regular maintenance and monitoring of its condition is recommended. Budgeting for repairs and future replacement is recommended. [InterNACHI's Standard Estimate Life Expectancy Chart for Homes](#)

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



Serial number indicates manufactured December 2002

7.5.1 Water Supply & Distribution Systems

TOILET LOOSE CONNECTION TO FLOOR

MASTER BATH

I observed indications of a toilet that had a loose connection to the floor.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.

Major Defect



8: ELECTRICAL

Information

Electric Meter & Base: Inspected the Electric Meter & Base

I inspected the electrical electric meter and base.



Service-Entrance Conductors: Inspected Service-Entrance Conductors

I inspected the electrical service-entrance conductors.



Main Service Disconnect: Inspected Main Service Disconnect

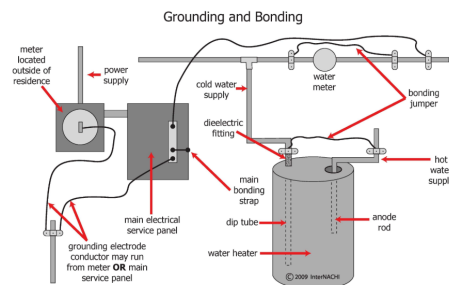
I inspected the electrical main service disconnect.

Electrical Wiring: Type of Wiring, If Visible

NM-B (Romex)

Service Grounding & Bonding: Inspected the Service Grounding & Bonding

I inspected the electrical service grounding and bonding.



Main Service Disconnect: Homeowner's Responsibility

It's your job to know where the main electrical panel is located, including the main service disconnect that turns everything off.

Be sure to test your GFCIs, AFCIs, and smoke detectors regularly. You can replace light bulbs, but more than that, you ought to hire an electrician. Electrical work is hazardous and mistakes can be fatal. Hire a professional whenever there's an electrical problem in your house.

Main Service Disconnect: Main Disconnect Rating, If Labeled

Not Labeled

I observed indications of the main service disconnect's amperage rating. It was labeled.

Panelboards & Breakers: Inspected Main Panelboard & Breakers

I inspected the electrical panelboards and over-current protection devices (circuit breakers and fuses).

Panelboards & Breakers: Inspected Subpanel & Breakers

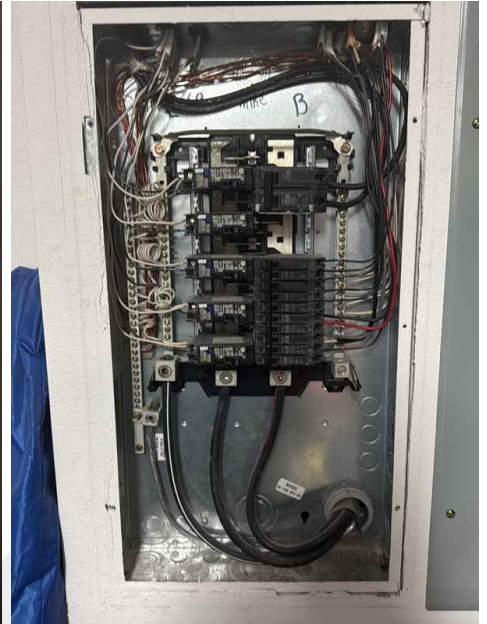
I inspected the electrical subpanel and over-current protection devices (circuit breakers and fuses).



Panel B front



Panel A front



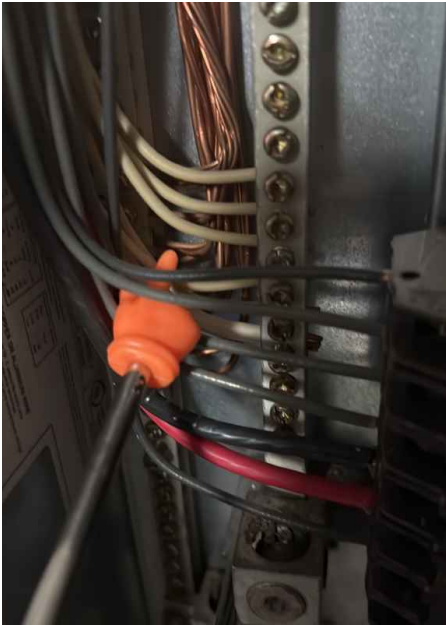
Panel B Cover off



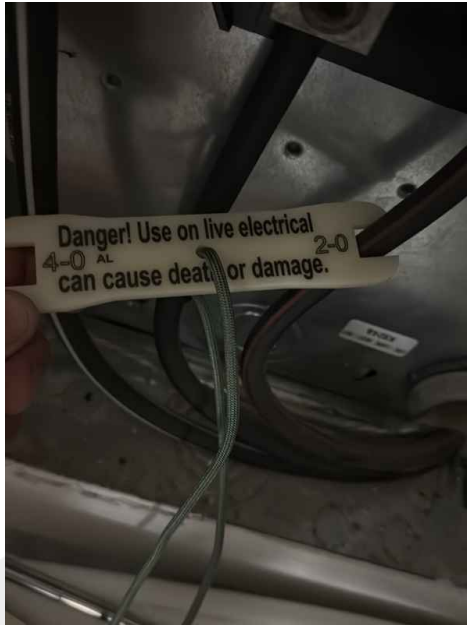
Panel B Double tap buss



Panel A Cover off



Panel A Double tap bus



Panel a missing mount screw

AFCIs: Inspected AFCIs

I inspected receptacles observed that were deemed to be arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI)-protected using the AFCI test button, where possible. All 15- and 20-amp 120-volt circuits for dining rooms, living rooms, bedrooms, sun rooms, closets, hallways, or similar areas must be AFCI-protected.

GFCIs: Inspected GFCIs

I inspected ground-fault circuit interrupter receptacles and circuit breakers observed and deemed to be GFCIs using a GFCI tester, where possible.

Limitations

Main Service Disconnect

DISCONNECT RATING NOT LABELED

The main service disconnect's amperage rating was not labeled. I was unable to identify the rating.



Electrical Wiring

UNABLE TO INSPECT ALL OF THE WIRING

I was unable to inspect all of the electrical wiring. Obviously, most of the wiring is hidden from view within walls. Beyond the scope of a visual home inspection.

Service Grounding & Bonding

UNABLE TO CONFIRM PROPER GROUNDING AND BONDING

I was unable to confirm proper installation of the system grounding and bonding according to modern code. A licensed electrician or township building code inspector could perform that type of test, which is beyond the scope of my visual-only home inspection. I inspected the grounding and bonding as much as I could according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

AFCIs

UNABLE TO INSPECT EVERYTHING

I was unable to inspect every electrical component or proper installation of the AFCI system according to modern code. A licensed electrician or township building code inspector could perform that type of test, which is beyond the scope of my visual-only home inspection. I inspected the electrical system as much as I could according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

GFCIs

UNABLE TO INSPECT EVERYTHING

I was unable to inspect every electrical component or proper installation of the GFCI system according to modern code. A licensed electrician or township building code inspector could perform that type of test, which is beyond the scope of my visual-only home inspection. I inspected the electrical system as much as I could according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

Recommendations

8.5.1 Panelboards & Breakers

PANEL DAMAGED

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

 Major Defect

8.5.2 Panelboards & Breakers

SUBPANEL GROUNDS NEUTRALS NOT SEPARATED

I observed that the grounds and neutrals at the subpanel are not isolated (separated). Defect.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

 Major Defect

8.6.1 Service Grounding & Bonding

UNABLE TO CONFIRM PRESENCE OF GROUNDED CONDUCTOR

I was unable to confirm by observation the presence of a grounded conductor.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

9: ATTIC, INSULATION & VENTILATION

Information

Insulation in Attic: Type of Insulation Observed

Vermiculite

Structural Components & Observations in Attic: Structural Components Were Inspected

Structural components were inspected from the attic space according to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#).



Insulation in Attic: Insulation Was Inspected

During the home inspection, I inspected for insulation in unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas. I inspected for ventilation of unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas. And I inspected mechanical exhaust systems in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry area.

I attempted to describe the type of insulation observed and the approximate average depth of insulation observed at the unfinished attic floor area or roof structure.

I reported as in need of correction the general absence of insulation or ventilation in unfinished spaces.



Insulation in Attic: Approximate Average Depth of Insulation

Attic

9-12 inches

Determining how much insulation should be installed in a house depends upon where a home is located. The amount of insulation that should be installed at a particular area of a house is dependent upon which climate zone the house is located and the local building codes.

Ventilation in Attic: Ventilation Inspected

During the home inspection, I inspected for ventilation in unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas. And I inspected for mechanical exhaust systems.

I report as in need of correction the general absence of ventilation in unfinished spaces.

Limitations

Structural Components & Observations in Attic

COULD NOT SEE EVERYTHING IN ATTIC

I could not see and inspect everything in the attic space. The access is restricted and my inspection is limited.

Ventilation in Attic

NO ACCESS

The engineered trusses did not allow for an inspection of every attic ventilation. The areas that were inspected as a representative number looked good.

Recommendations

9.1.1 Structural Components & Observations in Attic

STRUCTURAL DEFECT IN ATTIC

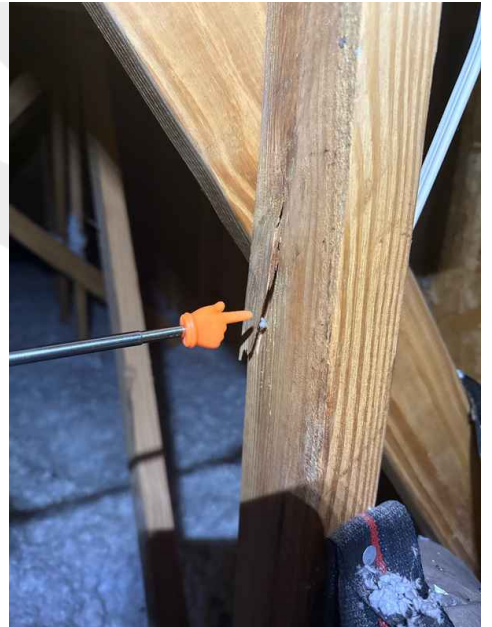
I observed a major structural defect in the attic.



Major Defect

Recommendation

Contact a qualified carpenter.



9.2.1 Insulation in Attic

INSULATION COMPRESSED BY STEPS

Minor Defect

I observed indications that the insulation in the attic was stepped upon. The insulation in those areas are compressed. The insulation is not as thick and not performing as expected. Adding insulation in these areas is recommend.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified insulation contractor.



10: BATHROOMS

Information

Bathroom Toilets: Toilets Inspected

I flushed all of the toilets.



Sinks, Tubs & Showers: Ran Water at Sinks, Tubs & Showers

I ran water at all bathroom sinks, bathtubs, and showers. I inspected for deficiencies in the water supply by viewing the functional flow in two fixtures operated simultaneously.



Bathroom Exhaust Fan / Window: Inspected Bath Exhaust Fans

I inspected the exhaust fans of the bathroom(s). All mechanical exhaust fans should terminate outside. Confirming that the fan exhausts outside is beyond the scope of a home inspection.



GFCI & Electric in Bathroom: GFCI-Protection Tested

I inspected the GFCI-protection at the receptacle near the bathroom sink by pushing the test button at the GFCI device or using a GFCI testing instrument.

All receptacles in the bathroom must be GFCI protected.

Limitations

Sinks, Tubs & Showers

PLUMBING PANEL NOT INSTALLED

I observed that there was not a plumbing access panel installed for the bathroom fixtures. I recommended one to be installed.

11: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

Information

Doors: Doors Inspected

I inspected a representative number of doors according to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#) by opening and closing them. I did not operate door locks and door stops, which is beyond the scope of a home inspection.

Windows: Windows Inspected

I inspected a representative number of windows according to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#) by opening and closing them. I did not operate window locks and operation features, which is beyond the scope of a home inspection.

Switches, Fixtures & Receptacles: Inspected a Switches, Fixtures & Receptacles

I inspected a representative number of switches, lighting fixtures and receptacles.

Stairs, Steps, Stoops, Stairways & Ramps: Stairs, Steps, Stoops, Stairways & Ramps Were Inspected

I inspected the stairs, steps, stoops, stairways and ramps that were within the scope of my home inspection.

All treads should be level and secure. Riser heights and tread depths should be as uniform as possible. As a guide, stairs must have a maximum riser of 7-3/4 inches and a minimum tread of 10 inches.

Railings, Guards & Handrails: Railings, Guards & Handrails Were Inspected

I inspected a representative number railings, guards and handrails that were within the scope of the home inspection.

Presence of Smoke and CO Detectors: Inspected for Presence of Smoke and CO Detectors

I inspected for the presence of smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors.

There should be a smoke detector in every sleeping room, outside of every sleeping room, and one every level of a house.

Limitations

Switches, Fixtures & Receptacles

UNABLE TO INSPECT EVERYTHING

I was unable to inspect every electrical component or proper installation of the system according to modern code. A licensed electrician or township building code inspector could perform that type of test, which is beyond the scope of my visual-only home inspection. I inspected the electrical system as much as I could according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

Presence of Smoke and CO Detectors

UNABLE TO TEST EVERY DETECTOR

I was unable to test every detector. We recommend testing all of the detectors. Ask the seller about the performance of the detectors and of any issues regarding them. We recommend replacing all of the detectors (smoke and carbon monoxide) with new ones just for peace of mind and for safety concerns.

Recommendations

11.2.1 Windows

MISSING WINDOW SCREEN

I observed a missing window screen.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified window repair/installation contractor.



Minor Defect



11.2.2 Windows

WINDOW WOULD NOT OPEN

I observed a window that would not open.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified window repair/installation contractor.



Minor Defect



11.4.1 Floors, Walls, Ceilings

CARPET STAINS

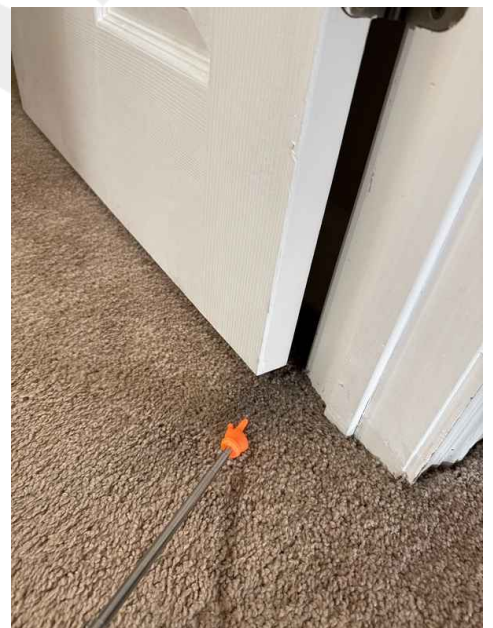
Carpet had areas of staining or discoloration. Recommend a thorough steam clean by a qualified carpet cleaning company

Recommendation

Contact a qualified cleaning service.



Major Defect



12: LAUNDRY

Limitations

Clothes Washer

DID NOT INSPECT

LAUNDRY

I did not inspect the clothes washer and dryer fully. These appliances are beyond the scope of a home inspection. I did not operate the appliances. The clothes dryer exhaust pipe must be inspected and cleaned every year to help prevent house fires.



Clothes Dryer

DID NOT INSPECT

LAUNDRY

I did not inspect the clothes washer and dryer fully. These appliances are beyond the scope of a home inspection. I did not operate the appliances. The clothes dryer exhaust pipe must be inspected and cleaned every year to help prevent house fires.

Recommendations

12.1.1 Clothes Washer

MISSING GFCI PROTECTION IN LAUNDRY



I observed missing GFCI protection for all receptacle outlets in the laundry, as it is required by standards.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



13: KITCHEN

Information

Kitchen Sink: Ran Water at Kitchen Sink

I ran water at the kitchen sink.



GFCI: GFCI Tested

Kitchen

I observed ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protection in the kitchen.

Countertops & Cabinets: Inspected Cabinets & Countertops

I inspected a representative number of cabinets and countertop surfaces.

Floors, Walls, Ceilings: Floors, Walls, Ceilings Inspected

I inspected the readily visible surfaces of floors, walls and ceilings. I looked for material defects according to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#).

Recommendations

13.1.1 Kitchen Sink

DEFECT AT TRAP COMPONENT

I observed indications of a defect at the sink drain trap.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



Minor Defect



The sink trap should have a drain



The under sink seal is beginning to a road and shows signs of leaking.

13.4.1 Countertops & Cabinets

DAMAGED CABINET

I observed damage at the kitchen cabinet.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified cabinet contractor.



Major Defect



The base of the cabinet looks to have been exposed to significant amounts of water perhaps during maintenance or repair. The area did not show moisture on the meter.

13.5.1 Floors, Walls, Ceilings

MOISTURE DAMAGE

Stains on the walls visible at the time of the inspection appeared to be the result of moisture intrusion. The source of moisture may have been corrected. Recommend further examination by a qualified contractor to provide confirmation.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



Major Defect



STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

Inspection Detail

Please refer to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#) while reading this inspection report. I performed the home inspection according to the standards and my clients wishes and expectations. Please refer to the inspection contract or agreement between the inspector and the inspector's client.

Roof

Please refer to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#) related to inspecting the roof of the house.

Monitor the roof covering because any roof can leak. To monitor a roof that is inaccessible or that cannot be walked on safely, use binoculars. Look for deteriorating or loosening of flashing, signs of damage to the roof covering and debris that can clog valleys and gutters.

Roofs are designed to be water-resistant. Roofs are not designed to be waterproof. Eventually, the roof system will leak. No one can predict when, where or how a roof will leak.

I. The inspector shall inspect from ground level or the eaves:

1. the roof-covering materials;
2. the gutters;
3. the downspouts;
4. the vents, flashing, skylights, chimney, and other roof penetrations; and
5. the general structure of the roof from the readily accessible panels, doors or stairs.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the type of roof-covering materials.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. observed indications of active roof leaks.

Exterior

Please refer to the [Home Inspection Standards of Practice](#) related to inspecting the exterior of the house.

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the exterior wall-covering materials;
2. the eaves, soffits and fascia;
3. a representative number of windows;
4. all exterior doors;
5. flashing and trim;
6. adjacent walkways and driveways;
7. stairs, steps, stoops, stairways and ramps;
8. porches, patios, decks, balconies and carports;
9. railings, guards and handrails; and
10. vegetation, surface drainage, retaining walls and grading of the property, where they may adversely affect the structure due to moisture intrusion.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the type of exterior wall-covering materials.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. any improper spacing between intermediate balusters, spindles and rails.

Basement, Foundation, Crawlspce & Structure

I. The inspector shall inspect:

the foundation;
the basement;
the crawlspce; and
structural components.

II. The inspector shall describe:

the type of foundation; and
the location of the access to the under-floor space.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

observed indications of wood in contact with or near soil;
observed indications of active water penetration;
observed indications of possible foundation movement, such as sheetrock cracks, brick cracks, out-of-square door frames, and unlevel floors; and
any observed cutting, notching and boring of framing members that may, in the inspector's opinion, present a structural or safety concern.

Heating

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the heating system, using normal operating controls.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the location of the thermostat for the heating system;
2. the energy source; and
3. the heating method.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. any heating system that did not operate; and
2. if the heating system was deemed inaccessible.

Cooling

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the cooling system, using normal operating controls.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the location of the thermostat for the cooling system; and
2. the cooling method.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. any cooling system that did not operate; and
2. if the cooling system was deemed inaccessible.

Plumbing

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the main water supply shut-off valve;

2. the main fuel supply shut-off valve;
3. the water heating equipment, including the energy source, venting connections, temperature/pressure-relief (TPR) valves, Watts 210 valves, and seismic bracing;
4. interior water supply, including all fixtures and faucets, by running the water;
5. all toilets for proper operation by flushing;
6. all sinks, tubs and showers for functional drainage;
7. the drain, waste and vent system; and
8. drainage sump pumps with accessible floats.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. whether the water supply is public or private based upon observed evidence;
2. the location of the main water supply shut-off valve;
3. the location of the main fuel supply shut-off valve;
4. the location of any observed fuel-storage system; and
5. the capacity of the water heating equipment, if labeled.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. deficiencies in the water supply by viewing the functional flow in two fixtures operated simultaneously;
2. deficiencies in the installation of hot and cold water faucets;
3. active plumbing water leaks that were observed during the inspection; and
4. toilets that were damaged, had loose connections to the floor, were leaking, or had tank components that did not operate.

Electrical

I. The inspector shall inspect:

1. the service drop;
2. the overhead service conductors and attachment point;
3. the service head, gooseneck and drip loops;
4. the service mast, service conduit and raceway;
5. the electric meter and base;
6. service-entrance conductors;
7. the main service disconnect;
8. panelboards and over-current protection devices (circuit breakers and fuses);
9. service grounding and bonding;
10. a representative number of switches, lighting fixtures and receptacles, including receptacles observed and deemed to be arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI)-protected using the AFCI test button, where possible;
11. all ground-fault circuit interrupter receptacles and circuit breakers observed and deemed to be GFCIs using a GFCI tester, where possible; and
12. for the presence of smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the main service disconnect's amperage rating, if labeled; and
2. the type of wiring observed.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

1. deficiencies in the integrity of the service-entrance conductors insulation, drip loop, and vertical clearances from grade and roofs;
2. any unused circuit-breaker panel opening that was not filled;
3. the presence of solid conductor aluminum branch-circuit wiring, if readily visible;
4. any tested receptacle in which power was not present, polarity was incorrect, the cover was not in place, the GFCI devices were not properly installed or did not operate properly, evidence of arcing or excessive heat, and where the receptacle was not grounded or was not secured to the wall; and
5. the absence of smoke and/or carbon monoxide detectors.

Attic, Insulation & Ventilation

The inspector shall inspect:

insulation in unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas;
ventilation of unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas; and
mechanical exhaust systems in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry area.

The inspector shall describe:

the type of insulation observed; and
the approximate average depth of insulation observed at the unfinished attic floor area or roof structure.

The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

the general absence of insulation or ventilation in unfinished spaces.

Bathrooms**The home inspector will inspect:**

interior water supply, including all fixtures and faucets, by running the water;
all toilets for proper operation by flushing; and
all sinks, tubs and showers for functional drainage.

Doors, Windows & Interior**The inspector shall inspect:**

a representative number of doors and windows by opening and closing them;
floors, walls and ceilings; stairs, steps, landings, stairways and ramps;
railings, guards and handrails; and
garage vehicle doors and the operation of garage vehicle door openers, using normal operating controls.

The inspector shall describe:

a garage vehicle door as manually-operated or installed with a garage door opener.

The inspector shall report as in need of correction:

improper spacing between intermediate balusters, spindles and rails for steps, stairways, guards and railings;
photo-electric safety sensors that did not operate properly; and
any window that was obviously fogged or displayed other evidence of broken seals.

Laundry**The inspector shall inspect:**

mechanical exhaust systems in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry area.

Kitchen

The kitchen appliances are not included in the scope of a home inspection according to the Standards of Practice.

The inspector will out of courtesy only check:

the stove,
oven,
microwave, and
garbage disposer.