



# GUARDIAN HOME INSPECTIONS

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# SUMMARY

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ITEMS INSPECTED



RECOMMENDATIONS

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- ⊖ 2.1.1 Roof - Coverings: Exposed Nails
  - ⊖ 3.3.1 Exterior - Walkways, Patios & Driveways: Driveway Cracking - Minor
  - ⊖ 3.6.1 Exterior - Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls: Slight negative grading
  - ⊖ 6.1.1 Cooling - Cooling Equipment: Insulation Missing or Damaged
  - ⊖ 10.4.1 Doors, Windows & Interior - Walls: Settling Cracks
  - ⊖ 11.2.1 Built-in Appliances - Refrigerator: Frost Build-Up

# 1: INSPECTION DETAILS

## Information

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**In Attendance**

Client, Client's Agent

**Occupancy**

Furnished, Occupied

**Style**

Bi-level

**Temperature (approximate)**

60 Fahrenheit (F)

**Type of Building**

Single Family

**Weather Conditions**

Light Rain, Cloudy

# 2: ROOF

		IN	NI	NP	R
2.1	Coverings	X			
2.2	Roof Drainage Systems	X			
2.3	Flashings	X			
2.4	Skylights, Chimneys & Other Roof Penetrations	X			

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## Information

### Inspection Method

Roof

### Roof Type/Style

Gable

### Coverings: Material

Fiberglass

### Roof Drainage Systems: Gutter Material

Seamless Aluminum

### Flashings: Material

Aluminum

## Recommendations

### 2.1.1 Coverings

#### EXPOSED NAILS

 Recommendations

One or more exposed nails were observed. Recommend applying appropriate roofing sealant over nail heads.

#### Recommendation

#### Recommended DIY Project



### 3: EXTERIOR

		IN	NI	NP	R
3.1	Siding, Flashing & Trim	X			
3.2	Exterior Doors	X			
3.3	Walkways, Patios & Driveways	X			
3.4	Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps	X			
3.5	Eaves, Soffits & Fascia	X			
3.6	Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls	X			
3.7	Sprinkler System		X		

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#### Information

**Inspection Method**

Visual

**Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding Material**

Vinyl

**Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding Style**

Dutch Lap

**Exterior Doors: Exterior Entry Door**

Steel

**Exterior Doors: Exterior Garage Service Door**

Metel

**Exterior Doors: Exterior Patio Door**

Sliding

**Walkways, Patios & Driveways: Driveway Material**

Concrete

**Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps: Appurtenance**

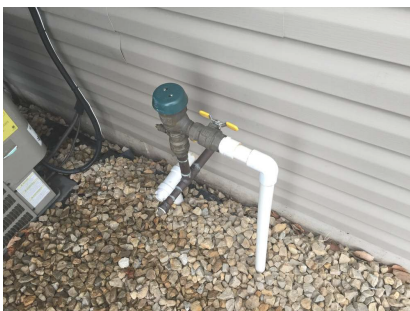
Deck with Steps, Balcony

**Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps: Material**

Composite

**Sprinkler System: Get information/manual for sprinkler system**

North



#### Limitations

Sprinkler System

### **SPRINKLER HEADS NOT PRESENT**

Check with Seller regarding sprinkler system.

## Recommendations

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3.3.1 Walkways, Patios & Driveways

 Recommendations

### **DRIVEWAY CRACKING - MINOR**

Minor cosmetic cracks observed, which may indicate movement in the soil. Recommend monitor and/or have concrete contractor patch/seal. (Standard settling cracks which are very common in this part of the country). The small cracks on the southeast corner of garage could be caulked with appropriate sealer to help alleviate any further damage. The other hair line cracks are too small at this time to worry about.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project

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3.6.1 Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls

 Recommendations

### **SLIGHT NEGATIVE GRADING**

Normal ground settling around exterior foundation. Recommend monitoring, and or, pull landscaping rock back, add dirt and move rocks back.

## 4: BASEMENT, FOUNDATION, CRAWLSPACE & STRUCTURE

		IN	NI	NP	R
4.1	Foundation	X			
4.2	Basements & Crawlspace	X			
4.3	Floor Structure	X			
4.4	Wall Structure	X			
4.5	Ceiling Structure	X			

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### Information

#### Inspection Method

Visual

#### Foundation: Material

Concrete

#### Floor Structure: Material

Concrete

#### Floor Structure: Sub-floor

Inaccessible

#### Floor Structure:

#### Basement/Crawlspace Floor

Concrete

### Limitations

Foundation

#### **MAJORITY OF LOWER LEVEL FINISHED**

No view or limited view of foundation due to the amount of finishing

Floor Structure

#### **CARPET/VINYL COVERING MAJORITY OF FLOOR**

Wall Structure

#### **MAJORITY OF BASEMENT FINISHED**

Only able to see part of foundation walls in utility room, due to fully finished lower level.



# 5: HEATING

		IN	NI	NP	R
5.1	Equipment	X			
5.2	Normal Operating Controls	X			
5.3	Distribution Systems	X			
5.4	Vents, Flues & Chimneys	X			
5.5	Presence of Installed Heat Source in Each Room	X			

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## Information

**Equipment: Brand**

Goodman

**Equipment: Energy Source**

Natural Gas

**Equipment: Heat Type**

Forced Air



Gas Shut Off for furnace Right side off furnace

**Distribution Systems: Ductwork**

Insulated

**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.

## Limitations

Distribution Systems

**FINISHED BASEMENT**

Unable to see distribution ductwork due to basement being fully finished.

# 6: COOLING

		IN	NI	NP	R
6.1	Cooling Equipment	X			
6.2	Normal Operating Controls	X			
6.3	Distribution System	X			
6.4	Presence of Installed Cooling Source in Each Room	X			

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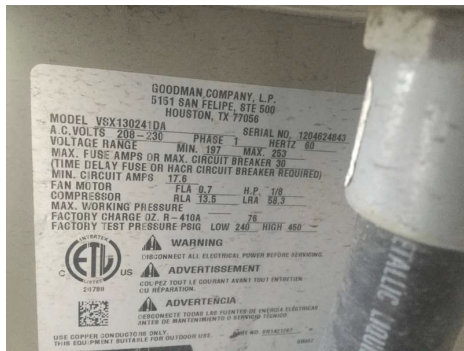
## Information

**Cooling Equipment: Energy Source/Type**  
Electric

**Cooling Equipment: Location**  
Exterior North, Patio Area

**Distribution System: Configuration**  
Central

**Cooling Equipment: Brand**  
Goodman



**Cooling Equipment: SEER Rating**  
13 SEER

Modern standards call for at least 13 SEER rating for new install.  
Read more on energy efficient air conditioning at [Energy.gov](http://Energy.gov).

## Recommendations

### 6.1.1 Cooling Equipment

#### INSULATION MISSING OR DAMAGED



Missing or damaged insulation on refrigerant line can cause energy loss and condensation.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



# 7: PLUMBING

		IN	NI	NP	R
7.1	Main Water Shut-off Device	X			
7.2	Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems	X			
7.3	Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures	X			
7.4	Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents	X			
7.5	Fuel Storage & Distribution Systems	X			
7.6	Sump Pump	X			

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## Information

### Filters

None

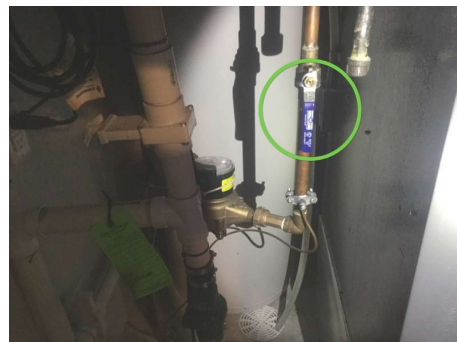
### Water Source

Public

### Main Water Shut-off Device:

#### Location

Basement



Lower Level Bedroom Closet

### Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems:

#### Drain Size

1 1/2", 2"

### Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems:

#### Material

Under Stairs behind cabinet doors

PVC



Gate Valve for closing off main sewer in case of Flood/Sewer Back-up

### Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures: Distribution

#### Material

Copper

### Water Supply, Distribution Systems & Fixtures: Water

#### Supply Material

Copper, Pex

**Hot Water Systems, Controls,  
Flues & Vents: Power  
Source/Type**  
Electric

**Hot Water Systems, Controls,  
Flues & Vents: Capacity**  
50 gallons



**Hot Water Systems, Controls,  
Flues & Vents: Location**  
Utility Room, Basement

**Fuel Storage & Distribution  
Systems: Main Gas Shut-off  
Location**  
Northwest Corner of house  
Gas Meter



**Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Manufacturer**  
AO Smith

I recommend flushing & servicing your water heater tank annually for optimal performance. Water temperature should be set to at least 120 degrees F to kill microbes and no higher than 130 degrees F to prevent scalding.

[Here is a nice maintenance guide from Lowe's to help.](#)

**Sump Pump: Location**

Basement, Bedroom Closet, Utility Room



Sump pump was operable at time of inspection. No water was present in pit at time of inspection.



Gate Valves for sump pump. Lower one is for pumping into sewer for winter months, upper valve is for pumping water outside off house (when pumping outside, make sure discharge hose is connected and away from house). Pull gate valve handle out to open and push in to close. One or the other must be open at all times.

# 8: ELECTRICAL

		IN	NI	NP	R
8.1	Service Entrance Conductors	X			
8.2	Main & Subpanels, Service & Grounding, Main Overcurrent Device	X			
8.3	Branch Wiring Circuits, Breakers & Fuses	X			
8.4	Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles	X			
8.5	GFCI & AFCI	X			
8.6	Smoke Detectors	X			
8.7	Carbon Monoxide Detectors	X			

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## Information

**Service Entrance Conductors:  
Electrical Service Conductors**  
Below Ground

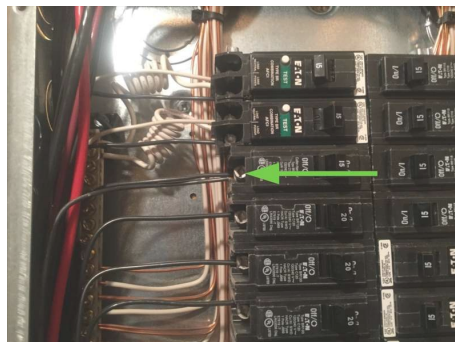
**Main & Subpanels, Service & Grounding, Main Overcurrent Device: Main Panel Location**  
Utility Room, Basement

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

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

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

**Main & Subpanels, Service & Grounding, Main Overcurrent Device: Sub Panel Location**  
None Present



One double tap on breakers. Normally would be considered improper wiring, but in this case, the second wire is only operating a low voltage transformer for the door bell, therefor is OK.

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

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

**GFCI & AFCI: Kitchen & Bathroom GFI Outlets**

Kitchens usually have 2 alternating circuits for outlets, which means that each GFI outlet controls every other standard outlet in the kitchen. So if an outlet isn't working (check BOTH GFI outlets and push the reset button)

Bathroom GFI outlets sometimes are wired to protect more than one bathroom, so if a bathroom has a standard outlet, it most likely is controlled by a GFI outlet in an adjoining bathroom.

**Carbon Monoxide Detectors: Carbon Monoxide Detector**

Carbon Monoxide detector was a plug in style found in upper level bathroom. Make sure it is left behind by present owners, if not, install one immediately upon moving in!

# 9: ATTIC, INSULATION & VENTILATION

		IN	NI	NP	R
9.1	Attic Insulation		X		
9.2	Vapor Retarders (Crawlspace or Basement)		X		
9.3	Ventilation	X			
9.4	Exhaust Systems	X			

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## Information

**Dryer Power Source**

220 Electric

**Dryer Vent**

Vinyl (Flex)

**Flooring Insulation**

Unknown

**Ventilation: Ventilation Type**

Turtle Vents

**Exhaust Systems: Exhaust Fans**

Fan Only

## Limitations

Attic Insulation

**ATTIC ACCESS SEALED**

Attic access located in master bedroom closet, access was sealed and would cause debris to fall on clothing.

Vapor Retarders (Crawlspace or Basement)

**FINISHED BASEMENT**



# 10: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

		IN	NI	NP	R
10.1	Doors	X			
10.2	Windows	X			
10.3	Floors	X			
10.4	Walls	X			
10.5	Ceilings	X			
10.6	Steps, Stairways & Railings	X			
10.7	Countertops & Cabinets	X			

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## Information

### Windows: Window Type

Casement

### Windows: Window Manufacturer

Unknown

### Floors: Floor Coverings

Carpet, Hardwood

### Walls: Wall Material

Drywall

### Ceilings: Ceiling Material

Popcorn

### Countertops & Cabinets:

#### Countertop Material

Laminate

### Countertops & Cabinets:

#### Cabinetry

Wood

## Recommendations

### 10.4.1 Walls

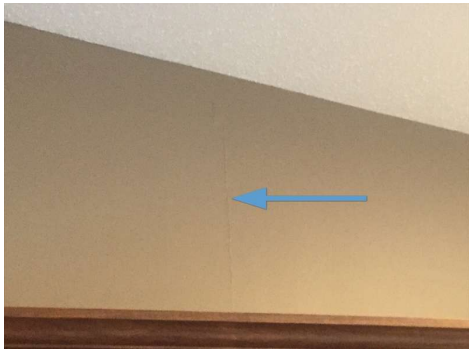
#### SETTLING CRACKS



Settling cracks are generally associated with the settling of the house. They may be caused by slight movement/settling in the foundation due to the expansion and contraction of the clay soil commonly found in this area. They may also be caused from the downward pressure put on a roof from a (snow load). The cracks can be repaired by sanding smooth, cleaning out the crack, re-taping & mudding. Or, sanding smooth, cleaning out the crack and applying flexible (elastomeric) paintable caulking. In either case, chances are that over time they will probably reappear at some point. Most common places to find this type of crack is at the top corner of a doorway or window, or on vaulted ceilings at the peak or where it meets the outside walls. Most materials used in building a house are somewhat flexible, including drywall, unfortunately it's the tape joints in the drywall that are the most susceptible to cracking (Paper or fiberglass mesh tape with an 1/8" of drywall compound over the top).

#### Recommendation

Contact a qualified drywall contractor.



# 11: BUILT-IN APPLIANCES

		IN	NI	NP	R
11.1	Dishwasher	X			
11.2	Refrigerator	X			
11.3	Range/Oven/Cooktop	X			
11.4	Garbage Disposal	X			

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## Information

### Dishwasher: Brand

GE

### Refrigerator: Brand

GE

### Range/Oven/Cooktop:

#### Range/Oven Energy Source

Electric

### Range/Oven/Cooktop:

#### Range/Oven Brand

GE

### Range/Oven/Cooktop: Exhaust

#### Hood Type

Microwave

## Recommendations

### 11.2.1 Refrigerator

#### FROST BUILD-UP

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project



excessive frost buildup on underside of ice maker. Probably due to food storage in too close proximity. Recommend defrosting and monitoring. (Ice maker worked at time of inspection).

# 12: GARAGE

		IN	NI	NP	R
12.1	Ceiling	X			
12.2	Floor	X			
12.3	Walls & Firewalls	X			
12.4	Garage Door	X			
12.5	Garage Door Opener	X			
12.6	Occupant Door (From garage to inside of home)	X			
12.7	Heating	X			

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### Garage Door: Material

Aluminum

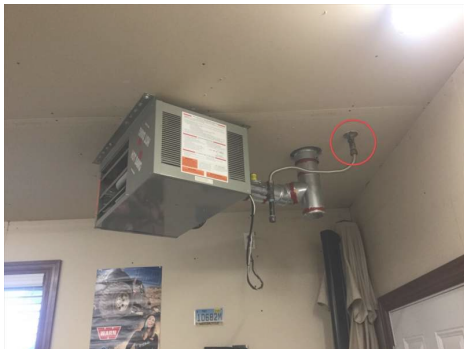
### Garage Door: Type

Up-and-Over

### Garage Door Opener: Style

Chain Drive

### Heating: Gas Furnace



Gas Shut off for garage furnace



Thermostat for garage furnace

# STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

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## 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 inspector's 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 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.

## Basement, Foundation, Crawlspace & Structure

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the foundation; B. the basement; C. the crawlspace; and D. structural components. II. The inspector shall describe: A. the type of foundation; and B. the location of the access to the under-floor space. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. observed indications of wood in contact with or near soil; B. observed indications of active water penetration; C. observed indications of possible foundation movement, such as sheetrock cracks, brick cracks, out-of-square door frames, and unlevel floors; and D. any observed cutting, notching and boring of framing members that may, in the inspector's opinion, present a structural or safety concern. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. enter any crawlspace that is not readily accessible, or where entry could cause damage or pose a hazard to him/herself. B. move stored items or debris. C. operate sump pumps with inaccessible floats. D. identify the size, spacing, span or location or determine the adequacy of foundation bolting, bracing, joists, joist spans or support systems. E. provide any engineering or architectural service. F. report on the adequacy of any structural system or component.

## Heating

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the heating system, using normal operating controls. II. The inspector shall describe: A. the location of the thermostat for the heating system; B. the energy source; and C. the heating method. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. any heating system that did not operate; and B. if the heating system was deemed inaccessible. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. inspect or evaluate the interior of flues or chimneys, fire chambers, heat exchangers, combustion air systems, fresh-air intakes, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, electronic air filters, geothermal systems, or solar heating systems. B. inspect fuel tanks or underground or concealed fuel supply systems. C. determine the uniformity, temperature, flow, balance, distribution, size, capacity, BTU, or supply adequacy of the heating system. D. light or ignite pilot flames. E. activate heating, heat pump systems, or other heating systems when ambient temperatures or other circumstances are not conducive to safe operation or may damage the equipment. F. override electronic thermostats. G. evaluate fuel quality. H. verify thermostat calibration, heat anticipation, or automatic setbacks, timers, programs or clocks.

## Cooling

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the cooling system, using normal operating controls. II. The inspector shall describe: A. the location of the thermostat for the cooling system; and B. the cooling method. III. The inspector shall report as

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

## Plumbing

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the main water supply shut-off valve; B. the main fuel supply shut-off valve; C. the water heating equipment, including the energy source, venting connections, temperature/pressure-relief (TPR) valves, Watts 210 valves, and seismic bracing; D. interior water supply, including all fixtures and faucets, by running the water; E. all toilets for proper operation by flushing; F. all sinks, tubs and showers for functional drainage; G. the drain, waste and vent system; and H. drainage sump pumps with accessible floats. II. The inspector shall describe: A. whether the water supply is public or private based upon observed evidence; B. the location of the main water supply shut-off valve; C. the location of the main fuel supply shut-off valve; D. the location of any observed fuel-storage system; and E. the capacity of the water heating equipment, if labeled. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. deficiencies in the water supply by viewing the functional flow in two fixtures operated simultaneously; B. deficiencies in the installation of hot and cold water faucets; C. mechanical drain stops that were missing or did not operate if installed in sinks, lavatories and tubs; and D. toilets that were damaged, had loose connections to the floor, were leaking, or had tank components that did not operate. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. light or ignite pilot flames. B. measure the capacity, temperature, age, life expectancy or adequacy of the water heater. C. inspect the interior of flues or chimneys, combustion air systems, water softener or filtering systems, well pumps or tanks, safety or shut-off valves, floor drains, lawn sprinkler systems, or fire sprinkler systems. D. determine the exact flow rate, volume, pressure, temperature or adequacy of the water supply. E. determine the water quality, potability or reliability of the water supply or source. F. open sealed plumbing access panels. G. inspect clothes washing machines or their connections. H. operate any valve. I. test shower pans, tub and shower surrounds or enclosures for leakage or functional overflow protection. J. evaluate the compliance with conservation, energy or building standards, or the proper design or sizing of any water, waste or venting components, fixtures or piping. K. determine the effectiveness of anti-siphon, backflow prevention or drain-stop devices. L. determine whether there are sufficient cleanouts for effective cleaning of drains. M. evaluate fuel storage tanks or supply systems. N. inspect wastewater treatment systems. O. inspect water treatment systems or water filters. P. inspect water storage tanks, pressure pumps, or bladder tanks. Q. evaluate wait time to obtain hot water at fixtures, or perform testing of any kind to water heater elements. R. evaluate or determine the adequacy of combustion air. S. test, operate, open or close: safety controls, manual stop valves, temperature/pressure-relief valves, control valves, or check valves. T. examine ancillary or auxiliary systems or components, such as, but not limited to, those related to solar water heating and hot water circulation. U. determine the existence or condition of polybutylene plumbing. V. inspect or test for gas or fuel leaks, or indications thereof.

## Electrical

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the service drop; B. the overhead service conductors and attachment point; C. the service head, gooseneck and drip loops; D. the service mast, service conduit and raceway; E. the electric meter and base; F. service-entrance conductors; G. the main service disconnect; H. panelboards and over-current protection devices (circuit breakers and fuses); I. service grounding and bonding; J. a representative number of switches, lighting fixtures and receptacles, including receptacles observed and deemed to be arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI)-protected using the AFCI test button, where possible; K. all ground-fault circuit interrupter receptacles and circuit breakers observed and deemed to be GFCIs using a GFCI tester, where possible; and L. smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors. II. The inspector shall describe: A. the main service disconnect's amperage rating, if labeled; and B. the type of wiring observed. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. deficiencies in the integrity of the 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.

**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.

**Built-in 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 confirm the operation of every control and feature of an inspected appliance.