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HOME INSPECTION REPORT

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Report contains a Grouping of Major Concerns (RED), Moderate Concerns (ORANGE), and Minor Concerns (BLUE) noted that, in the inspector's professional opinion, need further evaluation, repair, or attention. The colors and classifications are done for illustrative purposes and convenience. All issues should be considered and evaluated equally.

A Major Concern (Material Defect) is a specific issue with a system or component of a residential property that may have a significant, adverse impact on the value of the property, or that poses an unreasonable risk (Unsafe) to people or property.

Concerns that inevitably lead to, or directly cause (if not addressed in a timely manner) adverse impact on the value of the home, or unreasonable risk (Unsafe) to people or property are considered Moderate Concerns or Minor Concerns. The fact that a system or component is near, at or beyond the end of its normal useful life is not, in itself, a material defect, but may be listed as a Major Concern because of associated cost.

Unsafe is defined as "A condition in a readily accessible, installed system or component that is judged to be a significant risk of bodily injury during normal, day-to-day use; the risk may be due to damage, deterioration, improper installation, or a change in accepted residential construction standards."

The Grouping is not intended to determine which items may need to be addressed per the contractual requirements of the sale of the property. All items of concern to you should be addressed as deemed necessary by you. Any areas of uncertainty regarding the contract should be clarified by consulting an attorney.

The complete report may include additional information of concern. It is recommended that you read the complete report. The entire Inspection Report, including the InterNACHI Standards of Practice, limitations and scope of Inspection, and Pre-Inspection Agreement must be carefully read to fully assess the findings of the inspection.

It is strongly recommended that you have appropriately licensed contractors evaluate each concern listed in the report further, along with the entire system, for additional concerns that may be outside our area of expertise or the scope of our inspection before the close of escrow. Please call us for any clarifications or further questions.

This report is the property of the client for whom it was prepared. Any unauthorized use or sharing of this report can leave the client vulnerable to liability. This report should only be shared as it pertains to the purchase contract of the client. Should the client choose not to buy this house the seller does not have the right to share or distribute this report. The disclosure form for the property should be updated appropriately and the report discarded.

CONCERN CATEGORIES:

MINOR CONCERN

Maintenance items, DIY items, or recommended upgrades will fall into this category. These concerns will ultimately lead to Moderate Concerns and Major Concerns if left neglected for extended periods of time. These Concerns may be more straightforward to remedy.

MODERATE CONCERN

Most items will fall into this category. Concerns that inevitably lead to, or directly cause (if not addressed in a timely manner) adverse impact on the value of the home, or unreasonable risk (Unsafe) to people or property. These concerns typically require further evaluation or may be more complicated to remedy.

MAJOR CONCERN

A specific issue with a system or component of a residential property that may have a significant, adverse impact on the value of the property, or that poses an unreasonable risk to people or property. These Concerns are often imminent or may be very difficult or expensive to remedy.

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1: INSPECTION DETAILS

Information

Type of Building

Single Family

Style

Italianate

Approximate Square Footage

1501 - 2500

Garage

None

Occupancy

Vacant

Weather Conditions

Recent Rain (Within 3 Days)

Temperature (approximate)

50 Fahrenheit (F)

Ground Conditions

Wet

Ancillary Services

Wood Destroying Insect Report

In Attendance

Client

Incomplete Construction: Missing Permits

There are no permits and inspections for the HVAC. There are no permits and inspections for new water heater. Building Combo may not be finalized. Contact the local building department for more information.

You are here: ezTrak Home Search Records list at 3407 Cardiff av, Cincinnati
ezTrak Search Results- Records List
View Permits, Projects and Other Records

The following records matched your request for the location at

3407 Cardiff av, Cincinnati

Please select a record from the following table to view more information. Selecting the Project/Case# Number from a row in the table will link you to detailed information.

Note: The table below lists records from Friday, January 01, 1999 only.

Record#	Type	Sub Type	Status	Applied On	Expiration	
08225029	Planning Permit	MS	Non-New Residential Purpose	C0560	02/01/2017	CNC
08225028	Inspection Bureau	2	Address Wiring	FINAL	12/10/2017	CNC
08225025	Building Combo		Repeat Re-inspection	08040	11/30/2017	CNC

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You are here: ezTrak Home Search Records list Record#: 2017P10674
ezTrak Record Details

Detailed Information for Project/Case#: 2017P10674 at 3407 Cardiff av, Cincinnati

Please select the relevant tab below to view more information.

Permit Issued - 11/30/2017 12:00:00 AM.

General Information Approvals Inspections

Inspections:

Items Approved: The following table lists Items Approved: along with the most current action taken on the Item. Items may be linked to a history of prior comments. This list of comments can be viewed by clicking on the Item link if present.

Item#	Date	Action	Comments
175-001-C of O Sign-off	3/13/2018	Approved	[14C] Final listed visible wiring.
02-02-000000-000000	3/13/2018	Approved	minor exposed framing, framing approved.
02-Framing Inspection	12/4/2017	Approved	minor exposed framing existing approved.
3-8881-INSPECTION	11/30/2017	Inspection Approval Set	

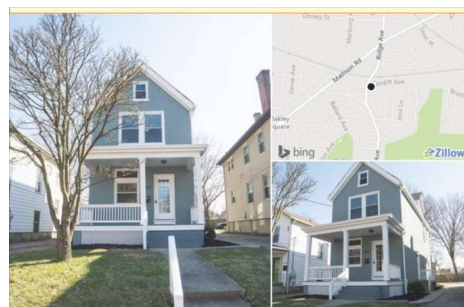
Additional Items:

Note: Some of the Additional Items listed below may not be applicable to this particular project and therefore may not require an Approval/Inspection. The requirement is determined by the department on a per permit basis for the project.

Please contact the Department to obtain more details

The following table lists additional items linked to this project.

Item#	Description
1881	000000 - Permit as required
3	General Info, Non-Inspection
000	Final Permit Inspection
900	Close Permit, Work Approved
000	Inspection Approval



3407 Cardiff Ave,
Cincinnati, OH 45209
4 beds · 2 baths · 1,668 sqft

PENDING
\$279,900
Price cut: -\$10,000 (4/9)
Zestimate: \$266,670

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Limitations

Limitations

PRESENT CONDITION

The condition of the premises may change after the date of inspection due to many factors such as weather, moisture, leaks, actions taken by the owner or others, or the passage of time. Seasonal changes such as wind-driven rain, ice, and humidity may bring some defects to light that were not noted during your home inspection. Basements and attics that were dry at the time of the inspection can be damp or leak in later weeks or months. This report reflects the condition of the premises at the time of the inspection.

Limitations

VISIBLE LIMITATIONS

The inspection is limited to visible and accessible components and areas only. Due to insurance restrictions, we are not permitted to operate any main shutoff valves (water or gas) or switch on any circuit breakers that may be shut off. We also can not move personal items, panels, furniture, equipment, plant life, soil, snow, ice or debris that obstructs access or visibility. We also cannot allow you, the buyer, to move any items or operate any shutoff valves or breakers in the home. No disassembly of equipment, opening of walls, moving of furniture, appliances or stored items, or excavation was performed. Some items or areas may not be inspected if they are blocked by furniture or stored items. Please note that we cannot make phone calls or wait for someone to arrive while on site regarding any items that have not been properly prepared. The property was inspected regardless of limitations or hindrances. All components and conditions which by the nature of their location are concealed, camouflaged or difficult to inspect are excluded from the report.

Limitations

"FLIPPED" HOUSE

When a home is "flipped" or a significant amount of work is done to a property that was obtained cheaply (typically abandoned or bank-owned) our inspection can be limited. Issues have likely been hidden or covered up. This can be intentional or unintentional and is simply the result of a large amount of construction work very recently. Evidence to larger issues such as wall cracks, stains, damage, etc that we use to ascertain that a larger problem exists has likely been covered up or removed for aesthetic purposes. We can not and will not be able to find all of the concerns that may exist in this home. For this reason we recommend the buyer proceed with caution. All recommendations in this report should be followed prior to purchasing the home.

[Click here to read our blog post](#) about this type of house.

2: ORIENTATION DETAILS

Information

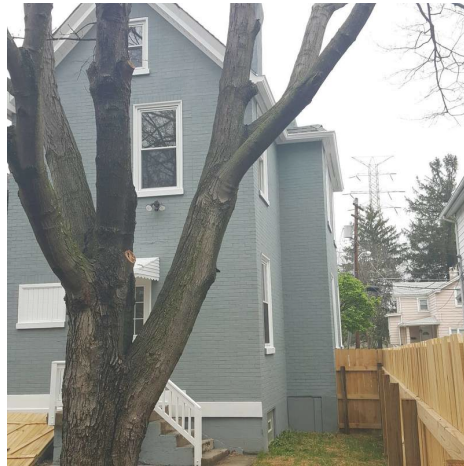
Included Photos

Your report includes many photographs. Some pictures are informational and of a general view, to help you understand where the inspector has been, what was looked at and the condition of the item or area at the time of the inspection. Some of the pictures may be of problem areas, these are to help you better understand what is documented in this report and to help you see areas or items that you normally would not see. Not all problem areas or conditions will be supported with photos. Inversely the included photos may not show all problem areas or conditions. A representative example of photos may be used.

Location References

For the purpose of this report all directions are given as if you are standing facing the front of the house. Items listed as Multiple Locations may not directly reference all effected locations. Examples may be given that should not be construed as the only affected areas. Further evaluation will need to take place to determine every effected location.

Elevation Images



3: EXTERIOR

Information

Siding / Trim Material

Aluminum, Wood, Brick Veneer

Walkway/Patio/Driveway

Material

None

Appurtenance Type(s)/Material

Wood, Porch

Site Topography

Flat

Walkways, Patios & Driveways: Shared Driveway

The driveway appears to be shared with a neighboring property. It is recommend that you fully understand the property division and maintenance division prior to purchasing the home.



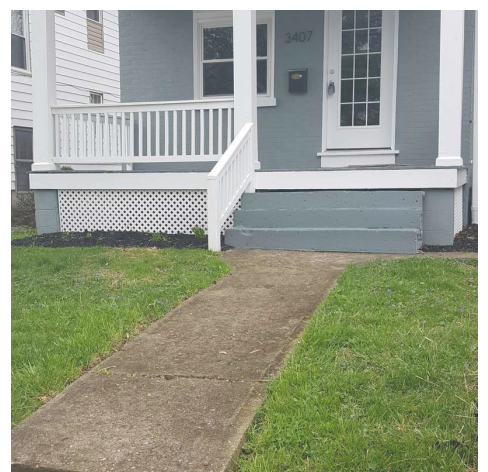
Property line

Limitations

Limitations

DECK - LOW ELEVATION

Low elevation of the deck prevented an inspection of the areas below the deck.



Concerns

3.2.1 Siding, Flashing & Trim

 Moderate Concern
CRACKING / CRUSHING OF FAUX BRICK

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

This home is constructed with a faux brick siding. The siding showed cracking and / or recent repairs in one or more areas. This is likely representative of damage to the internal wood frame structure. Cracking can be from structural movement, rusting lintels above windows, water intrusion, etc. Enough damage was visible at the interior that it should be assumed that there is also hidden damage because many areas where the siding is crushed or cracked was not visible from the exterior. Invasive inspection is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



3.2.2 Siding, Flashing & Trim

 Moderate Concern
IN CONTACT WITH GROUND

LEFT SIDE

Without proper air space the trim can rot. Materials behind the trim may also rot. This is also conducive conditions for wood destroying insects. Termite activity and damage was visible at the interior of this area. Recommend installing material appropriate for ground contact.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



3.4.1 Walkways, Patios & Driveways

 Moderate Concern
DRAINS TOWARDS THE HOUSE - CONCRETE

RIGHT SIDE

When a hard surface such as a driveway, sidewalk, or patio slopes toward the house it can direct a very large amount of water towards the foundation. Over time this water can cause foundation damage. Foundation repairs were noted in the adjacent area.

The concrete appears to be at the end of its life and removal/replacement is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified concrete contractor.



3.4.2 Walkways, Patios & Driveways

 Moderate Concern

TRIP HAZARD

FRONT RIGHT

Trip hazards observed. Patch or repair recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified concrete contractor.



3.5.1 Stairs, Steps, & Stoops

 Moderate Concern

RISERS ARE UNSAFE

FRONT

Riser heights that are more than 7 3/4 inches and vary by more than 3/8 inch can be a safety hazard. Repair is recommended.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



4: ROOF

Information

Inspection Method

Drone, Limitations

Roof Style

Gable

Roof Material(s)

Asphalt, Laminated

Gutter Material/Type

Aluminum, K Style

Roof Drainage Location

Below Grade

Coverings: Racking Method

Shingles installed with joints aligned vertically at every other course is called "racking". Racking is an improper installation method for many most laminated shingles. Possible issues are improper nailing, stress cracks, and incorrect color blends or an odd aesthetic appearance. No recommendation is made, but being aware of the installation method can be useful should problems develop. [Here is a technical bulletin](#) from a shingle manufacturer. [Here is a video](#) demonstrating the installation method.

Limitations

Limitations

BELOW GRADE DRAINAGE

Underground drains are beyond the scope of this inspection. In older homes these drains may tie directly into the sewer system of the home. It is recommended that all below ground drains be monitored for clogging or overflowing. Also be sure to note any foundation movement or cracks in the house near the underground drains. If any deficiency is noted with the drains or the house near the drains, remove the downspout from the underground pipe immediately and begin troubleshooting for blockage or damage. [Here is a good article further detailing underground drains.](#)

Limitations

INSPECTION METHOD - DRONE

A drone was used to photograph the roof and the top of the chimney. This does not constitute a full roof or chimney inspection, only an attempt to view the area for major defects that may be apparent from above. This was done because no access to these areas was possible otherwise. This should be considered a tool and not a replacement for walking the roof. It is strongly recommended that you have the roof and/chimney fully evaluated by a licensed and insured contractor to provide a thorough inspection.

Limitations

SHINGLES INSTALLED ON ROOF 2/12 - 4/12 PITCH

Shingles are not recommended on roofs with less than 4/12 pitch unless certain precautions are taken as directed by the manufacturer. Typically a double underlayment is required. We are not able to determine if the proper precautions were taken.

TECHNICAL ADVISORY BULLETIN **GAF** Quality You Can Trust... From North America's Largest Roofing Manufacturer™

To: GAF Residential Sales, GAF Contractors, GAF Field Services
 From: Technical Services Department
 Subject: **Shingle Application On Low Slopes 2:12 To 4:12**

Issued Date: 05/27/2011
 Revised Date: 06/17/2016
 No: TAB-R 2011-127

What Slope Is Considered "Low Slope" For Shingles?
 A roof slope of 2:12 up to but not including 4:12 is considered as "low" in residential construction.

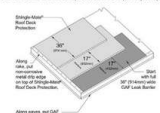
What Precautions Need To Be Taken To Install Shingles On "Low Slopes"?
 For low slopes, as well as any other slope, your local building department should be contacted. Be sure all applicable building code requirements are met.
 For slopes of 2" up to but not including 4" per foot, a double layer of roof deck protection is required. GAF recommends: Shingle-Mate®, RoofPro™, #15 or #30 felt, TigerPaw™ or Deck Armor™ Roof Deck Protection.

Why The Extra Steps?
 It's simple... lower slopes make it harder for a shingle roof to "shed" water and this extra protection makes sure that if water gets below the shingles, it doesn't result in a leak! Also, on lower slopes, wind driven rain water can be more of a concern... and again, the extra protection helps protect your building when weather threatens.

What GAF Shingles Can I Use For Low Slopes?
 Almost all GAF shingles can be installed on slopes as low as 2:12 provided that the shingle application instructions are followed as printed on the inside of the shingle bundle wrappers. Any slope limitations will be indicated in the instructions. GAF application instructions are also available online at: www.gaf.com

What NOT To Do!
 Do not reduce the exposure of the shingles to compensate for the low slope installation. Often, roofers may offer this as an option but this practice is not recommended.

The Specifics Of The Double Layer Of Roof Deck Protection:
 *Completely cover the deck with two layers of roof deck protection (achieve by using an overlap of two plies as detailed on the wrapper instructions). Use only enough nails to hold the roof deck protection in place until covered by shingles. At eaves, use GAF WeatherWatch® or StormGuard® Leak Barrier. Where ice dams are not expected, use 2 layers of Roof Deck Protection. See Figure 1.



Where Can I Get More Information?
 GAF Technical Services Can Assist You... with these and other questions you may have regarding your new roof installation. GAF Technical Services can be contacted at 800-800-4312 (800-366-3411). Also, the GAF website is a great resource for just about any question you may have or for additional information you may require. Please visit www.gaf.com to find the latest information on our products and their installation.
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Limitations

STEEP PITCH

The roof pitch was too steep to safely walk on. We used other methods to inspect the roof.

Limitations

THE ATTIC IS NOT ACCESSIBLE

One or more portions of the attic in this home does not have an access point or the access point was blocked. Inferences about the condition of the roof structure were made using only the inspection method for the roof.

Concerns

4.2.1 Coverings

IMPROPER/INCOMPLETE NAILING

Moderate Concern

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Roof coverings showed signs of improper installation and fastening. The shingles are not properly aligned and the seal strip is visible in multiple locations. Recommend a qualified roofing contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.2.2 Coverings

REPAIRED

Moderate Concern

LEFT FRONT

A portion of the roof has recently been repaired. Inquire with the seller as to the history of these repairs. This is typically a sign that the roof is nearing the end of its life and replacement should be budgeted for.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.2.3 Coverings

TOO FLAT FOR SHINGLES

LEFT SIDE AND FRONT

 Major Concern

The roof is less than 2/12 pitch. Shingle manufacturers do not have provisions for installations below 2/12 pitch. Recommend removing the shingles and installing an appropriate roof covering.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.2.4 Coverings

IMPROPER INSTALLATION

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

 Major Concern

It appears the shingles line up in more than one area or have been lapped incorrectly. Recommend a full evaluation of the roof installation by a qualified roofing professional.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.3.1 Flashings

 Moderate Concern

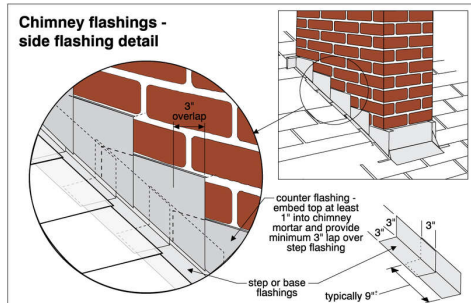
COUNTER FLASHING IS MISSING OR DAMAGED - BRICK

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Counter flashing is designed to keep water from going behind the step flashing. Have a qualified roofing contractor install counter flashing that is let into the mortar.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.3.2 Flashings

 Moderate Concern

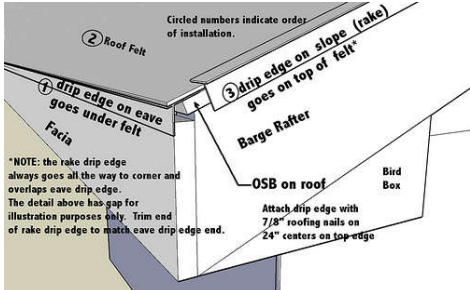
DRIP EDGE FLASHING IS MISSING

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Drip edge flashing protects the edges of the sheathing and prevents water from running behind the gutters. Have reviewed by a qualified roofing contractor to install drip edge flashing as required by local or state building codes.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.4.1 Chimneys

CHIMNEY SPARK ARRESTOR / WEATHER CAP MISSING

BOTH LOCATIONS

A spark arrestor / weather cap can keep rain and animals out of the flue and can greatly prolong the life of the chimney. Recommend adding a spark arrestor / weather cap.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified chimney contractor.

 Minor Concern


4.4.2 Chimneys

UNLINED CHIMNEY

WATER HEATER CHIMNEY

Chimney was unlined, which can deteriorate the chimney structure and allow harmful gasses to enter home. Recommend a qualified masonry or chimney contractor install a liner.

NOTE: This condition can simulate a persistent roof leak at the interior of the home. The condensation of the gases and water entering from the top can make its way into the home. If a persistent leak is noted in the area adjacent to the chimney this condition should be remedied first, and then further evaluation made to determine if the leak continues.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified chimney contractor.

 Major Concern


4.4.3 Chimneys

DAMAGED - CROWN AND BRICK

BOTH LOCATIONS

A damaged crown allows water to enter into the brick chase. Over time the water erodes away the mortar and damages the chase. Once this happens some rebuilding may be necessary. It is also recommended to have the interior flue evaluated by a certified chimney sweep. The chimney is likely unsafe to use in its current condition.

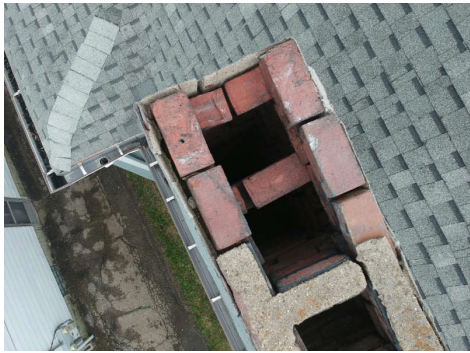
[CSIA - Chimney Safety Institute of America](#) has a wealth of resources.

Have a certified chimney sweep make a full evaluation and repair as necessary.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified chimney contractor.

 Moderate Concern



5: ATTIC, INSULATION & VENTILATION

Information

Inspection Method

Not Inspected, Limitations

Attic Entry Type/Location

No Access

Roof Structure Material/Type

Unknown

Insulation Type

Unknown

Limitations

Limitations

SOME ATTIC AREAS ARE NOT ACCESSIBLE

The home has multiple attic spaces or areas. Some of the attic spaces do not have an access point or the access point was blocked.

Limitations

INSULATION R-VALUE

Any estimates of insulation R values or depths are rough average values. Insulation/ventilation type and levels in concealed areas, like exterior walls, are not inspected. Insulation and vapor barriers are not disturbed and no destructive tests (such as cutting openings in walls to look for insulation) are performed.

Concerns

5.4.1 Ventilation

 Moderate Concern

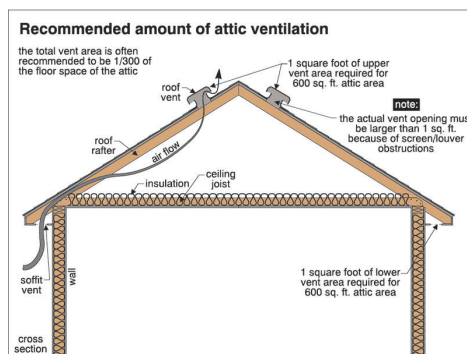
ATTIC VENTILATION MAY BE INADEQUATE

There is no visible attic ventilation. Inadequate ventilation can lead to reduced roof covering life. Without proper venting, moisture can build up in the attic, potentially causing mold growth. The excessive heat may also damage roof decking and roof shingles as well as cause cooling equipment to work harder.

Generally one square foot of free vent is required for every 300 square feet of floor area. This is typically accomplished through a balanced combination of soffit and ridge / roof vents. Cooler air enters through soffit vents and warmer air exits through ridge or roof vents. In situations where soffit vents are not possible, a power vent with a humidistat may also be used.

Recommend a qualified professional evaluate and modify / add ventilation as necessary

[Here is more information](#) about proper attic ventilation.



Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.

5.6.1 Dryer Connections

 Moderate Concern

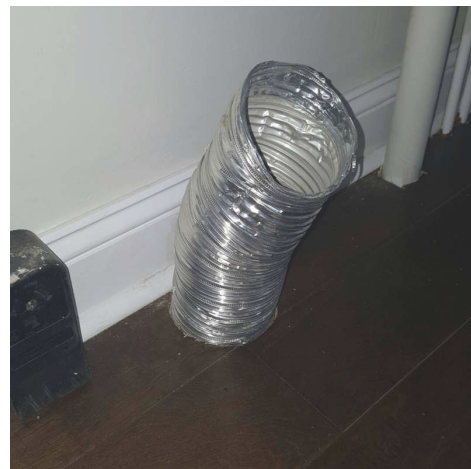
DRYER VENT IS NOT HARD PIPED

LAUNDRY AREA

Flex pipe should be minimized to a few feet in length and should be UL listed. Flex pipe should not be installed outside of the room the dryer is installed. Install smooth wall 4 inch pipe at all sections of the dryer vent from the wall of the laundry room to the exterior.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.



5.8.1 Exhaust Systems

 Moderate Concern

NO EXHAUST FAN INSTALLED

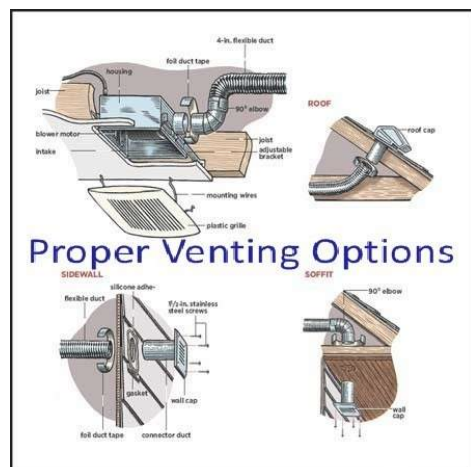
BOTH BATHROOM LOCATIONS

Humidity buildup can be very inefficient on your cooling system and can lead to mold or other damage over time. All bathrooms are recommended to have exhaust fans to expel humidity to the exterior of the home.

Recommend a qualified contractor install a bath fan that exhausts to the exterior of the home.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



6: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

Information

Floor Covering Material(s)

Carpet, Hardwood

Wall Material

Drywall, Plaster

Ceiling Material

Drywall, Plaster

Window Material

Vinyl

Window Type

Double-hung

Window Manufactured Date / Estimated Age

10 - 15

Window Manufacturer

Unknown

Dryer Power Source

220 Electric

Range/Oven Fuel Source

Gas

Concerns

6.2.1 Windows

 Moderate Concern

FAILED SEAL

2ND BEDROOM

Observed condensation between the window panes, which indicates a failed seal. Replacement or repair will depend greatly on the window type/brand/style.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified window repair/installation contractor.



6.2.2 Windows

 Major Concern

UNSAFE MODIFICATION

1ST FLOOR BATHROOM

A mirror has been installed / attached to the window pane. This is not a safe installation as the mirror will likely come loose and fall out after some time. The window would have to be used since there is no exhaust fan installed in the room. Recommend removing this mirror.

Recommendation

Contact a handyman or DIY project



6.6.1 Ceilings

 Major Concern

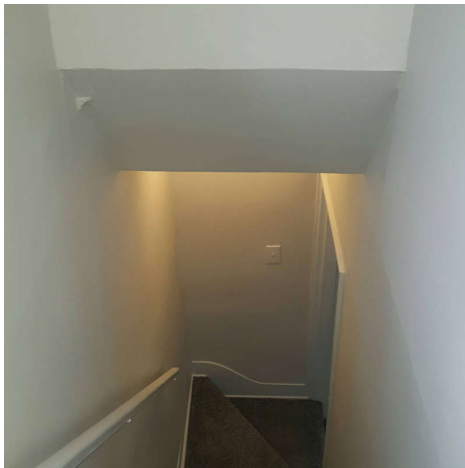
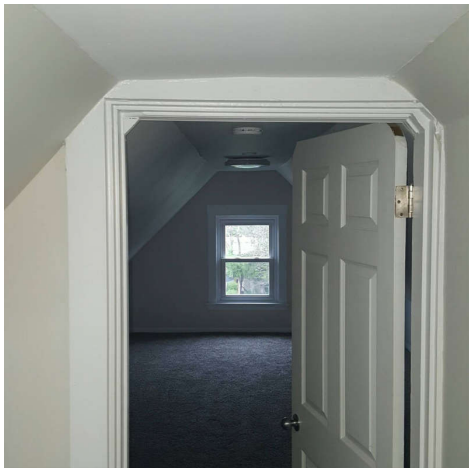
INSUFFICIENT HEIGHT FOR LIVING SPACE

3RD FLOOR

Typically at least 50 percent of the floor area of the room is recommended to have a ceiling height of at least 7 feet.

The room may not be considered living space and may not be attributable to the square footage of the property or safely used for regular habitation. **The MLS listing shows this as a bedroom. For safety reasons the area should not be used as a bedroom or sleeping room. A life safety hazard exists should a fire start and a person is occupying this room. Recommend not using the area as sleeping space.** Inquire with the local building department and county auditor to determine the exact requirements for space attributable to living space square footage.

[Here is an article](#) discussing safe ceiling heights.



6'3

6.7.1 Steps, Stairways & Railings

 Moderate Concern

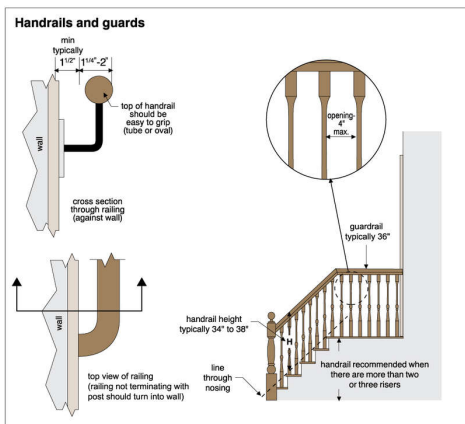
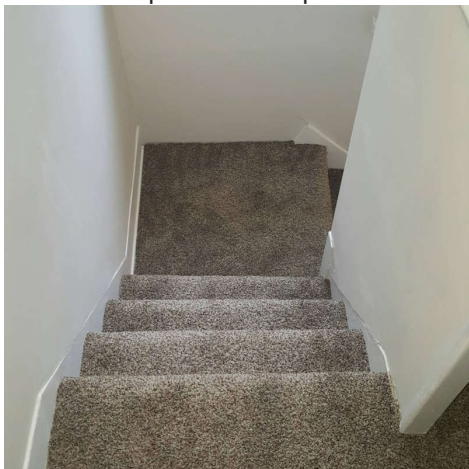
NO HANDRAIL

3RD FLOOR

Staircase is missing a complete handrail. This is a safety hazard. Recommend a qualified contractor install a handrail.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified carpenter.



6.9.1 Range/Oven/Cooktop

 Moderate Concern


ANTI-TIP DEVICE NOT INSTALLED

KITCHEN

Range was not fastened to the floor. This poses a safety hazard to children. Secure the range so it can't tip.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.

⚠ WARNING

Tip Over Hazard
A child or adult can tip the range and be killed. Install anti-tip bracket to floor or wall per installation instructions.
Slide range back so rear range foot is engaged in the slot of the anti-tip bracket.
Re-engage anti-tip bracket if range is moved.
Do not operate range without anti-tip bracket installed and engaged.
Failure to follow these instructions can result in death or serious burns to children and adults.

7: FOUNDATION & STRUCTURE

Information

Foundation Type

Basement, Crawlspace, Combination

Inspection Method

Fully Accessible, Limitations

Basement/Crawlspace Access

Location

Interior Stairs, Interior Hatch

Foundation Material

Concrete

Floor Structure Material

Nominal Lumber

Sub-floor Material

Plank

Structural Beam Material

None

Structural Column Material

Concrete

Basement/Crawlspace Floor

Concrete, Dirt

Limitations

Limitations

INSULATION

CRAWLSPACE

Most of the walls were covered with insulation which prevented a full inspection.

Limitations

INSULATION IN JOISTS

CRAWLSPACE

Most of the floor joists were covered or filled with insulation. This significantly reduces the visible area of the floor structure.

Limitations

BRICK INSTALLED IN BOX SILLS

BASEMENT MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Brick has been installed in the box sills preventing viewing.

Concerns

7.2.1 Foundation

FOUNDATION CRACKS - PREVIOUS REPAIRS

RIGHT SIDE

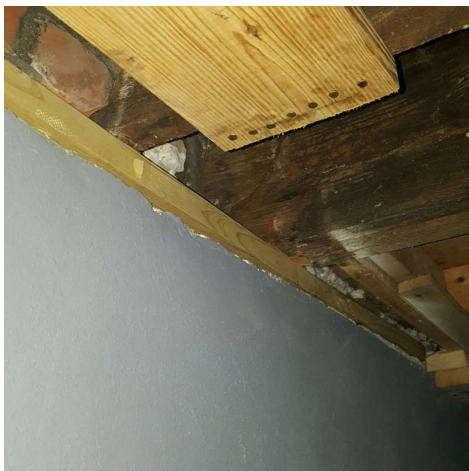


The foundation has been repaired in one or more areas. Typically bolts are installed at the wood attached to the joist, the wood spans several floor joists, the gap between the beam and the foundation is filled with non-shrink grout, the beams are typically spaced no more than 5 feet apart.

Recommend obtaining documentation regarding the repair from the seller. Most foundation repairs come with some type of transferable warranty. If there is no transferable warranty you may wish to have the foundation evaluated by a structural engineer.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified structural engineer.



7.2.2 Foundation

WATER INTRUSION

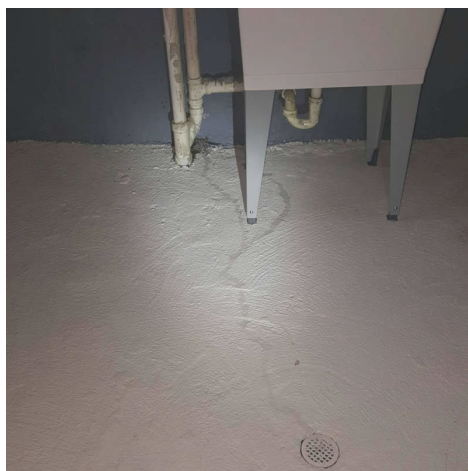
REAR

Water intrusion was evident on the surface of the floor slab and running down the wall in the basement. This can compromise the foundations ability to stabilize the structure and could cause damage. The source of the moisture should be identified and corrected. Make all necessary grading, drainage, and gutter repairs. Recommend further evaluation by a basement waterproofing contractor to repair as necessary.

Recommendation

Contact a foundation contractor.

 Major Concern



7.4.1 Floor Structure

 Major Concern

JOISTS, WALL STUDS AND SILL PLATES NEED REPAIRS

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

One or more floor joists were damaged or improperly repaired. Termite damage and water damage was noted in multiple locations to the floor joists, wall studs, and the sill plates. This can cause damage to the structural integrity of the home. A large portion of the framing was not visible. It is recommended that access be made to view all of the framing from the basement. Recommend a qualified structural engineer evaluate and advise on how to correct. A qualified contractor should implement the correction and the engineer should return to verify the repair was properly performed. Corrections to sill plates in balloon frame construction can be difficult to achieve.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified structural engineer.





8: HEATING

Information

Equipment Location

Basement

Thermostat Location

Living Room

Heat Type

Forced Air

Energy Source / Brand

Gas, Goodman

Venting Material / Type

PVC, Side Wall

Distribution System

Non-insulated, Ductwork

Equipment Model

GMSS960603BN

Equipment Serial

1801454105

Year of Manufacture

2018

- *The average lifespan of a furnace is 16 - 20 years.*

Filter Size

16 x 20 x 1

AFUE Rating

90+

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.

Heating Equipment: Equipment Image



Concerns

8.2.1 Heating Equipment

FILTER DOOR NOT SECURED



Minor Concern

Without a secure filter door dirt can be drawn into the system. This can also create inefficient return flow. We recommend Allergy Zone covers that can be purchased [BY CLICKING HERE](#).



8.4.1 Distribution Systems

 Moderate Concern

DISCONNECTED

BASEMENT

Ductwork was disconnected in one or more areas. This can create inefficiency.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.



8.5.1 Vents, Flues & Chimneys

 Moderate Concern

FLUE IMPROPERLY INSTALLED

EXTERIOR RIGHT

Exhaust flue was improperly installed. The vent terminates within 4 feet of the door. Recommend a qualified HVAC contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.



9: COOLING

Information

Equipment Location

Exterior Right

Brand / Type

Goodman

Size

2 Tons

Equipment Model

GSC130241DA

Equipment Serial

0904034485

Year of Manufacture

2009

- *The average lifespan of an AC system is 12 - 15 years.*

Cooling Equipment: Equipment Image

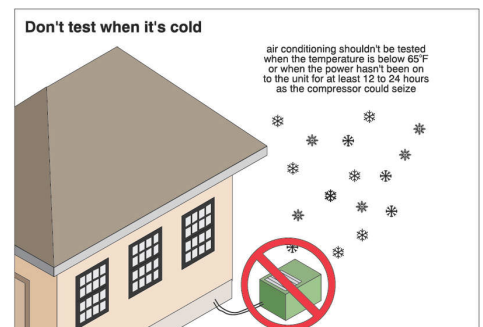


Limitations

Limitations

LOW TEMPERATURE

The A/C unit was not tested due to low outdoor temperature. This may cause damage to the unit. This limitation affects all other items marked NI (Not Inspected) in this section.



Concerns

9.2.1 Cooling Equipment

NEEDS SERVICING / CLEANING



Central air systems should be cleaned and serviced annually. Ask the property owners when the furnace was last serviced. If it was more than a year ago, recommend a licensed HVAC contractor clean and service the cooling system. Follow all repair recommendations made at the time of servicing

[Here is a resource](#) on how to take care of your air conditioning unit.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.

10: HEATING 2

Information

Equipment Location

Closet, 2nd Floor

Thermostat Location

Bedroom

Heat Type

Forced Air

Energy Source / Brand

Gas, Goodman

Venting Material / Type

PVC, Side Wall

Distribution System

Non-insulated, Ductwork

Equipment Model

GMPN060-3

Equipment Serial

9505804859

Year of Manufacture

1995

- *The average lifespan of a furnace is 16 - 20 years.*

Filter Size

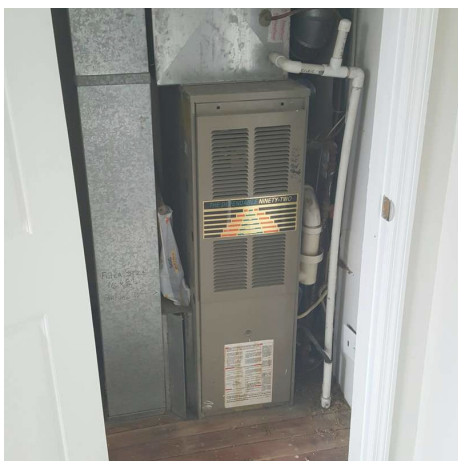
16 x 25 x 1

AFUE Rating

90+

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.

Heating Equipment: Equipment Image



Concerns

10.2.1 Heating Equipment

BEYOND IT'S EXPECTED USEFUL LIFE

2ND FLOOR

The life expectancy of a gas-fired furnace is ~18 - 20 years. Old furnaces may be inefficient and have a high probability of failure in the near future.

Have a licensed HVAC technician fully evaluate the system. Discuss pros/cons to replacement at this time. If replacement is not elected at this time, budget for replacement in the near future.

[Here are some questions](#) to help determine if replacement is a good option at this time.



Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.

10.2.2 Heating Equipment

 Minor Concern

NEEDS SERVICING/CLEANING

Furnace should be cleaned and serviced annually. Ask the property owners when the furnace was last serviced. If it was more than a year ago, recommend a licensed HVAC contractor clean and service the heating system. Follow all repair recommendations made at the time of servicing.

[Here is a resource](#) on the importance of furnace maintenance.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.

10.5.1 Vents, Flues & Chimneys

 Moderate Concern

FLUE IMPROPERLY INSTALLED

EXTERIOR LEFT SIDE

Exhaust flue was improperly installed. The flue discharges directly towards the soffit vents. Recommend a qualified HVAC contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.



11: COOLING 2

Information

Equipment Location

Exterior Right

Brand / Type

Ameristar

Size

2.5 Tons

Equipment Model

M4AC3030B1000NA

Equipment Serial

161750144M

Year of Manufacture

2017

- *The average lifespan of an AC system is 12 - 15 years.*

Cooling Equipment: Equipment Image

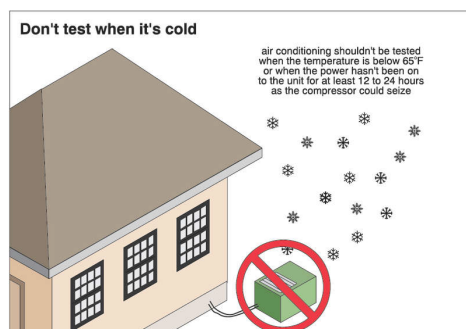


Limitations

Limitations

LOW TEMPERATURE

The A/C unit was not tested due to low outdoor temperature. This may cause damage to the unit. This limitation affects all other items marked NI (Not Inspected) in this section.



12: PLUMBING

Information

Water Source

Public

Sewer System

Public

Water Supply Material

Copper

Water Distribution Material

Copper

Drain, Waste, & Vent Material

PVC

Fuel / Gas Source

Natural Gas

Fuel / Gas Shut-off Location

Gas Meter, Exterior

Water Heater Energy Source / Brand

Natural Gas, AO Smith

Water Heater Location

Basement

Water Heater Capacity

40 gallons

Water Heater Model

G6-T4034NV 400

Water Heater Serial

1812109705436

Water Heater Year of Manufacture

2018

Water Shut-off Location

Basement

- *The average lifespan of a water heater is 8 to 12 years.*

Water Supply Systems: Maintenance Recommendations

WATER HEATER: 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.](#)

HOSE FAUCETS: Remember to shut your faucet off annually.

[Here is a quick article to ensure you're hose faucets are ready for winter.](#)

Water Heating Appliance: Equipment Image



Limitations

Limitations

SEWER CAMERA EVALUATION

Underground utilities are not visible during a standard home inspection, and are therefore specifically excluded from the scope of this report. Waste lines are susceptible to a variety of problems, including blockage and collapse. Tree roots may infiltrate the interior of waste lines, acting as a source of blockage in all pipe and material types. Older drain pipes, which include [Orangeburg Pipe](#) and clay tile (pipe) are commonly known to suffer problems like sudden failure, blockage or collapse. Cast Iron pipe can deteriorate from the inside out. For this reason, the Inspector suggests you consider getting a video scan of the sanitary drain line prior to closing.

Limitations

DRAIN / WASTE / VENT PLUMBING - NOT VISIBLE

Areas of the DWV system was not visible or not accessible because the pipes were concealed.

Limitations

SUPPLY PLUMBING - NOT VISIBLE

Areas of the supply plumbing in the home are located inside of walls or floors and was not visible at the time of inspection.

Limitations

SHOWER WAS NOT ABLE TO BE OPERATED WITHOUT GETTING WET

2ND FLOOR BATHROOM

Concerns

12.2.1 Dishwasher

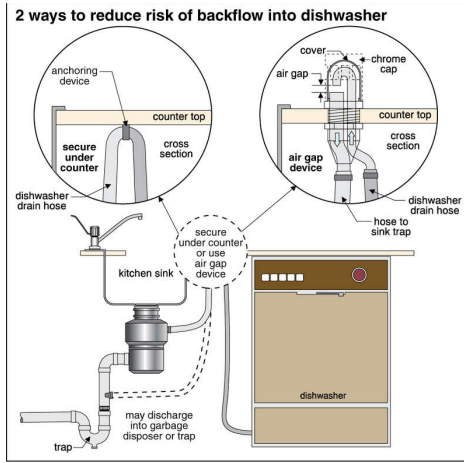
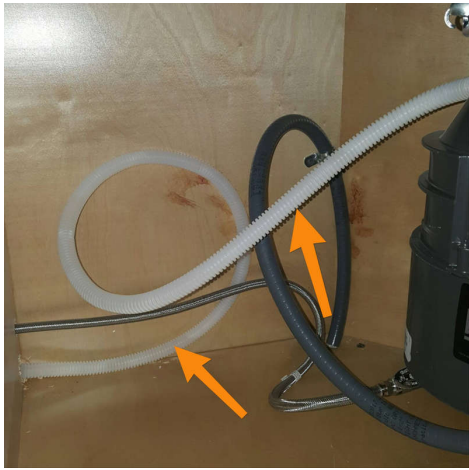
**IMPROPERLY INSTALLED DRAIN PIPE**

KITCHEN

Dishwasher drain pipe was installed improperly. Without a high drain line loop or air gap, risk of a potential back-flow of water in to the dishwasher and incomplete drainage of water is increased. Manufacturers instructions typically require the line loop up to a point 32 inches from the floor. Some local codes require air gaps to be installed.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.



12.9.1 Sinks

DRAIN STOPPER IS NOT WORKING

1ST FLOOR BATHROOM

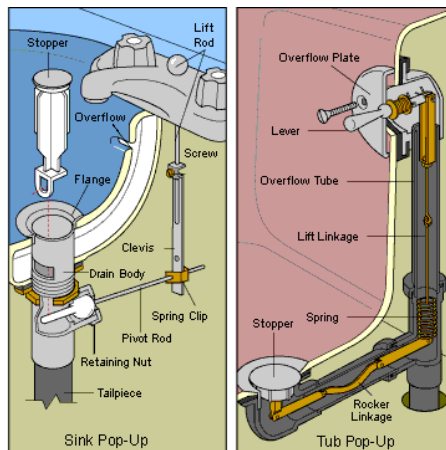
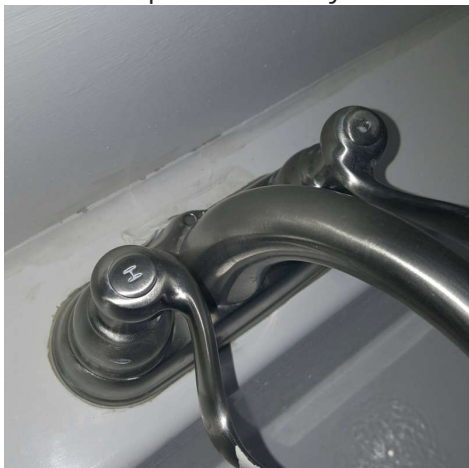
Recommend repairing the drain stop.

 Minor Concern

[Here is an article](#) explaining how a drain stopper can be repaired.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



12.9.2 Sinks

LEAKING DRAIN

BATHROOM

The drain lines should be attempted to be tightened. If tightening does not work, have a licensed plumbing contractor repair or replace as necessary.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.

 Major Concern



12.9.3 Sinks

SEAL IS MISSING BETWEEN SINK AND COUNTER

KITCHEN

Without a proper seal food and bacteria can build up in the area. This can also reduce the attachment strength to the counter.

Recommend cleaning and sealing the area.

Recommendation

Contact a handyman or DIY project



Minor Concern



12.10.1 Shower/Tub

SHOWER SPRAY CAN NOT BE CONTAINED

2ND FLOOR BATHROOM

The shower is installed in a manner that renders it non-functional. The water can not be turned on with the door open without fully spraying water onto the floor. This means a person must enter the shower, close the door, then turn the water on. Recommend relocating the shower head.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.



Major Concern



12.11.1 Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems

DRAIN PAN MISSING

LAUNDRY AREA

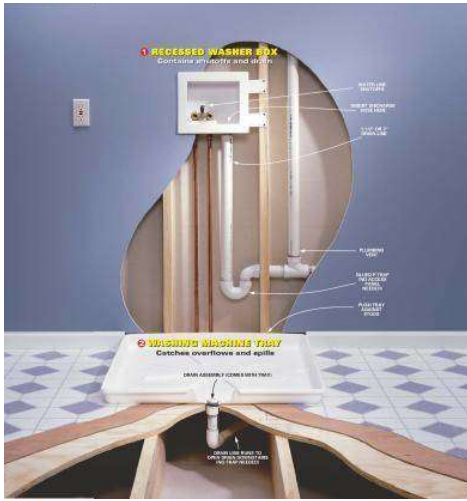
A drain pan should be installed for the washing machine when the machine is to be installed in a location where flooding can cause damage.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



Moderate Concern



13: ELECTRICAL

Information

Service Conductors

Overhead, 120V, 240V

Main Panel Location

Basement

Panel Capacity

100 AMP

Panel Manufacturer

Square D

Panel Type

Circuit Breaker

Wiring Method

Copper, Romex

Main Service Panel: Equipment Image**Smoke Detectors: Recommended Placement**

Smoke detectors have a lifespan of 10 years and should be replaced after they reach that age. Smoke alarms are required in each bedroom, outside each sleeping area (hallway) and each additional story (including basement).

[Here is some useful information](#) regarding smoke alarms.

Limitations

Limitations

FURNITURE BLOCKS TESTING

Furniture or stored items prevents testing at some switches and receptacles.

Concerns

13.3.1 Main Service Panel

MISSING LABELS ON PANEL Moderate Concern

At the time of inspection, panel was missing labeling. Recommend a qualified electrician or person identify and map out locations.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



13.5.1 Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles

Moderate Concern

UNGROUND RECEPTACLE

3RD FLOOR

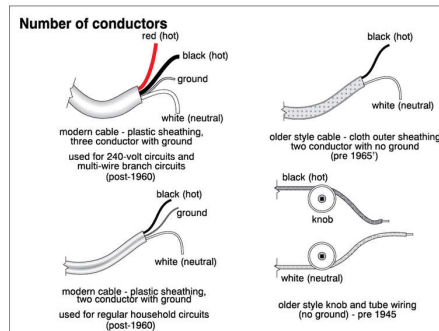
One or more receptacles are ungrounded. To eliminate safety hazards, all 3-prong receptacles should be grounded. Where grounding is not possible (No ground wire present) a 2-prong receptacle or GFCI protected receptacles can be installed.

NOTE: GFCI protection of an ungrounded 3-prong outlet will not protect electronics. A physical grounding system is required to protect electronics or allow surge protectors to function properly. We recommend at least one physically grounded outlet in each room to protect electronics.

Have a licensed electrical contractor make further evaluation and repair as necessary for the safest operation.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



13.6.1 GFCI & AFCI

Moderate Concern

NO GFCI PROTECTION INSTALLED

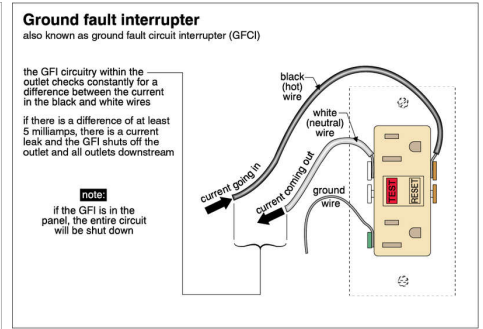
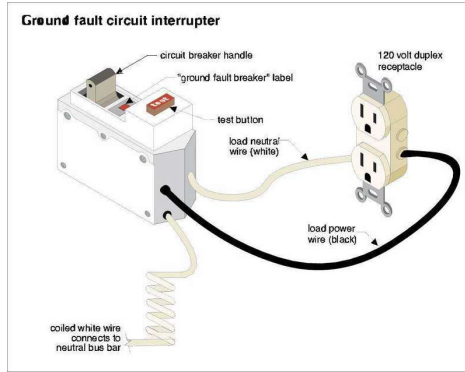
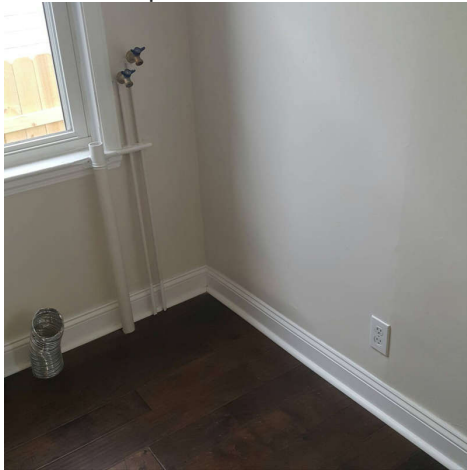
LAUNDRY AREA

No GFCI protection present in recommended locations. Typical recommended locations are: Bathrooms, garages and accessory buildings, exterior locations, unfinished basements, crawlspaces, kitchens, laundry areas, utility areas, bar areas, and pool/spa areas. Recommend licensed electrician upgrade by installing ground fault receptacles in recommended locations.

[Here is a link](#) to read about how GFCI receptacles keep you safe. [Here is a link](#) to read more about recommended locations.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

Inspection Details

The presence or evidence of the following environmental hazards shall not be addressed in the report: (1) Air-borne hazards; (2) The air quality or the sickness of any building, including, but not limited to, the presence of absence of all manner of biological activity, such as hazardous plants, insects, birds, pets, mammals, and other flora and fauna, and their consequent physical damage, toxicity, noxiousness, odors, waste products, and wood destroying animals and fungi; (3) Animals, insects, or rodents; (4) Asbestos; (5) Carcinogens, including but not limited to radon; (6) Contaminants in soil, water, and air; (7) Electro-magnetic fields; (8) Hazardous materials including, but not limited to, the presence of lead in paint; (9) Hazardous waste conditions; (10) Mold, mildew, or fungus; (11) Hazardous plants or animals including, but not limited to wood destroying organisms, wood destroying insects, or diseases harmful to humans including molds or mold-like substances; (12) Noise; (13) Potability of any water; (14) Toxins; (15) Urea formaldehyde; (16) The effectiveness of any system installed or method utilized to control or remove suspected environmental hazards; and (17) Compliance with regulatory requirements (codes, regulations, laws, ordinances, etc.), any manufacturer's recalls, conformance with manufacturer installation or instructions, or any information for consumer protection purposes. (32 Ky.R. 2403; 33 Ky.R. 780; eff. 10-6-2006; 41 Ky.R. 626; 1374; 1554; eff. 2-6-2015.)

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 underground items. J. inspect wells or springs. K. inspect solar, wind or geothermal systems. L. inspect swimming pools or spas. M. inspect wastewater treatment systems, septic systems or cesspools. N. inspect irrigation or sprinkler systems. O. inspect drainfields or dry wells. P. determine the integrity of multiple-pane window glazing or thermal window seals.

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.

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.

Foundation & 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.

Heating 2

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 2

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 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 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.