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1: INSPECTION DETAILS

Information

In Attendance

Home Owner

Temperature (approximate)

98.6 Fahrenheit (F)

Occupancy

Furnished, Occupied

Type of Building

Single Family

Style

Contemporary

Weather Conditions

Clear

2: ROOF

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

Information

Inspection Method Roof Type/Style Coverings: Material

Binoculars, Ladder, Roof Flat, Hip Metal

Roof Drainage Systems: Gutter Flashings: Material

Material Metal

Aluminum

Deficiencies

2.3.1 Flashings

Recommendation

LOOSE/SEPARATED

ROOF AREA

Flashings observed to be loose or separated, which can lead to water intrusion and/or mold. Recommend a qualified roofing contractor repair.

2.3.2 Flashings

FLASHINGS WERE SET UP WRONG

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



3: EXTERIOR

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

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Information

Inspection Method

Visual

Exterior Doors: Exterior Entry

Fiberglass

Decks, Balconies, Porches &

Steps: MaterialComposite

Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding

Material Wood

Walkways, Patios & Driveways: Driveway Material

Asphalt

Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding

Style Panels

Decks, Balconies, Porches &

Steps: Appurtenance

Deck

Deficiencies

3.3.1 Walkways, Patios & Driveways

DRIVEWAY CRACKING - MINOR

DRIVEWAY AREA

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

3.4.1 Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps

LEDGER BOARD IMPROPERLY INSTALLED

DECK AREA IN THE BACK OF THE PROPERTY

The ledger board is not properly attached to the building. This can cause the deck to pull away from the building and possibly collapse. Recommend that the deck and/or ledger board be properly attached by qualified contractor.



Recommendation

4: BASEMENT, FOUNDATION, CRAWLSPACE & STRUCTURE

		IN	NI	NP	D
4.1	Foundation	Χ			
4.2	Basements & Crawlspaces	Χ			Χ
4.3	Floor Structure	Χ			Χ
4.4	Wall Structure	Χ			Χ
4.5	Ceiling Structure	Χ			

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Inspection Method

Visual

Foundation: Material

Concrete

Floor Structure:

Basement/CrawIspace Floor

Concrete

Floor Structure: Material

Steel Joists

Floor Structure: Sub-floor

Inaccessible

Deficiencies

4.2.1 Basements & Crawlspaces





High levels of moisture were noted in areas of the basement. Recommend monitoring and finding source of moisture intrusion to prevent damage to structure.

4.2.2 Basements & Crawlspaces

STANDING WATER

BASEMENT AREA



Observed signs that standing water may have been present on basement floor. Recommend a qualified contractor evaluate and find potential source of moisture.

4.4.1 Wall Structure

CRACKS - MINOR



Minor cracking was observed in wall structure. This is common in homes this age. Recommend monitoring.

5: HEATING

		IN	NI	NP	D
5.1	Equipment	Χ			
5.2	Normal Operating Controls	Χ			Χ
5.3	Distribution Systems	Χ			Χ
5.4	Presence of Installed Heat Source in Each Room	Χ			

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Information

Equipment: Energy Source Equipment: Heat Type

American Standard Electric Radiant Heat

Distribution Systems: Ductwork

Insulated

AFUE Rating

NONE

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.

Deficiencies

5.2.1 Normal Operating Controls

INOPERABLE

BASEMENT AREA

Thermostat was inoperable. Recommend a qualified HVAC contractor replace.



5.3.1 Distribution Systems

DUCT DAMAGED

BASEMENT AREA

Air supply duct was damaged. Recommend a qualified HVAC contractor repair.



6: COOLING

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

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Information

Unable to Inspect due to weather being under 60 degrees

Back area of the house

Cooling Equipment: Brand

Amana

Cooling Equipment: Energy

Source/Type

Central Air Conditioner

Cooling Equipment: Location Distribution System:

Exterior South

Configuration Central

Cooling Equipment: SEER Rating

NONE SEER

Modern standards call for at least 13 SEER rating for new install.

Read more on energy efficient air conditioning at Energy.gov.

Limitations

Deficiencies

6.1.1 Cooling Equipment

AIR FLOW RESTRICTED

REAR OF PROPERTY

Air flow to the air conditioner condenser was restricted. This may result in inefficient operation. Recommend cleaning dirt and/or debris from unit.



7: PLUMBING

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

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Information

Filters Water Source Main Water Shut-off Device:

System flush Public Location

Basement

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

Fuel Storage & Distribution

Drain Size Systems & Fixtures: Distribution Material Unknown **PVC** Material

Galvanized

Water Supply, Distribution Hot Water Systems, Controls,

Systems & Fixtures: Water Flues & Vents: Capacity **Supply Material**

none gallons

Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Location

Basement, Washer/Dryer Area

Hot Water Systems, Controls,

Flues & Vents: Power **Systems: Main Gas Shut-off** Source/Type Location

Electric **Basement** **Sump Pump: Location**

Basement

Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents: Manufacturer

Unknown

Galvanized

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.

Deficiencies

7.1.1 Main Water Shut-off Device

CORROSION

BASEMENT AREA

Water main shut-off shows signs of corrosion. Recommend a qualified plumber evaluate.



7.4.1 Hot Water Systems, Controls, Flues & Vents



WATER STAINS - LEAKAGE

Water stains were observed beneath water heater, indicating a past or present leak. Recommend further evaluation and repair by a qualified plumber.

7.5.1 Fuel Storage & Distribution Systems

Recommendation

IMPROPER INSTALLATION

KITCHEN AREA

Gas supply or distribution pipes were improperly installed. Recommend a qualified contractor or local utility company evaluate and properly install pipes up to standards.

7.6.1 Sump Pump

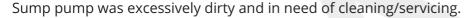
INOPERABLE

BASEMENT

Sump pump was inoperable at the time of inspection. Recommend qualified plumber evaluate and repair.

7.6.2 Sump Pump

NEEDS CLEANING





8: ELECTRICAL

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

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Information

Service Entrance Conductors: Electrical Service Conductors 120 Volts

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

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

Aluminum

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

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

& Fuses: Wiring Method

Romex

Grounding, Main Overcurrent Device: Panel Capacity 200 AMP

Main & Subpanels, Service &

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

Deficiencies

8.4.1 Lighting Fixtures, Switches & Receptacles

COVER PLATES MISSING

MULITPLE AREAS OF THE HOUSE

One or more receptacles are missing a cover plate. This causes short and shock risk. Recommend installation of plates.

8.5.1 GFCI & AFCI

NO GFCI PROTECTION INSTALLED

MULITPLE AREAS OF AREA

No GFCI protection present in all locations. Recommend licensed electrician upgrade by installing ground fault receptacles in all locations.

Here is a link to read about how GFCI receptacles keep you safe.





8.6.1 Smoke Detectors



DEFECTIVE

MULTIPLE AREAS OF PROPERTY

Smoke detector is connected, but not functioning properly. Recommend replacement.

8.7.1 Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Recommendation

DEFECTIVE

Carbon monoxide detector is connected, but not functioning properly. Recommend replacement.

9: FIREPLACE

		IN	NI	NP	D
9.1	Vents, Flues & Chimneys	Χ			Χ
9.2	Lintels	Χ			Χ
9.3	Damper Doors	Χ			Χ
9.4	Cleanout Doors & Frames	Χ			Χ

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Information

Type

Electric

Deficiencies

9.1.1 Vents, Flues & Chimneys

CHIMNEY LINER DIRTY

BASEMENT AREA

Chimney liner had layer of creosote dust, so underlying structure couldn't be inspected for cracks. Recommend qualified chimney sweep company inspect and/or clean.

9.2.1 Lintels

FIREWALL CRACKED

BASEMENT AREA

The brick lining of the fireplace was cracked in one or more places, which could lead to chimney damage or toxic fumes entering the home. Recommend a qualified fireplace contractor evaluate and repair.

9.3.1 Damper Doors

DAMPER INOPERABLE

BASEMENT AREA

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

9.4.1 Cleanout Doors & Frames

CREOSOTE BUILDUP

BASEMENT AREA

There was a notable amount of creosote buildup in the flue. Recommend a qualified fireplace or chimney contractor inspected and sweep on annual basis.





9.4.2 Cleanout Doors & Frames

NO FIREPLACE SCREEN



LIVING ROOM AREA

Fireplace screen was missing in front of fireplace. Fire logs can split, so this is recommended as a safety precaution.

10: ATTIC, INSULATION & VENTILATION

		IN	NI	NP	D
10.1	Attic Insulation	Χ			Χ
10.2	Vapor Retarders (Crawlspace or Basement)	Χ			Χ
10.3	Ventilation	Χ			Χ
10.4	Exhaust Systems	Χ			Χ

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Information

Dryer Power Source

220 Electric

Attic Insulation: Insulation Type Attic Insulation: R-value

Fiberglass

Exhaust Systems: Exhaust Fans Fan Only, Fan with Light

Dryer Vent Metal

none

Flooring Insulation

None

Ventilation: Ventilation Type

Gable Vents

Deficiencies

10.1.1 Attic Insulation

IMPROPER INSTALLATION

ATTIC AREA

Attic insulation was improperly installed. Recommend a qualified insulation contractor evaluate and correct.

10.1.2 Attic Insulation

INSUFFICIENT INSULATION

ATTIC AREA

Insulation depth was inadequate. Recommend a qualified attic insulation contractor install additional insulation.

10.4.1 Exhaust Systems

BATHROOM VENTS INTO ATTIC

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Bathroom fan vents into the attic, which can cause moisture and mold. Recommend a qualified attic contractor property install exhaust fan to terminate to the exterior.

10.4.2 Exhaust Systems

DUCTS LOOSE





Ductwork in the attic is loose or disconnected. Recommend repair.

11: DOORS, WINDOWS & INTERIOR

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

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Information

Walls: Wall MaterialDrywall

Ceilings: Ceiling MaterialCeiling Tiles

Countertops & Cabinets: Cabinetry

Laminate

Countertops & Cabinets:

Countertop Material

Granite

Limitations

Deficiencies

11.1.1 Doors

POOR WEATHER-STRIPPING

REAR DOOR AREA



11.4.1 Walls

MINOR CORNER CRACKS

BASEMENT AREA



Minor cracks at the corners of doors and windows in walls. Appeared to be the result of long-term settling. Some settling is not unusual in a home of this age and these cracks are not a structural concern.

11.4.2 Walls

MOISTURE DAMAGE



Stains on the walls visible at the time of the inspection appeared to be the result of moisture intrusion. The source of moisture may have been corrected. Recommend further examination by a qualified contractor to provide confirmation.

11.4.3 Walls

PAINT CRACKING



BASEMENT AREA

Wall paint was cracking in one or more areas. Recommend a qualified painter evaluate and apply a new coat.

Here is a DIY article on treating cracking paint.

11.4.4 Walls

POOR PATCHING



Sub-standard drywall patching observed at time of inspection. Recommend re-patching.

11.7.1 Countertops & Cabinets



CABINET SEPARATING FROM WALL

KITCHEN AREA

Cabinets are separating from ceiling or wall. Recommend a qualified cabinet contractor re-fasten cabinets securely.

STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

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.

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

Electrical

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. the service drop; B. the overhead service conductors and attachment point; C. the service head, gooseneck and drip loops; D. the service mast, service conduit and raceway; E. the electric meter and base; F. service-entrance conductors; G. the main service disconnect; H. panelboards and over-current protection devices (circuit breakers and fuses); I. service grounding and bonding; J. a representative number of switches, lighting fixtures and receptacles, including receptacles observed and deemed to be arc-fault circuit interrupter (AFCI)-protected using the AFCI test button, where possible; K. all ground-fault circuit interrupter receptacles and circuit breakers observed and deemed to be GFCIs using a GFCI tester, where possible; and L. smoke and carbonmonoxide detectors. II. The inspector shall describe: A. the main service disconnect's amperage rating, if labeled; and B. the type of wiring observed. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. deficiencies in the integrity of the serviceentrance conductors insulation, drip loop, and vertical clearances from grade and roofs; B. any unused circuit-breaker panel opening that was not filled; C. the presence of solid conductor aluminum branchcircuit wiring, if readily visible; D. any tested receptacle in which power was not present, polarity was incorrect, the cover was not in place, the GFCI devices were not properly installed or did not operate properly, evidence of arcing or excessive heat, and where the receptacle was not grounded or was not secured to the wall; and E. the absence of smoke detectors. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. insert any tool, probe or device into the main panelboard, sub-panels, distribution panelboards, or electrical fixtures. B. operate electrical systems that are shut down. C. remove panelboard cabinet covers or dead fronts. D. operate or re-set over-current protection devices or overload devices. E. operate or test smoke or carbon-monoxide detectors or alarms F. inspect, operate or test any security, fire or alarms systems or components, or other warning or signaling systems. G. measure or determine the amperage or voltage of the main service equipment, if not visibly labeled. H. inspect ancillary wiring or remotecontrol devices. I. activate any electrical systems or branch circuits that are not energized. J. inspect low-voltage systems, electrical de-icing tapes, swimming pool wiring, or any timecontrolled devices. K. verify the service ground. L. inspect private or emergency electrical supply sources, including, but not limited to: generators, windmills, photovoltaic solar collectors, or battery or electrical storage facility. M. inspect spark or lightning arrestors. N. inspect or test de-icing equipment. O. conduct voltage-drop calculations. P. determine the accuracy of labeling. Q. inspect exterior lighting.

Fireplace

I. The inspector shall inspect:

readily accessible and visible portions of the fireplaces and chimneys;

lintels above the fireplace openings;

damper doors by opening and closing them, if readily accessible and manually operable; and

cleanout doors and frames.

II. The inspector shall describe:

the type of fireplace.

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

evidence of joint separation, damage or deterioration of the hearth, hearth extension or chambers;

manually operated dampers that did not open and close;

the lack of a smoke detector in the same room as the fireplace;

the lack of a carbon-monoxide detector in the same room as the fireplace; and

cleanouts not made of metal, pre-cast cement, or other non-combustible material.

IV. The inspector is not required to:

inspect the flue or vent system.

inspect the interior of chimneys or flues, fire doors or screens, seals or gaskets, or mantels.

determine the need for a chimney sweep.

operate gas fireplace inserts.

light pilot flames.

determine the appropriateness of any installation.

inspect automatic fuel-fed devices.

inspect combustion and/or make-up air devices.

inspect heat-distribution assists, whether gravity-controlled or fan-assisted.

ignite or extinguish fires.

determine the adequacy of drafts or draft characteristics.

move fireplace inserts, stoves or firebox contents.

perform a smoke test.

dismantle or remove any component.

perform a National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)-style inspection.

perform a Phase I fireplace and chimney inspection.

Attic, Insulation & Ventilation

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. insulation in unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas; B. ventilation of unfinished spaces, including attics, crawlspaces and foundation areas; and C. mechanical exhaust systems in the kitchen, bathrooms and laundry area. II. The inspector shall describe: A. the type of insulation observed; and B. the approximate average depth of insulation observed at the unfinished attic floor area or roof structure. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. the general absence of insulation or ventilation in unfinished spaces. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. enter the attic or any unfinished spaces that are not readily accessible, or where entry could cause damage or, in the inspector's opinion, pose a safety hazard. B. move, touch or disturb insulation. C. move, touch or disturb vapor retarders. D. break or otherwise damage the surface finish or weather seal on or around access panels or covers. E. identify the composition or R-value of insulation material. F. activate thermostatically operated fans. G. determine the types of materials used in insulation or wrapping of pipes, ducts, jackets, boilers or wiring. H. determine the adequacy of ventilation.

Doors, Windows & Interior

I. The inspector shall inspect: A. a representative number of doors and windows by opening and closing them; B. floors, walls and ceilings; C. stairs, steps, landings, stairways and ramps; D. railings, guards and handrails; and E. garage vehicle doors and the operation of garage vehicle door openers, using normal operating controls. II. The inspector shall describe: A. a garage vehicle door as manually-operated or installed with a garage door opener. III. The inspector shall report as in need of correction: A. improper spacing between intermediate balusters, spindles and rails for steps, stairways, guards and railings; B. photo-electric safety sensors that did not operate properly; and C. any window that was obviously fogged or displayed other evidence of broken seals. IV. The inspector is not required to: A. inspect paint, wallpaper, window treatments or finish treatments. B. inspect floor coverings or carpeting. C. inspect central vacuum systems. D. inspect for safety glazing. E. inspect security systems or components. F. evaluate the fastening of islands, countertops, cabinets, sink tops or fixtures. G. move furniture, stored items, or any coverings, such as carpets or rugs, in order to inspect the concealed floor structure. H. move suspended-ceiling tiles. I. inspect or move any household appliances. J. inspect or operate equipment housed in the garage, except as otherwise noted. K. verify or certify the proper operation of any pressure-activated auto-reverse or related safety feature of a garage door. L. operate or evaluate any security bar release and opening mechanisms, whether interior or exterior, including their compliance with local, state or federal standards. M. operate any system, appliance or component that requires the use of special keys, codes, combinations or devices. N. operate or evaluate self-cleaning oven cycles, tilt guards/latches, or signal lights. O. inspect microwave ovens or test leakage from microwave ovens. P. operate or examine any sauna, steamgenerating equipment, kiln, toaster, ice maker, coffee maker, can opener, bread warmer, blender, instant hot-water dispenser, or other small, ancillary appliances or devices. Q. inspect elevators. R. inspect remote controls. S. inspect appliances. T. inspect items not permanently installed. U. discover firewall compromises. V. inspect pools, spas or fountains. W. determine the adequacy of whirlpool or spa jets, water force, or bubble effects. X. determine the structural integrity or leakage of pools or spas.