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MAINTENANCE ITEM



RECOMMENDATION



SAFETY HAZARD

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1: INSPECTION DETAILS

Information

In Attendance Client, Client's Agent	Occupancy Furnished, Occupied	Style Contemporary
Temperature 67 Fahrenheit (F)	Type of Building Single Family, Attached	Weather Conditions Clear, Dry

2: EXTERIOR

Information

General: Inspection Method Visual	Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding Material Brick Veneer, Stucco	Exterior Doors: Exterior Entry Door Wood, Glass
Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps: Appurtenance Front Porch, Covered Porch, Sidewalk, Patio	Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps: Material Concrete	Walkways, Patios & Driveways: Driveway Material Concrete

Deficiencies

2.2.1 Siding, Flashing & Trim

CRACKING - MINOR

RIGHT SIDE, REAR AND LEFT SIDE OF HOME

Siding showed cracking in one or more places. This is a result of temperature changes, and typical as homes with stucco age. Recommend monitoring.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.

 Recommendation



2.2.2 Siding, Flashing & Trim

LOOSE BRICK

FRONT BRICK FACADE LEFT OF GARAGE DOOR

The brick facade at the front of the home has loose brick(s). These bricks should be reset and sealed to prevent water intrusion.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.

 Recommendation



2.5.1 Eaves, Soffits & Fascia

EAVES - DAMAGED

PLYWOOD CEILING AT FRONT PORCH

 Recommendation

One or more sections of the eaves are damaged. Recommend qualified roofer evaluate & repair.

Slight delamination noted at the plywood ceiling at the front porch. This appears to be caused by just moisture in the air and plywood being outside for a number of years. It does not suggest a roof leak.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



2.6.1 Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls



Recommendation

VEGETATION TOO CLOSE TO HOUSE

ALL AROUND HOME

Landscaping bushes were too close to the house. This can lead to siding damage and is a pathway for pests to enter the home. Bushes should be trimmed to allow clearance to the home.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified lawn care professional.



2.7.1 Walkways, Patios & Driveways



Recommendation

DRIVEWAY CRACKING - MINOR

DRIVEWAY

Minor cosmetic cracks observed, which may indicate movement in the soil. Recommend monitor and/or have driveway contractor patch/seal.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



2.7.2 Walkways, Patios & Driveways



Recommendation

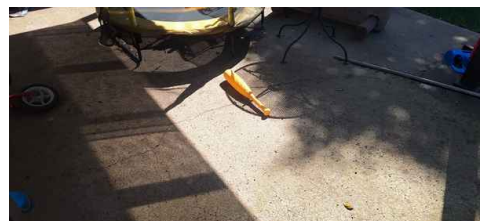
PATIO CRACKING - MAJOR

REAR PATIO

Significant settling & cracking observed. Further deterioration could result. Recommend concrete contractor evaluate & repair.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



2.7.3 Walkways, Patios & Driveways



Recommendation

WALKWAY CRACKING - MINOR

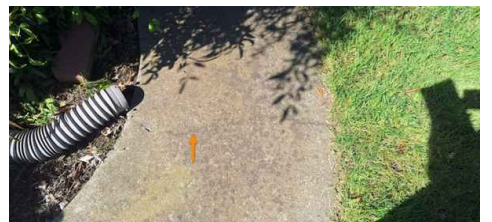
RIGHT SIDE WALKWAY

Minor cosmetic cracks observed. Recommend monitor and/or patch/seal.

[Here is a DIY article](#) on repairing cracked sidewalks.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



3: ROOF

Information

Inspection Method Roof	Roof Type/Style Hip	Coverings: Material Solar, Asphalt, TPO
Roof Drainage Systems: Gutter Material Seamless Aluminum	Flashings: Material Aluminum	

Deficiencies

3.2.1 Roof Drainage Systems

GUTTER DAMAGED

 Recommendation

Gutters were damaged. This can result in excessive moisture in the soil at the foundation, which can lead to foundation/structural movement. Recommend a qualified contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation
Recommend monitoring.



3.2.2 Roof Drainage Systems

DOWNSPOUT DETACHED FROM HOUSE

2 EACH AT THE REAR OF THE HOME

 Recommendation

A rain gutter downspout was detached or not securely attached to the home

Recommendation
Contact a qualified handyman.



3.2.3 Roof Drainage Systems

LEAK STAINS

LEFT FRONT CORNER

Areas of the rain gutters showed staining from prior leaks. No leaks were observed at the time of inspection, as it was dry.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified gutter contractor



4: BASEMENT, FOUNDATION, CRAWLSPACE & STRUCTURE

Information

Foundation: Material
Concrete

Floor Structure:
Basement/Crawlspace Floor
Dirt

Floor Structure: Material
Wood Beams
Floor Structure: Sub-floor
Plank

5: HEATING

Information

AFUE Rating

80

AFUE (Annual fuel utilization efficiency) is a metric used to measure furnace efficiency in converting fuel to energy. A higher AFUE rating means greater energy efficiency. 90% or higher meets the Department of Energy's Energy Star program standard.

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.

Equipment: Brand

Lennox

Equipment: Energy Source

Gas

Equipment: Heat Type

Forced Air

Distribution Systems: Ductwork

Insulated

6: COOLING

Information

Cooling Equipment: Brand Lennox	Cooling Equipment: Energy Source/Type Ceiling Fan	Cooling Equipment: Location Roof
Cooling Equipment: SEER Rating 14 SEER Modern standards call for at least 13 SEER rating for new install. Read more on energy efficient air conditioning at Energy.gov .		
Distribution System: Configuration Central, Split		

7: PLUMBING

Information

Filters None	Water Source Public	Main Water Shut-off Device: Location Front of home
		
Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems: Drain Size 1 1/2", 2", 3"	Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems: Material Iron	Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures: Distribution Material Galvanized
Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures: Water Supply Material Galvanized	Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Capacity 40 gallons	Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Location Garage
Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Manufacturer AO Smith I recommend flushing & servicing your water heater tank annually for optimal performance. Water temperature should be set to at least 120 degrees F to kill microbes and no higher than 130 degrees F to prevent scalding. Here is a nice maintenance guide from Lowe's to help.		
Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Power Source/Type Gas	Fuel Storage & Distribution Systems: Main Gas Shut-off Location Right side of home Gas Meter	Sump Pump: Location None
		

Deficiencies

7.3.1 Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures

SHOWER HEAD LEAKING

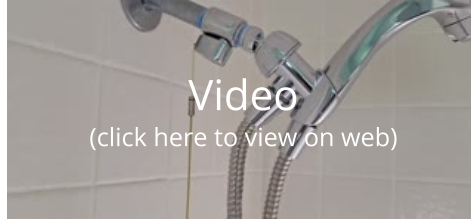
PRIMARY BATHROOM

The shower head is leaking from the connection between the shower head and the supply hose.

Maintenance Item

Recommendation

Contact a handyman or DIY project



7.3.2 Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures



Maintenance Item

CLOGGED AERATOR

GARAGE LAUNDRY SINK

A sink faucet aerator is clogged, either restricting the flow of water or producing irregular spray patterns.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



7.3.3 Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures



Recommendation

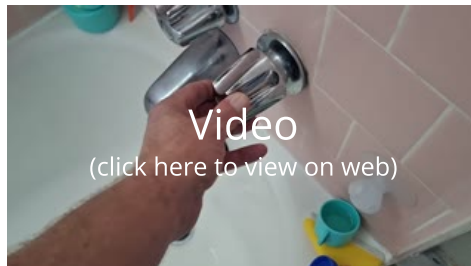
TUB OR SHOWER HANDLES ARE LOOSE

GUEST BATHROOM

The tub or shower valve handles are loose and should be tightened.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



7.3.4 Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures



Recommendation

HOSE BIB HANDLE MISSING

LEFT SIDE OF HOME

An exterior hose bib handle was missing, rendering the hose bib inoperational.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



7.3.5 Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures

PAT WATER LEAK

KITCHEN SINK BASE CABINET

There is evidence of a past water leak under a sink. At the time of inspection, no leak was detected and the area was dry.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



Recommendation



7.4.1 Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents

TPR DISCHARGE DRAIN IS UNDERSIZED

GARAGE

The TPR Discharge valve attached drain line is undersized. In an over-heat situation it is possible that the valve would not perform as expected.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.



Safety Hazard



7.4.2 Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents

TPR PLUMBED IN PVC PIPE

GARAGE

The water heater's TPR valve is plumbed with PVC pipe. Standard PVC (like Schedule 40) is only rated for cold water; it can soften and fail if exposed to very hot water from the relief valve, potentially causing serious burns or property damage.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.



Recommendation



8: ELECTRICAL

Information

**Service Entrance Conductors:
Electrical Service Conductors**

Overhead, 220 Volts, Aluminum

**Main & Subpanels, Service &
Grounding, Main Overcurrent
Device: Panel Manufacturer**

Unknown

**Branch Wiring Circuits, Breakers
& Fuses: Branch Wire 15 and 20
AMP**

Copper

**Main & Subpanels, Service &
Grounding, Main Overcurrent
Device: Main Panel Location**

Left

**Main & Subpanels, Service &
Grounding, Main Overcurrent
Device: Panel Type**

Circuit Breaker

**Branch Wiring Circuits, Breakers
& Fuses: Wiring Method**

Romex

**Main & Subpanels, Service &
Grounding, Main Overcurrent
Device: Panel Capacity**

175 AMP

**Main & Subpanels, Service &
Grounding, Main Overcurrent
Device: Sub Panel Location**

Garage

Deficiencies

8.4.1 Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles

BOX CLAMP MISSING

KITCHEN

A box clamp is required to secure the appliance cord to the garbage disposal.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



Recommendation



8.4.2 Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles

DOOR BELL BUTTON NOT ATTACHED

FRONT PORCH

The door bell button was not attached to the siding of the home.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



Recommendation



8.4.3 Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles

**GARBAGE DISPOSAL WIRED WITH
ROMEX**

UNDER KITCHEN SINK

The garbage disposal is wired with Romex wiring. Romex wiring is not rated for this purpose. The Romex wiring should be replaced with a proper appliance cord.



Recommendation



Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.

8.6.1 Smoke Detectors

MISSING

PRIMARY BEDROOM

Smoke detectors are required in each sleeping room and each hallway leading to sleeping rooms.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



9: FIREPLACE

Information

Type

Wood

Deficiencies

9.2.1 Lintels

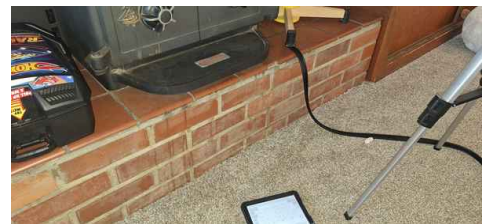
HEARTH INSUFFICIENT LENGTH

FAMILY ROOM WOOD STOVE

Fireplace hearth should extend a minimum of 20 inches from the front and 12 inches to both sides of fireplace. Recommend a qualified fireplace contractor evaluate and remedy.



Recommendation



9.2.2 Lintels

HEARTH DAMAGED

LIVING ROOM FIREPLACE

Damage noted to the hearth masonry. Likely from splitting wood inside the home.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified masonry professional.



Recommendation



9.3.1 Damper Doors

DAMPER INOPERABLE

LIVING ROOM FIREPLACE

Damper was inoperable, which could allow toxic fumes into the home. Recommend a qualified fireplace contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified fireplace contractor.



Recommendation



9.4.1 Cleanout Doors & Frames

ASH PAN DOOR DAMAGED

OUTSIDE RIGHT HAND SIDE

The ash pan door on the exterior of the fireplace has a broken hinge.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified chimney sweep.



Recommendation



10: ATTIC, INSULATION & VENTILATION

Information

Dryer Power Source 110 Volt, 220 Electric	Dryer Vent Vents into water filled lint pot indoors	Flooring Insulation None
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Limitations

General

NO ACCESS

GARAGE

Access hatch to attic space in the garage was blocked by appliances and was not inspected.

11: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

Information

Windows: Window Manufacturer Unknown	Windows: Window Type Casement, Sliders, Thermal	Floors: Floor Coverings Hardwood, Linoleum
Walls: Wall Material Gypsum Board	Ceilings: Ceiling Material Gypsum Board	Countertops & Cabinets: Cabinetry Wood
Countertops & Cabinets: Countertop Material Laminate, Tile		

Deficiencies

11.1.1 Doors

DOOR STICKS

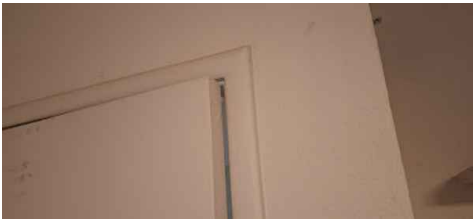
FIRST GUEST BEDROOM, SECOND GUEST BEDROOM

Door sticks and is tough to open. Recommend sanding down offending sides.

[Here is a helpful DIY article](#) on how to fix a sticking door.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



11.2.1 Windows

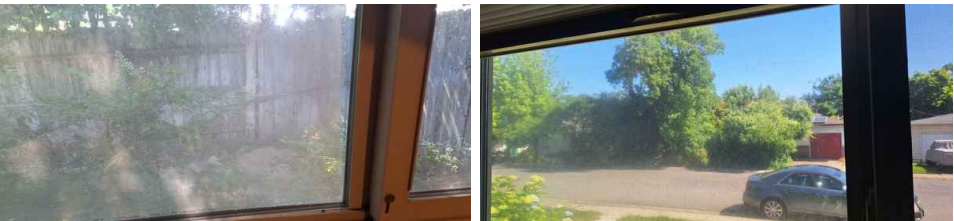
FAILED SEAL

SECOND GUEST BEDROOM, PRIMARY BEDROOM

Observed condensation between the window panes, which indicates a failed seal. Recommend qualified window contractor evaluate & replace.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified window repair/installation contractor.



12: BUILT-IN APPLIANCES

Information

Dishwasher: Brand
Bosch

Range/Oven/Cooktop: Exhaust Hood Type
Vented

Range/Oven/Cooktop: Range/Oven Brand
LG

Range/Oven/Cooktop: Range/Oven Energy Source
Gas

13: GARAGE

Information

Garage Door: Material Metal	Garage Door: Type Up-and-Over
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Deficiencies

13.2.1 Floor

CRACKING - MINOR

GARAGE FLOOR

Typical shrinkage cracks were noted in the garage floor. This condition appears normal and does not suggest a structural issue.

Recommendation
Recommend monitoring.

 Recommendation



13.4.1 Garage Door

IMPACT DAMAGE

LEFT GARAGE DOOR

Impact damage was noted to a garage door panel.

 Recommendation



STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

Inspection Details

Exterior

I. The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. wall coverings, flashing, and trim. 2. exterior doors. 3. attached and adjacent decks, balconies, stoops, steps, porches, and their associated railings. 4. eaves, soffits, and fascias where accessible from the ground level. 5. vegetation, grading, surface drainage, and retaining walls that are likely to adversely affect the building. 6. adjacent and entryway walkways, patios, and driveways. B. describe wall coverings.

II. The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. screening, shutters, awnings, and similar seasonal accessories. B. fences, boundary walls, and similar structures. C. geological and soil conditions. D. recreational facilities. E. outbuildings other than garages and carports. F. seawalls, break-walls, and docks. G. erosion control and earth stabilization measures.

Roof

I. The inspector shall inspect from ground level or the eaves: A. the roof-covering materials; B. the gutters; C. the downspouts; D. the vents, flashing, skylights, chimney, and other roof penetrations; and E. the general structure of the roof from the readily accessible panels, doors or stairs.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. the type of roof-covering materials.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. observed indications of active roof leaks.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. walk on any roof surface. B. predict the service life expectancy. C. inspect underground downspout diverter drainage pipes. D. remove snow, ice, debris or other conditions that prohibit the observation of the roof surfaces. E. move insulation. F. inspect antennae, satellite dishes, lightning arresters, de-icing equipment, or similar attachments. G. walk on any roof areas that appear, in the inspectors opinion, to be unsafe. H. walk on any roof areas if doing so might, in the inspector's opinion, cause damage. I. perform a water test. J. warrant or certify the roof. K. confirm proper fastening or installation of any roof-covering material.

Basement, Foundation, Crawlspace & Structure

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the foundation; B. the basement; C. the crawlspace; and D. structural components.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. the type of foundation; and B. the location of the access to the under-floor space.

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

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. enter any crawlspace that is not readily accessible, or where entry could cause damage or pose a hazard to him/herself. B. move stored items or debris. C. operate sump pumps with inaccessible floats. D. identify the size, spacing, span or location or determine the adequacy of foundation bolting, bracing, joists, joist spans or support systems. E. provide any engineering or architectural service. F. report on the adequacy of any structural system or component.

Heating

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the heating system, using normal operating controls.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. the location of the thermostat for the heating system; B. the energy source; and C. the heating method.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. any heating system that did not operate; and B. if the heating system was deemed inaccessible.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. inspect or evaluate the interior of flues or chimneys, fire chambers, heat exchangers, combustion air systems, fresh-air intakes, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, electronic air filters, geothermal systems, or solar heating systems. B. inspect fuel tanks or underground or concealed fuel supply systems. C. determine the uniformity, temperature, flow, balance, distribution, size, capacity, BTU, or supply adequacy of the heating system. D. light or ignite pilot flames. E. activate heating, heat pump systems, or other heating systems when ambient temperatures or other circumstances are not conducive to safe operation or may damage the equipment. F. override electronic thermostats. G. evaluate fuel quality. H. verify thermostat calibration, heat anticipation, or automatic setbacks, timers, programs or clocks.

Cooling

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the cooling system, using normal operating controls.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. the location of the thermostat for the cooling system; and B. the cooling method.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. any cooling system that did not operate; and B. if the cooling system was deemed inaccessible.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. determine the uniformity, temperature, flow, balance, distribution, size, capacity, BTU, or supply adequacy of the cooling system. B. inspect portable window units, through-wall units, or electronic air filters. C. operate equipment or systems if the exterior temperature is below 65 Fahrenheit, or when other circumstances are not conducive to safe operation or may damage the equipment. D. inspect or determine thermostat calibration, cooling anticipation, or automatic setbacks or clocks. E. examine electrical current, coolant fluids or gases, or coolant leakage.

Plumbing

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the main water supply shut-off valve; B. the main fuel supply shut-off valve; C. the water heating equipment, including the energy source, venting connections, temperature/pressure-relief (TPR) valves, Watts 210 valves, and seismic bracing; D. interior water supply, including all fixtures and faucets, by running the water; E. all toilets for proper operation by flushing; F. all sinks, tubs and showers for functional drainage; G. the drain, waste and vent system; and H. drainage sump pumps with accessible floats.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. whether the water supply is public or private based upon observed evidence; B. the location of the main water supply shut-off valve; C. the location of the main fuel supply shut-off valve; D. the location of any observed fuel-storage system; and E. the capacity of the water heating equipment, if labeled.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. deficiencies in the water supply by viewing the functional flow in two fixtures operated simultaneously; B. deficiencies in the installation of hot and cold water faucets; C. mechanical drain stops that were missing or did not operate if installed in sinks, lavatories and tubs; and D. toilets that were damaged, had loose connections to the floor, were leaking, or had tank components that did not operate.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. light or ignite pilot flames. B. measure the capacity, temperature, age, life expectancy or adequacy of the water heater. C. inspect the interior of flues or chimneys, combustion air systems, water softener or filtering systems, well pumps or tanks, safety or shut-off valves, floor drains, lawn sprinkler systems, or fire sprinkler systems. D. determine the exact flow rate, volume, pressure, temperature or adequacy of the water supply. E. determine the water quality, potability or reliability of the water supply or source. F. open sealed plumbing access panels. G. inspect clothes washing machines or their connections. H. operate any valve. I. test shower pans, tub and shower surrounds or enclosures for leakage or functional overflow protection. J. evaluate the compliance with conservation, energy or building standards, or the proper design or sizing of any water, waste or venting components, fixtures or piping. K. determine the effectiveness of anti-siphon, backflow prevention or drain-stop devices. L. determine whether there are sufficient cleanouts for effective cleaning of drains. M. evaluate fuel storage tanks or supply systems. N. inspect wastewater treatment systems. O. inspect water treatment systems or water filters. P. inspect water storage tanks, pressure pumps, or bladder tanks. Q. evaluate wait time to obtain hot water at fixtures, or perform testing of any kind to water heater elements. R. evaluate or determine the adequacy of combustion air. S. test, operate, open or close: safety controls, manual stop valves, temperature/pressure-relief valves, control valves, or check valves. T. examine ancillary or auxiliary systems or components, such as, but not limited to, those related to solar water heating and hot water circulation. U. determine the existence or condition of polybutylene plumbing. V. inspect or test for gas or fuel leaks, or indications thereof.

Electrical

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the service drop; B. the overhead service conductors and attachment point; C. the service head, gooseneck and drip loops; D. the service mast, service conduit and raceway; E. the electric meter and base; F. service-entrance conductors; G. the main service disconnect; H. panelboards and over-current protection devices (circuit breakers and fuses); I. service grounding and bonding; J. 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; K. all ground-fault circuit interrupter receptacles and circuit breakers observed and deemed to be GFCIs using a GFCI tester, where possible; and L. smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. the main service disconnect's amperage rating, if labeled; and B. the type of wiring observed.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. deficiencies in the integrity of the service entrance conductors insulation, drip loop, and vertical clearances from grade and roofs; B. any unused circuit-breaker panel opening that was not filled; C. the presence of solid conductor aluminum branch-circuit wiring, if readily visible; D. 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 E. the absence of smoke detectors.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. insert any tool, probe or device into the main panelboard, sub-panels, distribution panelboards, or electrical fixtures. B. operate electrical systems that are shut down. C. remove panelboard cabinet covers or dead fronts. D. operate or re-set over-current protection devices or overload devices. E. operate or test smoke or

carbon-monoxide detectors or alarms F. inspect, operate or test any security, fire or alarms systems or components, or other warning or signaling systems. G. measure or determine the amperage or voltage of the main service equipment, if not visibly labeled. H. inspect ancillary wiring or remote-control devices. I. activate any electrical systems or branch circuits that are not energized. J. inspect low-voltage systems, electrical de-icing tapes, swimming pool wiring, or any timecontrolled devices. K. verify the service ground. L. inspect private or emergency electrical supply sources, including, but not limited to: generators, windmills, photovoltaic solar collectors, or battery or electrical storage facility. M. inspect spark or lightning arrestors. N. inspect or test de-icing equipment. O. conduct voltage-drop calculations. P. determine the accuracy of labeling. Q. inspect exterior lighting.

Fireplace

I. The inspector shall inspect: readily accessible and visible portions of the fireplaces and chimneys; lintels above the fireplace openings; damper doors by opening and closing them, if readily accessible and manually operable; and cleanout doors and frames.

II. The inspector shall describe: the type of fireplace.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: evidence of joint separation, damage or deterioration of the hearth, hearth extension or chambers; manually operated dampers that did not open and close; the lack of a smoke detector in the same room as the fireplace; the lack of a carbon-monoxide detector in the same room as the fireplace; and cleanouts not made of metal, pre-cast cement, or other non-combustible material.

IV. The inspector is not required to: inspect the flue or vent system. inspect the interior of chimneys or flues, fire doors or screens, seals or gaskets, or mantels. Determine the need for a chimney sweep, perate gas fireplace inserts, light pilot flames, determine the appropriateness of any installation, inspect automatic fuel-fed devices, inspect combustion and/or make-up air devices, inspect heat-distribution assists, whether gravity-controlled or fan-assisted, ignite or extinguish fires, determine the adequacy of drafts or draft characteristics, move fireplace inserts, stoves or firebox contents, perform a smoke test, dismantle or remove any component, perform a National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)-style inspection perform a Phase I fireplace and chimney inspection.

Attic, Insulation & Ventilation

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. insulation in unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas; B. ventilation of unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas; and C. mechanical exhaust systems in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry area.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. the type of insulation observed; and B. the approximate average depth of insulation observed at the unfinished attic floor area or roof structure.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. the general absence of insulation or ventilation in unfinished spaces.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. enter the attic or any unfinished spaces that are not readily accessible, or where entry could cause damage or, in the inspector's opinion, pose a safety hazard. B. move, touch or disturb insulation. C. move, touch or disturb vapor retarders. D. break or otherwise damage the surface finish or weather seal on or around access panels or covers. E. identify the composition or R-value of insulation material. F. activate thermostatically operated fans. G. determine the types of materials used in insulation or wrapping of pipes, ducts, jackets, boilers or wiring. H. determine the adequacy of ventilation.

Doors, Windows & Interior

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. a representative number of doors and windows by opening and closing them; B. floors, walls and ceilings; C. stairs, steps, landings, stairways and ramps; D. railings, guards and handrails; and E. garage vehicle doors and the operation of garage vehicle door openers, using normal operating controls.

II. The inspector shall describe: A. a garage vehicle door as manually-operated or installed with a garage door opener.

III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. improper spacing between intermediate balusters, spindles and rails for steps, stairways, guards and railings; B. photo-electric safety sensors that did not operate properly; and C. any window that was obviously fogged or displayed other evidence of broken seals.

IV. The inspector is not required to: A. inspect paint, wallpaper, window treatments or finish treatments. B. inspect floor coverings or carpeting. C. inspect central vacuum systems. D. inspect for safety glazing. E. inspect security systems or components. F. evaluate the fastening of islands, countertops, cabinets, sink tops or fixtures. G. move furniture, stored items, or any coverings, such as carpets or rugs, in order to inspect the concealed floor structure. H. move suspended-ceiling tiles. I. inspect or move any household appliances. J. inspect or operate equipment housed in the garage, except as otherwise noted. K. verify or certify the proper operation of any pressure-activated auto-reverse or related safety feature of a garage door. L. operate or evaluate any security bar release and opening mechanisms, whether interior or exterior, including their compliance with local, state or federal standards. M. operate any system, appliance or component that requires the use of special keys, codes, combinations or devices. N. operate or evaluate self-cleaning oven cycles, tilt guards/latches, or signal lights. O. inspect microwave ovens or test leakage from microwave ovens. P. operate or examine any sauna, steamgenerating equipment, kiln, toaster, ice maker, coffee maker, can opener, bread warmer, blender, instant hot-water dispenser, or other small, ancillary appliances or devices. Q. inspect elevators. R. inspect remote controls. S.

inspect appliances. T. inspect items not permanently installed. U. discover firewall compromises. V. inspect pools, spas or fountains. W. determine the adequacy of whirlpool or spa jets, water force, or bubble effects. X. determine the structural integrity or leakage of pools or spas.