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SUMMARY



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MAJOR DEFECT



ITEMS INSPECTED

MINOR DEFECT

2.4.1 Roof - Gutters & Downspouts: Downspouts Drain Near House

4.3.1 Exterior - Wall-Covering, Flashing & Trim: Cracking - Minor

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2 12.4.1 Doors, Windows & Interior - Floors, Walls, Ceilings: Open Wall Penetration

12.5.1 Doors, Windows & Interior - Presence of Smoke and CO Detectors: Smoke Detector Did Not Test Functional

2 13.1.1 Laundry - Clothes Washer: Hoses Not Pressure Tested

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15.8.1 Kitchen - Floors, Walls, Ceilings: Moisture Damage

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1: INSPECTION DETAIL

Information

General Inspection Info: General Inspection Info: Weather General Inspection Info: Type of

Occupancy Conditions Building

Occupied, Furnished Cloudy, Light Rain, Recent Rain Single Family

General Inspection Info: In Attendance

Client

I prefer to have my client with me during my 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 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.

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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 in 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.

Details



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2: ROOF

Information

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.

This 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 or guarantee of the roof system.

Roof Covering: Roof Was Inspected

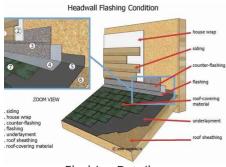
Roof

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 virtually impossible to detect a leak except as it is occurring or by specific water tests, which are beyond the scope of our inspection. We recommend that you ask the sellers to disclose information about the roof, and that you include comprehensive roof coverage in your home insurance policy.

Flashing: Wall Intersections

I looked for flashing where the roof covering meets a wall or siding material. There should be step and counter flashing installed in these locations. This is not an exhaustive inspection of all flashing areas.



Flashing Details

Flashing: Eaves and Gables

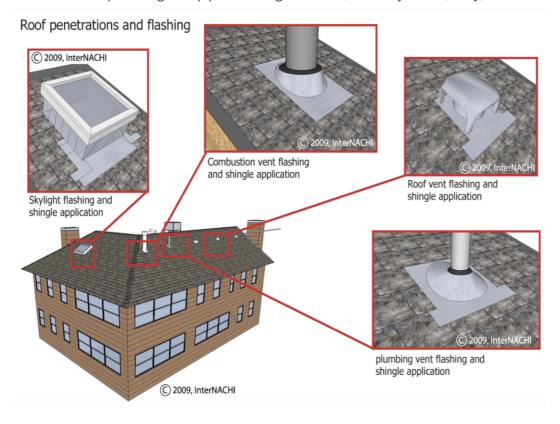
I looked for flashing installed at the eaves (near the gutter edge) and at the gables (the diagonal edge of the roof). There should be metal drip flashing material installed in these locations. The flashing helps the surface water on the roof to discharge into the gutter. Flashing also helps to prevent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

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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.



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.

Gutters & Downspouts: Homeowner's Responsibility

Your job is to monitor the gutters and be sure that they function during and after a rainstorm. Look for loose parts, sagging gutter ends, and water leaks. The rain water should be diverted far away from the house foundation.

Gutters & Downspouts: Gutters Were Inspected

I inspected the gutters. I wasn't able to inspect every inch of every gutter. But I attempted to check the overall general condition of the gutters during the inspection and look for indications of major defects.

Monitoring the gutters during a heavy rain (without lightening) is recommended. In general, the gutters should catch rain water and direct the water towards downspouts that discharge the water away from the house foundation.

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 accessible at all, including the underlayment, decking, fastening, flashing, age, shingle quality, manufacturer installation recommendations, etc.

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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.

Gutters & Downspouts

COULDN'T REACH THE GUTTERS

I was unable to closely reach and closely inspect the installation of all of the gutter components and systems.

Recommendations

2.4.1 Gutters & Downspouts

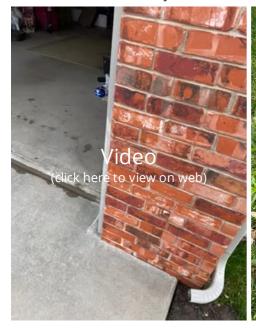


DOWNSPOUTS DRAIN NEAR HOUSE

One or more downspouts drain too close to the home's foundation. This can result in excessive moisture in the soil at the foundation, which can lead to foundation/structural movement. Recommend a qualified contractor adjust downspout extensions to drain at least 6 feet from the foundation. A handy homeowner should be able to do this project.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project





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3: CHIMNEY, FIREPLACE, OR STOVE

Information

Factory-Built Chimney: Factory-Built Chimney Exterior Was Inspected

The chimney exterior was inspected during my home inspection.





Limitations

Factory-Built Chimney

CHIMNEY INTERIOR IS BEYOND THE SCOPE

Inspecting the chimney interior and flue is beyond the scope of a home inspection. An inspector is not required to inspect the flue or vent system, and is not required to inspect the interior of chimneys or flues, fire doors or screens, seals or gaskets, or mantels. Out of courtesy only, the inspector may take a look at readily accessible and visible parts of the chimney flue.

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4: EXTERIOR

Information

General: Exterior Was Inspected

I inspected the exterior of the house.

Exterior Doors: Exterior Doors

Inspected

I inspected the exterior doors.

General: 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.

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

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

Wall-Covering, Flashing & Trim: Type of Wall-Covering Material Described

Brick

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 house's exterior for its condition and weathertightness.

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

Vegetation, Surface Drainage, Retaining Walls & 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.

Exterior Outlets: Inspected GFCIs

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

Walkways & 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 & 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.

Windows: Windows Inspected

A representative number of windows from the ground surface was inspected.

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Limitations

Eaves, Soffits & Fascia

INSPECTION WAS RESTRICTED

I did not inspect all of the eaves, soffit, and facia. 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.

Wall-Covering, Flashing & Trim

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.

Exterior Outlets

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.

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.

Recommendations

4.3.1 Wall-Covering, Flashing & Trim



CRACKING - MINOR

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

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project

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4.3.2 Wall-Covering, Flashing & Trim



WALL COVERING PENETRATIONS NOT SEALED

At the time of inspection, there were penetrations that were not sealed that could lead to moisture penetration and damage. Recommend sealing around the entire penetration.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



4.5.1 Exterior Outlets

IMPROPER INSTALLATION OF GFCI



I observed indications of improper installation at the GFCI device.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

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4.6.1 Walkways & Driveways

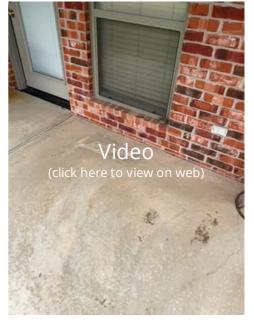


MINOR CRACKING AT WALKWAY

I observed minor cracking and no major damage at the walkway. Monitoring is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a handyman or DIY project



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5: BASEMENT, FOUNDATION, CRAWLSPACE & STRUCTURE

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6: HEATING

Information

Thermostat and Normal Operating Controls: Thermostat

LocationLiving room



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Heating System Information: Homeowner's Responsibility

Most HVAC (heating, ventilating and air-conditioning) systems in houses are relatively simple in design and operation. They consist of four components: controls, fuel supply, heating or cooling unit, and distribution system. The adequacy of heating and 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 HVAC system inspected and serviced every year. And if you're system as an air filter, be sure to keep that filter cleaned.





Heating System Information: Energy Source

Gas

Gas valve disconnect to furnace.





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Heating System Information: Heating Method

Warm-Air Heating System





Recommendations

6.1.1 Heating System Information



YELLOW CORRUGATED STAINLESS STEEL TUBING PRESENT

Manufacturers believe the product is safer if properly bonded and grounded as required by the manufacturer's installation instructions. Proper bonding and grounding of the product can only be determined by a licensed electrical contractor. Pursuant to OAC 158:70-1-3



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7: COOLING

Information

Thermostat and Normal Operating Controls: Thermostat

Location

Living room

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.

Limitations

Cooling System Information

COOL TEMPERATURE RESTRICTION

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





Recommendations

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7.3.1 Condensate



DEFECT AT CONDENSATE

I observed a defect at the air conditioner's condensate drainage.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



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8: PLUMBING

Information

Main Water Shut-Off Valve: Location of Main Shut-Off Valve Outside of House



Hot Water Source: Inspected TPR Hot Water Source: Inspected Valve

I inspected the temperature and pressure relief valve.



Venting Connections

I inspected the venting connections.



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.



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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

Gas-Fired 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.



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.

Limitations

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.

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9: ELECTRICAL

Information

Main Service Disconnect: Inspected Main Service Disconnect

I inspected the electrical main service disconnect.

Electrical Wiring: Type of Wiring, If Visible NM-B (Romex)



Electric Meter & Base: Inspected the Electric Meter & Base

I inspected the electrical electric meter and base.





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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

200

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).

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

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.

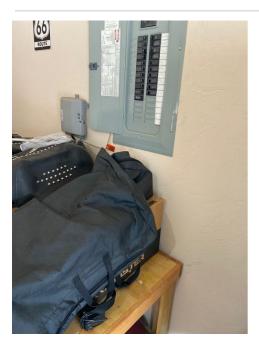
Panelboards & Breakers

INADEQUATE WORKSPACE AT PANELBOARD

I observed inadequate workspace at the panelboard.

A clear working space for accessing all of the electrical equipment is needed. A clear space that is 3 feet deep, 30 inches wide, and 6' 6" in height should be provided in front of the equipment.

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Panelboards & Breakers

UNABLE TO INSPECT THE PANELBOARDS AND BREAKERS CLOSELY

I was restricted in my visual-only inspection in that I did not inspect closely all of the panelboards, components, connections, and breakers. I am not an electrician, but I will inspect the electrical system according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice as best as I can during the 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.

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Recommendations

9.4.1 Electrical Wiring

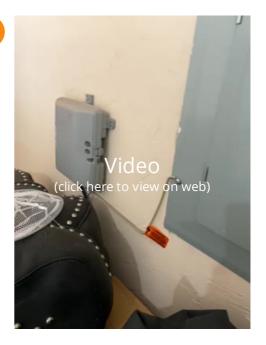
Major Defect

IMPROPER WIRING

I observed indications of improper wiring. Electrical hazard.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



9.7.1 AFCIs

MISSING AFCI PROTECTION IN DINING &



I observed missing AFCI protection for receptacles in the dining and living rooms.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



9.7.2 AFCIs

MISSING AFCI PROTECTION AT BEDROOMS



I observed missing AFCI protection for receptacles in the bedrooms.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

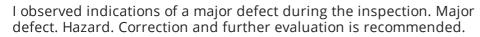
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9.8.1 GFCIs

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BATHROOM



Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.





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10: ATTIC, INSULATION & VENTILATION

Information

Insulation in Attic: Type of Insulation Observed Fiberglass



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: Approximate Average Depth of Insulation

greater than 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.

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11: BATHROOMS

Information

Hydromassage Bathtub: Tub

Filled and Turned On

I filled the tub and turned on the bubbles.

Bathroom Toilets: Toilets Inspected

I flushed all of the toilets.



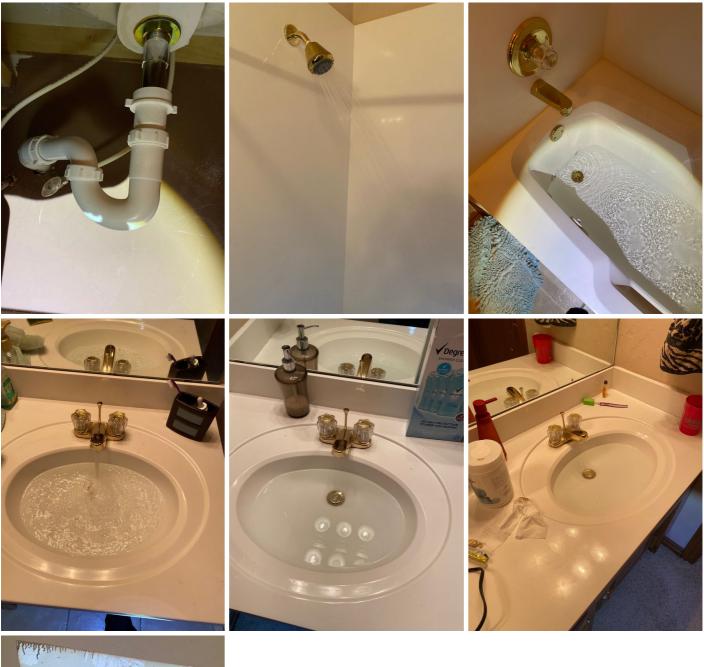




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Sinks, Tubs & Showers: Ran Water at Sinks, Tubs & Showers

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.





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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 ACCESS PANEL SEAL SHUT

BEDROOM

I observed that the plumbing access panel was sealed shut. Inspection restriction.



Recommendations

11.3.1 Hydromassage Bathtub

MISSING ACCESS AT HYDROMASSAGE TUB



I observed missing access to the electrical equipment for the hydromassage bathtub.

Access is required to all electrical equipment of the hydromassage tub. Receptacles supplying equipment must be located so the face is within direct view and within 1 foot of the service access opening.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



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11.4.1 Bathroom Exhaust Fan / Window

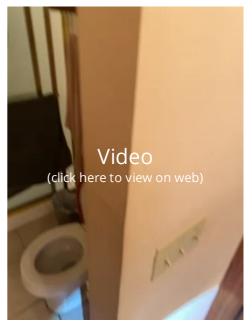


LIGHT DID NOT TURN ON

I observed that the bathroom light did not turn on. Could be a light bulb not working, or it could be something electrical.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



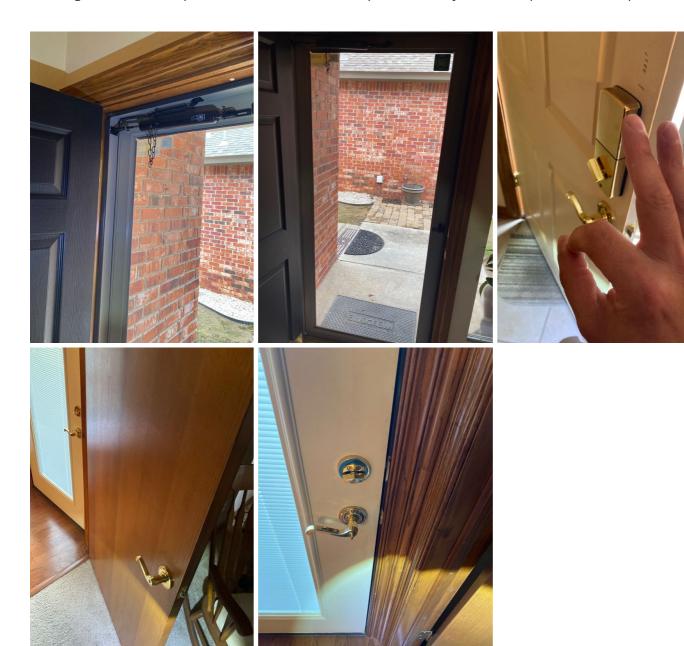
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12: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

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.



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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

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.

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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

12.3.1 Switches, Fixtures & Receptacles



COVER NOT IN PLACE

I observed a receptacle with a cover (plate) that was not in place.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.

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12.3.2 Switches, Fixtures & Receptacles



LIGHT INOPERABLE, COULD BE BULB

I observed one or more lights that were not turning on. A new light bulb was possibly needed. We recommend asking the homeowner about why this light fixture did not turn on.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



12.4.1 Floors, Walls, Ceilings

OPEN WALL PENETRATION



At the time of inspection, there were drywall penetrations. This can lead to excess energy loss or allow insects to enter. Recommend closing.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project

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12.5.1 Presence of Smoke and CO Detectors



SMOKE DETECTOR DID NOT TEST FUNCTIONAL

I observed indications that a smoke detector did not test functional. I pushed the test button, but it did not test as expected.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



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13: LAUNDRY

Limitations

Clothes Washer

DID NOT INSPECT

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

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

13.1.1 Clothes Washer



HOSES NOT PRESSURE TESTED

I observed hoses that were not reliable. Not pressure tested. Replacement of the hoses is recommended.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



13.1.2 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.

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14: ATTACHED GARAGE

Information

Garage Floor: Garage Floor

Inspected

I inspected the floor of the attached garage.

Garage Vehicle Door: Type of Door Operation

Opener



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Garage Vehicle Door Opener: Manual Release

I checked for a manual release handle--a means of manually detaching the door from the door opener.

The handle should be colored red so that it can be seen easily. The handle should be easily accessible and no more than 6 feet above the garage floor. The handle should not be in contact with the top of a vehicles.



Garage Vehicle Door Opener: General Warning Label Was Inspected

I observed a general warning label attached to the back of the door panel. Good.





Garage Vehicle Door Opener: Door Was Manually Opened and Closed

I closed the door. If the door had an opener, I pulled the manual release to disconnect the door from the opener. I lifted and operated the door. If the door was hard to lift, then it is out of balance. This is an unsafe condition.

I raised the door to the fully-open position, then closed the door. The door should move freely, and it should open and close without difficulty. As the door operates, I make sure that the rollers stay in the track. The door should stay in the fully open position. The door should also stay in a partially opened position about three to four above the garage floor level.

I reconnected the door to the opener, if present.

I checked the door handles or gripping points.

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Ceiling, Walls & Firewalls in Garage: Garage Ceiling & Walls Were Inspected

I inspected the ceiling and walls of the garage according to the Home Inspection Standards of Practice.

Ceiling, Walls & Firewalls in Garage: Door Between Garage and House Was Inspected

I inspected the door between the attached garage and the house.

The door should be a solid wood door at least 1-3/8 inches thick, a solid or honeycomb-core steel door at least 1-3/8 inches thick, or a 20-minute fire-rated door.

The door should be equipped with a self-closing or an automatic-closing device.



Limitations

Garage Floor

CAN'T SEE EVERYTHING

I can not observe everything. Inspection restrictions. My inspection was limited.



Recommendations

14.3.1 Garage Vehicle Door Opener





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There is a defect at a warning label.

The garage door should have the following warning labels:

- 1. a spring warning label attached to the spring assembly or the back of the door panel;
- 2. a general warning label attached to the back of the door panel;
- 3. a warning label near the wall control button; and
- 4. two warning labels attached to the door in the vicinity of the bottom corner brackets. Some newer doors have tamper-resistant bottom corner brackets that do not require these warning labels.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



14.3.2 Garage Vehicle Door Opener



PHOTO-ELECTRIC EYES WERE TOO HIGH

I observed that the photo-electric eyes are installed too high from the garage floor surface.

The vertical distance between the photo-eye beam and the floor should be no more than 6 inches.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified garage door contractor.



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15: KITCHEN

Information

Garbage Disposal: Turned On Garbage Disposal

I turned on the garbage disposal.



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



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Dishwasher: Inspected Dishwasher

I inspected the dishwasher by turning it on and letting it run a short cycle.







Range/Oven/Cooktop: Turned On Stove & Oven

I turned on the kitchen's stove and oven.







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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

15.3.1 GFCI

MISSING GFCI PROTECTION

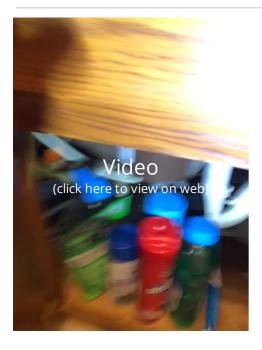


I observed indications of missing GFCI protection in the kitchen. All kitchen counter receptacles are required to be GFCI protected.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

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15.4.1 AFCI

MISSING AFCI PROTECTION



I observed indications of missing AFCI protection in the kitchen.

All wall kitchen receptacles should be AFCI protected. Kitchen counter receptacles should be GFCI protected.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

15.5.1 Dishwasher

MISSING GFCI PROTECTION



I observed a defect at the GFCI for the dishwasher. There is missing GFCI protection for the dishwasher.

Ground-fault circuit-interrupter (GFCI) protection must be provided for outlets that supply dishwashers installed in a house (NEC 2014 210.8.D).

GFCI devices must be readily accessible.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified appliance repair professional.



15.8.1 Floors, Walls, Ceilings

MOISTURE DAMAGE



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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.



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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.

Chimney, Fireplace, or Stove

I. The inspector shall inspect:

- 1. readily accessible and visible portions of the fireplaces and chimneys;
- lintels above the fireplace openings;
- 3. damper doors by opening and closing them, if readily accessible and manually operable; and
- 4. cleanout doors and frames.

II. The inspector shall describe:

1. the type of fireplace.

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

- 1. evidence of joint separation, damage or deterioration of the hearth, hearth extension or chambers;
- 2. manually operated dampers that did not open and close;
- 3. the lack of a smoke detector in the same room as the fireplace;
- 4. the lack of a carbon-monoxide detector in the same room as the fireplace; and
- 5. cleanouts not made of metal, pre-cast cement, or other non-combustible material.

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, Crawlspace & Structure I. The inspector shall inspect:

the foundation; the basement; the crawlspace; 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.

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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

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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:

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

Attached Garage The inspector shall inspect:

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.

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.

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