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# **SUMMARY**

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MAINTENANCE / MONITORS

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Doors, Windows & Interior - Doors: Doesn't Latch / Lock
Exterior - Soffits & Fascia: Wasp / Bee Nest
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Exterior - Windows: Window Well - Failure
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Plumbing - Fixtures: Tub/Shower Faucet - Seal
Foundation and Structure - Floor Structure: Slab - Minor Cracking
Foundation and Structure - Wall Structure: Framing - Modified / Improper
Foundation and Structure - Foundation: Cracking - Minor
Garage - Garage Door Opener and Safety: Resistance Settings - Need Adjustment

## 1: INSPECTION DETAILS

IN NI NP R

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## **Information**

**In Attendance** 

Client, Buyer Agent

**Utilities** 

Gas, Water, Electric

**Occupancy** 

Furnished, Occupied

Weather

Clear

**Style of Home** 

Ranch

**Temperature** 

48 F



### **Occupied / Furnished Disclaimer**

Due to the home being furnished, all floor surfaces, wall surfaces, countertop surfaces, windows, and electrical receptacles could not be inspected or tested.

## 2: FOR YOUR INFORMATION

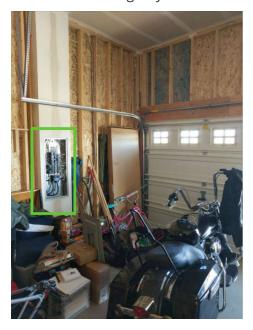
		IN	NI	NP	R
2.1	Electrical - Main Disconnect	Χ			
2.2	Gas - Main Shut Off Valve	Χ			
2.3	Water - Main Shut Off Valve	Χ			

## **Information**

#### **Electrical - Main Disconnect: Location**

Garage

I recommend that everyone living in the home familiarizes themselves with the location of the electrical service panel and the disconnect used to shut off power to the whole house. Knowing the location of the panel may be beneficial to all members of the family, whether it's to reset a tripped breaker or to disconnect power in the event of an emergency.



#### **Gas - Main Shut Off Valve: Location**

At The Meter, South Side, Against an Exterior Wall

I recommend that everyone living in the home familiarizes themselves with the location of the main shut off valve for the gas. If home renovations are being done, it may be necessary to locate and turn off the gas. In the event that natural gas was smelled in the home, it may be a good idea to locate and shut off the gas until the local utility company could evaluate the smell.





#### Water - Main Shut Off Valve: Location

Utility Room, Basement

I recommend that everyone living in the home familiarizes themselves with the location of the main shut off valve for the water. In the event of a plumbing emergency, knowing where it is and how to turn the water off can limit damage and save time, money and avoid costly repairs from water damage.





## 3: ROOF COVERINGS AND DRAINAGE

		IN	NI	NP	R
3.1	Coverings	Χ			
3.2	Roof Drainage Systems	Χ			Х
3.3	Flashings	Χ			
3.4	Skylights, Chimneys & Other Roof Penetrations	Χ			

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**Coverings: Material** 

Asphalt, Architectural

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## **Information**

Inspection Method

Roof

Roof Drainage Systems: Gutter Material

Seamless Aluminum

Roof Type / Style
Gable

**Flashings: Material** 

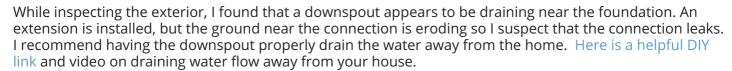
## Aluminum

### **Recommendations**

3.2.1 Roof Drainage Systems

### **DOWNSPOUT - DRAINING NEAR FOUNDATION**

**SOUTHWEST CORNER** 



Recommendation





3.2.2 Roof Drainage Systems



# DOWNSPOUTS - DRAINING NEAR FOUNDATION

While inspecting the exterior, I found that several of the downspouts drain too close to the home's foundation. This can result in excessive moisture in the soil near the foundation, which can lead to foundation/structural movement. The home already has the extensions installed, I recommend keeping them in the down position in order to disperse the water away from the home.

Here is a helpful DIY link and video on draining water flow away from your house.

Recommendation



## 4: EXTERIOR

		IN	NI	NP	R
4.1	Siding, Flashing & Trim	Χ			
4.2	Exterior Doors	Χ			Χ
4.3	Walkways, Patios & Driveways	Χ			Х
4.4	Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps	Χ			
4.5	Soffits & Fascia	Χ			Х
4.6	Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls	Χ			Х
4.7	Fence	Χ			Χ
4.8	Windows	Χ			Χ

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## **Information**

**Inspection Method** 

Visual, Ladder, Roof

**Exterior Doors: Exterior Entry Doors** 

Sliding Glass Door

**Decks, Balconies, Porches &** 

**Steps: Material**Concrete

Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding Material

Brick Veneer, Stucco

Walkways, Patios & Driveways: Driveway Material

Concrete

Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding

**Style** N/A

Decks, Balconies, Porches &

**Steps: Structure** 

Patio

## **Recommendations**

4.2.1 Exterior Doors

#### **PATIO DOOR - DAMAGED SCREEN**

**BACK PATIO** 

When I inspected the sliding patio door, I observed that the screen was damaged. I recommend having the screen repaired or replaced.

Recommendation

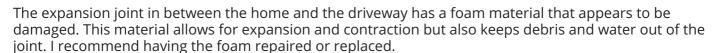




4.3.1 Walkways, Patios & Driveways

## **EXPANSION JOINT - REPAIR / REPLACE FOAM**

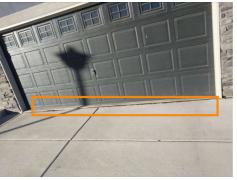
**DRIVEWAY** 



Recommendation

Contact a handyman or DIY project





4.5.1 Soffits & Fascia

## **WASP / BEE NEST**



While inspecting the soffit and fascia, it appeared that a wasp or bee nest was recently removed. I recommend contacting a Pest Control Professional if the pests return in the future.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified pest control specialist.





4.6.1 Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls



#### **EROSION**

Excessive erosion is occurring in one or more areas of grading around the home. Other homes in the area appear to have gravel along the perimeter of the home. I suspect this would help with the drainage of the South exterior side of the home. I recommend having the erosion evaluated and addressed in order to prevent further issues.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified landscaper or gardener.

4.7.1 Fence



## **GATE - NEEDS ADJUSTMENT OR REPAIR**

While inspecting the fence, the gate did not open or close properly. I recommend having the gate repaired or adjusted in order to allow for a smooth operation.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.





4.8.1 Windows

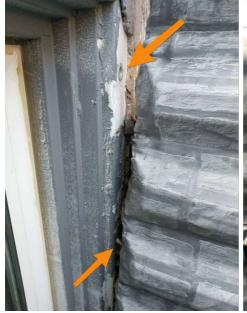
### **WINDOW WELL - FAILURE**

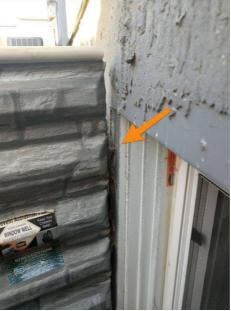
SOUTHEAST CORNER

Window wells show signs of failure. The sides appear to be bowing in and the fasteners that secured the well to the home have failed. I recommend having evaluated by a professional for repair or replacement.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.







4.8.2 Windows

## **WINDOW WELL - FAILURE**

**SOUTHWEST CORNER** 

Window wells show signs of failure. The sides appear to be bowing in and the fasteners that secured the well to the home have failed. I recommend having evaluated by a professional for repair or replacement.



Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.









4.8.3 Windows

## WINDOW WELL - REPLACE DRAINAGE CAP



The drainage systems installed in the window wells are missing caps in most of the wells. These caps allow water to enter the drain pipe but keep debris out. In order to maintain proper drainage, I recommend having new caps installed.

Recommendation



## 5: GARAGE

		IN	NI	NP	R
5.1	Floor	Χ			
5.2	Wall & Ceiling	Χ			
5.3	Firewall	Χ			
5.4	Garage Door	Χ			
5.5	Garage Door Opener and Safety	Χ			Χ
5.6	Occupant Door (From garage to inside of home)	Χ			

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### **Information**

Floor: Material Garage Door: Material Garage Door: Type

Concrete Insulated, Fiberglass Up-and-Over, Automatic

**Garage Door Opener and Safety: Garage Door Opener and Safety: Garage Door Opener and Safety:** 

Resistance Settings Sensor Height Sensors

Needs Adjustment Good Functioning

### **Recommendations**

5.5.1 Garage Door Opener and Safety



# RESISTANCE SETTINGS - NEED ADJUSTMENT

The garage door does not automatically reverse when resistance is applied while it's coming down. This test is done to simulate if a child or pet were to be laying under the door so this is a safety hazard. I recommend having the resistance setting adjusted.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



## 6: ELECTRICAL

		IN	NI	NP	R
6.1	Service Entrance Conductors	Χ			
6.2	Main & Subpanels, Service & Grounding, Main Overcurrent Device	Χ			
6.3	Branch Wiring Circuits, Breakers & Fuses	Χ			Х
6.4	GFCI & AFCI	Χ			
6.5	Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles	Χ			Х
6.6	Smoke Detectors	Χ			
6.7	Carbon Monoxide Detectors	Χ			

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## **Information**

**Service Entrance Conductors: Electrical Service Conductors** 

Below Ground, 220 Volts

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

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

Copper

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

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

Circuit Breaker

& Fuses: Wiring Method

Romex

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

200 AMP

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

None

## **Recommendations**

6.3.1 Branch Wiring Circuits, Breakers & **Fuses** 



#### **EXPOSED WIRES**

SOUTH EXTERIOR

While inspecting the irrigation system, a wire that runs from the control module to the sprinkler zone valves appears to be exposed and is susceptible to damage. I recommend having the wire enclosed inside of conduit in order to protect the wire from any damage.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



6.5.1 Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles



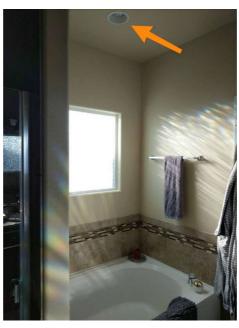
### **LIGHT FIXTURE - INOPERABLE**

FRONT PORCH, MASTER BATHROOM

One or more lights were not operating during the inspection. It could be just a defective light bulb, however I recommend having the circuit evaluated to ensure that it does function,

Recommendation





## 7: FOUNDATION AND STRUCTURE

		IN	NI	NP	R
7.1	Foundation	Χ			Χ
7.2	Floor Structure	Χ			Χ
7.3	Wall Structure	Χ			Χ
7.4	Ceiling Structure	Χ			

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## **Information**

**Inspection Method** 

Visual

Floor Structure: Material

TIIs

**Foundation: Material** 

Concrete

Floor Structure: Sub-floor

**OSB** 

**Foundation: Style** 

Basement

Floor Structure:

**Basement/CrawIspace Floor** 

Concrete

#### Insulated / Finished Walls Disclaimer

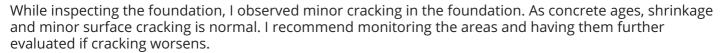
Foundation basement or crawlspace walls were finished and/or insulated at the time of inspection. Only walls which were fully exposed could be thoroughly inspected for structural deficiencies.

### **Recommendations**

7.1.1 Foundation

#### **CRACKING - MINOR**

SOUTHWEST CORNER



Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.





7.2.1 Floor Structure

**SLAB - MINOR CRACKING** 



While inspecting the concrete slab in the home, I observed minor cracking. This is very typical in this area and is due to soil movement. I would consider these cracks purely cosmetic but I do recommend using a sealant to prevent water intrusion. Then monitor and maintain as necessary.

Recommendation

Recommend monitoring.



7.3.1 Wall Structure

## FRAMING - MODIFIED / IMPROPER



**BASEMENT UTILITY ROOM** 

An area of an interior wall appears to have been improperly modified in order to have a tub drain installed. I recommend having the framing evaluated to and repaired if deemed necessary by a professional.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



## 8: HEATING

		IN	NI	NP	R
8.1	Equipment	Χ			
8.2	Normal Operating Controls	Χ			
8.3	Distribution Systems	Χ			
8.4	Vents, Flues & Chimneys	Χ			
8.5	Presence of Installed Heat Source in Each Room	Χ			

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### **Information**

**Equipment: Brand** 

Lennox

**Distribution Systems: Ductwork** Presence of Installed Heat Non-observable

**Equipment: Energy Source** 

Natural Gas

**Source in Each Room: Location** 

Wall, Floor Surface

**Equipment: Heat Type** 

Forced Air

**Presence of Installed Heat Source in Each Room: Type** 

Register

### **AFUE Rating**

NA

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.

## 9: COOLING

		IN	NI	NP	R
9.1	Cooling Equipment	Χ			Χ
9.2	Normal Operating Controls	Χ			
9.3	Distribution System	Χ			
9.4	Presence of Installed Cooling Source in Each Room	Χ			

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### **Information**

Cooling Equipment: Brand Cooling Equipment: Energy Cooling Equipment: Location

Armstrong Source/Type Exterior South

Electric

**Cooling Equipment: SEER Rating Distribution System:** NA **Configuration** 

Central

#### Unable to Test Functionality Due to Temperature Being Below 65 Degrees F

Testing an Air Conditioning system when temperatures are 65 degrees or below can actually cause damage to the system. I recommend requesting that the AC is fully operational during the final walk through.

## Recommendations

9.1.1 Cooling Equipment

### **EROSION UNDER CONDENSOR PAD**



The concrete pad supporting the AC condenser appears to have major corrosion around it. I recommend monitoring the AC system for leaks that could be causing the erosion, then making any necessary repairs.

Recommendation





## 10: PLUMBING

		IN	NI	NP	R
10.1	Main Water Shut-off	Χ			
10.2	Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems	Χ			Χ
10.3	Water Supply	Χ			Χ
10.4	Water Heater	Χ			
10.5	Gas Supply	Χ			
10.6	Fixtures	Χ			Χ
10.7	Sump Pump	Χ			

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### **Information**

**Filters Water Source Public** None

Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems: **Water Supply: Distribution** 

Material Material **PVC** Pex

**Water Heater: Power Water Heater: Capacity** 

Source/Type 50 gallons Gas

**Gas Supply: Main Gas Shut-off** 

Location

Gas Meter

Main Water Shut-off: Location

Basement, Utility

**Water Supply: Water Supply** 

Material Copper

**Water Heater: Location** Basement, Utility Room

#### Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems: Location of Cleanout

Exterior, Utility Room, Basement Family Room

The drain, waste, and vent system has a "cleanout" installed. This is a location where if the system were to need to be further inspected or serviced, you'll want to know where it is in order to direct any plumbers or other contractors. I recommend making a note of the location and keeping them accessible.

**Sump Pump: Location** 

**Basement** 







#### Water Heater: 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.

Maintenance / Monitor

Here is a nice maintenance guide from Lowe's to help.

#### Recommendations

10.6.1 Fixtures

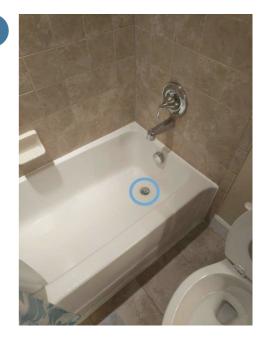
# TUB/SHOWER- DRAIN STOP NEEDS REPAIR

**BASEMENT BATHROOM** 

The tub/shower stopper was not working properly during the inspection. Once the tub was filled with water, the stopper did not prevent the water from draining. I recommend having the drain repaired in order to properly use the bathtub.

Recommendation

Contact a handyman or DIY project



10.6.2 Fixtures

#### **TUB/SHOWER FAUCET - SEAL**

**GUEST BATHROOM - MAIN LEVEL** 

The tub/shower faucet appears to be loose, which can allow water to get inside the wall. When the faucet is properly installed, a tight seal is created which prevents any water from getting into the wall cavity. I recommend having the faucet evaluated and repaired if necessary in order to prevent moisture intrusion.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.







## 11: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

		IN	NI	NP	R
11.1	Doors	Χ			Χ
11.2	Windows	Χ			Χ
11.3	Floors	Χ			Χ
11.4	Walls	Χ			
11.5	Ceilings	Χ			
11.6	Steps, Stairways & Railings	Χ			
11.7	Countertops & Cabinets	Χ			
11.8	Trim	Χ			

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## **Information**

**Windows: Window Type** 

Sliders

**Walls: Wall Material** 

Drywall

Windows: Window Manufacturer Floors: Floor Coverings

Maintenance / Monitor

Unknown Carpet, Tile, Laminate

**Ceilings: Ceiling Material** 

Drywall

Countertops & Cabinets: Countertop Material

Granite

Countertops & Cabinets:

Cabinetry

Wood

## **Recommendations**

11.1.1 Doors



SOUTHERN BASEMENT BEDROOM CLOSET

I found one or more interior doors that stickand are tough to open. This could be due to the expansion and contraction in the home and may fix itself when the seasons change again. I recommend monitoring and having repaired if necessary.

Here is a helpful DIY article on how to fix a sticking door.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



11.1.2 Doors



#### **DOESN'T LATCH / LOCK**

SOUTHEAST BASEMENT BEDROOM

There were one of more doors that didn't latch and/or lock properly. In order to gain the full the function and safety of the doors, I recommend having the doors repaired or replaced if necessary.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



11.2.1 Windows

### **CAULK MAINTENANCE**



I did find one or more windows in the home that need to be caulked around on the interior side. Caulking on the interior side is not only for cosmetic reasons but also to weatherize the window. I recommend using a flexible and paintable caulking.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project







11.3.1 Floors

### **TILE - DAMAGED TILE**



When inspecting the home's flooring, I found that one or more tiles in the home were damaged. I recommend having the damaged tiles replaced. In the utility room, there was a stack of extra tiles that APPEARED to be the same tile.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified flooring contractor





## 12: APPLIANCES

		IN	NI	NP	R
12.1	Dishwasher	Χ			
12.2	Refrigerator	Χ			
12.3	Range/Oven/Cooktop	Χ			Χ
12.4	Garbage Disposal	Χ			
12.5	Dryer	Χ			Χ
12.6	Washer	Χ			
12.7	Built-in Microwave	Χ			
12.8	Range Hood	Χ			

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## **Information**

**Dishwasher: Brand** 

GE

Range/Oven/Cooktop: **Range/Oven Energy Source** 

Gas

**Dryer: Manufacturer** 

GE

Washer: Manufacturer

Samsung

**Refrigerator: Brand** 

GE

Range/Oven/Cooktop: Range/Oven Brand

GE

**Dryer: Power Source** 

220V Electric

Refrigerator: Working at Time of

Inspection

Range/Oven/Cooktop: Exhaust

**Hood Type** Re-circulate

**Dryer: Vent Method** 

Un-observable

### **Dishwasher: Unable to Test Functionality**

I was unable to test the function of the dishwasher due to the occupant having their dishes inside during the inspection.



## Washer: Unable to Test Functionality - Clothing Inside

The current home owner had their belongings in the washed during the inspection so I was unable to test the washing machine. I recommend requesting that it be fully operational during your final walk through.



# 13: ROOF STRUCTURE AND ATTIC

		IN	NI	NP	R
13.1	Roof Structure & Attic	Χ			

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## **Information**

Roof Structure & Attic: Decking Roof Structure & Attic: Truss

Material Type

Inaccessible Inaccessible

## 14: INSULATION & VENTILATION

		IN	NI	NP	R
14.1	Crawlspace / Basement Wall Insulation	Χ			
14.2	Vapor Retarders (Crawlspace or Basement)	Χ			
14.3	Flooring Insulation	Χ			
14.4	Exterior / Interior Wall Insulation	Χ			
14.5	Attic Insulation	Χ			
14.6	Ventilation	Χ			
14.7	Exhaust Systems	Χ			Χ

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### **Information**

**Crawlspace / Basement Wall Insulation: Insulation Type** 

**Flooring Insulation: Insulation Type** 

Unobservable

Attic Insulation: Insulation Type Attic Insulation: R-Value

Blown

**Exterior / Interior Wall Insulation: Insulation Type** 

**Ventilation: Ventilation Type** 

Soffit Vents

**Exhaust Systems: Exhaust Fans** 

Fan Only

### Recommendations

14.7.1 Exhaust Systems

## **DRYER VENT NOT ATTACHED**



The dryer vent is connected to the back of the dryer but does not connect to the exhaust vent on the other side. It appears that the previous occupants are using the dryer to provide heat into the home. I recommend attaching to properly attaching the dryer vent to exhaust to the exterior in order to prevent moisture issues.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



## 15: LATERAL SEWER LINE

		IN	NI	NP	R
15.1	Sewer Scope	Χ			

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## **Information**

**Sewer Scope : Distance Scoped** 

**Sewer Scope : Locations** Clean-out Exterior, Sewer Entrance

**Sewer Scope : Pipe Material** 

PVC, SDR 35

**Sewer Scope: Overall Condition** 

Good

98 feet

**Sewer Scope: Summary** 

The condition of the lateral sewer line was good at the time of the inspection.











## 16: RADON TESTING

		IN	NI	NP	R
16.1	Test Results	Χ			

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## **Information**

Test Results: Location Te

**Basement Bedroom** 

**Test Results: Duration of Test** 48 Hrs

**Test Results: Average Radon** 

Level

1.5 pCi/l

**Test Results: Mitigation System** 

Not Present

Test Results: Summary Basement Bedroom

1.5 pci/L

The radon levels during the 48 hours were a 1.5 pci/L average. The EPA recommends that actions be taken when levels are above 3.9 pci/L. I recommend annual testing to ensure levels are below 3.9 pci/L.

## STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

#### **Roof Coverings and Drainage**

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.

#### **Exterior**

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the exterior wall-covering materials, flashing and trim; B. all exterior doors; C. adjacent walkways and driveways; D. stairs, steps, stoops, stairways and ramps; E. porches, patios, decks, balconies and carports; F. railings, guards and handrails; G. the eaves, soffits and fascia; H. a representative number of windows; and I. 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: A. the type of exterior wall-covering materials. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. any improper spacing between intermediate balusters, spindles and rails. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. inspect or operate screens, storm windows, shutters, awnings, fences, outbuildings, or exterior accent lighting. B. inspect items that are not visible or readily accessible from the ground, including window and door flashing. C. inspect or identify geological, geotechnical, hydrological or soil conditions. D. inspect recreational facilities or playground equipment. E. inspect seawalls, breakwalls or docks. F. inspect erosion-control or earth-stabilization measures. G. inspect for safety-type glass. H. inspect underground utilities. I. inspect swimming pools or spas. M. inspect wells or springs. K. inspect solar, wind or geothermal systems. L. inspect swimming pools or spas. M. inspect drainfields or dry wells. P. determine the integrity of multiple-pane window glazing or thermal window seals.

#### **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 carbonmonoxide 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 serviceentrance 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 branchcircuit 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 remotecontrol 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.

#### **Foundation and 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 fuelstorage 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.

#### **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.

#### **Appliances**

10.1 The inspector shall inspect: F. installed ovens, ranges, surface cooking appliances, microwave ovens, dishwashing machines, and food waste grinders by using normal operating controls to activate the primary function. 10.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: G. installed and free-standing kitchen and laundry appliances not listed in Section 10.1.F. H. appliance thermostats including their calibration, adequacy of heating elements, self cleaning oven cycles, indicator lights, door seals, timers, clocks, timed features, and other specialized features of the appliance. I. operate, or con rm the operation of every control and feature of an inspected appliance.

#### **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.