# Inspection Report

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#### FOR THE PROPERTY AT:

37-39 Hwy 11 Fauquier, ON

# PREPARED FOR:

**SUZANNE SHOLER** 

#### **INSPECTION DATE:**

Saturday, March 14, 2015

#### PREPARED BY:

**Guy Durette** 







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March 18, 2015

Dear Suzanne Sholer,

RE: Report No. 1067 37-39 Hwy 11 Fauquier, ON

Thanks very much for choosing us to perform your home inspection. The inspection itself and the attached report comply with the requirements of the Standards of Practice of our national Association. This document defines the scope of a home inspection.

Clients sometimes assume that a home inspection will include many things that are beyond the scope. We encourage you to read the Standards of Practice so that you clearly understand what things are included in the home inspection and report.

The report has been prepared for the exclusive use of our client. No use by third parties is intended. We will not be responsible to any parties for the contents of the report, other than the party named herein .

The report is effectively a snapshot of the house, recording the conditions on a given date and time. Home inspectors cannot predict future behavior, and as such, we cannot be responsible for things that occur after the inspection. If conditions change, we are available to revisit the property and update our report.

The report itself is copyrighted, and may not be used in whole or in part without our express written permission.

Again, thanks very much for choosing us to perform your home inspection.

Sincerely,

Guy Durette on behalf of Specway CHIPS



# **INVOICE**

March 18, 2015

Client: Suzanne Sholer

Report No. 1067 For inspection at: 37-39 Hwy 11 Fauquier, ON

on: Saturday, March 14, 2015

Commercial Inspection(Will Provide quote)		\$1,299.00
Additional Furnace		\$75.00
Additional Water Heater		\$35.00
Additional Washrooms 5x 2pc@45		\$225.00
Travel - 3 hrs		\$150.00
Service Discount		(\$1,335.00)
	Subtotal	\$449.00
	HST	\$58.37
	Total	\$507.37

PAID IN FULL - THANK YOU!

#### **AGREEMENT**

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#### PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

Company Specway CHIPS 135 Jaguar Dr, Suite Timmins P4N 7C3, ON Ontario Client Suzanne Sholer

Total Fee: \$507.37

This is an agreement between Suzanne Sholer and Specway CHIPS.

THIS CONTRACT LIMITS THE LIABILITY OF THE HOME INSPECTION COMPANY. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

In addition to the limitations in the Standards of Practice, the Inspection of this property is subject to the Limitations and Conditions set out in this Agreement. The Inspection is performed in accordance with the Standards of Practice of our national association.

#### LIMITATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF THE HOME INSPECTION

There are limitations to the scope of this Inspection. It provides a general overview of the more obvious repairs that may be needed. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list. The ultimate decision of what to repair or replace is yours. One homeowner may decide that certain conditions require repair or replacement, while another will not.

#### 1) THE INSPECTION IS NOT TECHNICALLY EXHAUSTIVE.

The Home Inspection provides you with a basic overview of the condition of the property. Because your Home Inspector has only a limited amount of time to go through the property, the Inspection is not technically exhaustive.

Some conditions noted, such as foundation cracks or other signs of settling in a house, may either be cosmetic or may indicate a potential problem that is beyond the scope of the Home Inspection.

If you are concerned about any conditions noted in the Home Inspection Report, we strongly recommend that you consult a qualified Licensed Contractor or Consulting Engineer. These professionals can provide a more detailed analysis of any conditions noted in the Report at an additional cost

#### 2) THE INSPECTION IS AN OPINION OF THE PRESENT CONDITION OF THE VISIBLE COMPONENTS.

The Home Inspector's Report is an opinion of the present condition of the property. It is based on a visual examination of the readily accessible features of the building.

A Home Inspection does not include identifying defects that are hidden behind walls, floors or ceilings. This includes wiring, heating, cooling, structure, plumbing and insulation that are hidden or inaccessible.

Some intermittent problems may not be obvious on a Home Inspection because they only happen under certain circumstances. As an example, your Home Inspector may not discover leaks that occur only during certain weather conditions or when a specific tap or appliance is being used in everyday life.

Home Inspectors will not find conditions that may only be visible when storage or furniture is moved. They do not remove wall coverings (including wallpaper) or lift flooring (including carpet) or move storage to look underneath or behind.

#### 3) THE INSPECTION DOES NOT INCLUDE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.

This includes building materials that are now suspected of posing a risk to health such as phenol-formaldehyde and urea-formaldehyde based insulation, fiberglass insulation and vermiculite insulation. The Inspector does not identify asbestos roofing, siding, wall, ceiling or floor finishes, insulation or fireproofing. We do not look for lead or other toxic metals in such things as pipes, paint or window coverings.

The Inspection does not deal with environmental hazards such as the past use of insecticides, fungicides, herbicides or pesticides. The Home Inspector does not look for, or comment on, the past use of chemical termite treatments in or around the property.

#### 4) WE DO NOT COMMENT ON THE QUALITY OF AIR IN A BUILDING.

The Inspector does not try to determine if there are irritants, pollutants, contaminants, or toxic materials in or around the building.

The Inspection does not include spores, fungus, mold or mildew that may be present. You should note that whenever there is water damage noted in the report, there is a possibility that mold or mildew may be present, unseen behind a wall, floor or ceiling.

If anyone in your home suffers from allergies or heightened sensitivity to quality of air, we strongly recommend that you consult a qualified Environmental Consultant who can test for toxic materials, mold and allergens at additional cost.

#### 5) WE DON'T LOOK FOR BURIED TANKS.

Your Home Inspector does not look for and is not responsible for fuel oil, septic or gasoline tanks that may be buried on the property. If the building had its heating system converted from oil, there will always be the possibility that a tank may remain buried on the property.

If fuel oil or other storage tanks remain on the property, you may be responsible for their removal and the safe disposal of any contaminated soil. If you suspect there is a buried tank, we strongly recommend that you retain a qualified Environmental Consultant to determine whether this is a potential problem.

#### 6) TIME TO INVESTIGATE

We will have no liability for any claim or complaint if conditions have been disturbed, altered, repaired, replaced or otherwise changed before we have had a reasonable period of time to investigate.

#### 7) REPORT IS FOR OUR CLIENT ONLY

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8) CANCELLATION FEE		
If the inspection is cancelled within 24 hours of the appointment time, a cancellation fee of 50% of the inspection fee will apply.		
9) NOT A GUARANTEE, WARRANTY OR INSURANCE POLICY.		
The inspection is not a guarantee, warranty or an insurance policy with regard to the fitness of the property.		
10) LIMIT OF LIABILITY / LIQUIDATED DAMAGES		
The liability of the Home Inspector and the Home Inspection Company arising out of this Inspection and Report, for any cause of action whatsoever, whether in contract or in negligence, is limited to a refund of the fees that you have been charged for this inspection.		
I, Suzanne Sholer (Signature), (Date), have read, understood and accepted the terms of this agreement.		
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This Summary outlines potentially significant issues from a cost or safety standpoint. This section is provided as a courtesy and cannot be considered a substitute for reading the entire report. Please read the complete document.

Priority Maintenance Items

# Roofing

#### **SLOPED ROOFING \ Asphalt shingles**

Condition: • Leak

The roof was noted to have an active leak in the kitchen. The area is directly bellow a valley, and is probably a result of water intrusion at this vulnerable area. Further investigation on the roof side, along with temporary repairs should be performed immediately to minimize interior damage. Areas of the bulkhead and wall have water damage and should be repaired soon as possible. The gypsum should be removed at affected areas, roof repairs and the area should be given time to properly dry prior to re installing new gypsum board. This will prevent the growth of organic materials (mould).

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

**Location**: First Floor Kitchen **Task**: Repair Further evaluation

Time: Immediate

# Exterior

#### **ROOF DRAINAGE \ Gutters**

Condition: • Loose or damaged

The gutter is loose and should be re fastened properly to ensure good roof drainage.

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

Location: Exterior Task: Repair Time: Immediate

#### **EXTERIOR GLASS \ Frames**

Condition: • Paint or stain needed

The exterior frames of some windows require paint to prevent rot, and / or water damage to the interior of the property.

Consider future upgrades to these windows.

Implication(s): Material deterioration

Location: Front Task: Improve Time: Immediate

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#### Structure

#### **FOUNDATIONS \ Foundation**

Condition: • Settled

Structural movement has occurred in this areas due to a failure in the supporting wall below. Repairs are required in this area with a combination of posts and beams, or by other means recommended by a professional.

Implication(s): Chance of structural movement

Location: Basement

Task: Repair

**Time**: Less than 1 year

**Condition:** • Typical minor cracks

These cracks should be repaired to avoid water damage, and further foundation damage.

Implication(s): Chance of water entering building

Location: Basement Task: Repair Monitor Time: Immediate

Condition: • Wood/soil contact

Some posts in the crawlspace of the restaurant have wood/soil contact. To prevent rot, ensure this issue is corrected in

the future.

Implication(s): Weakened structure

**Location**: Basement **Task**: Improve

Time: Less than 1 year

#### Electrical

#### SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Service box

Condition: • Unprotected openings

The electrical panels in the basement on the house side have openings which need to be covered. The fuse panel is also missing a cover. Protection from contact should be provided to avoid electric shock. Also, the two panels are fastened to a wall which has kicked out at the base. Future considerations should be made to amalgamate the two panels into one larger service box, and fastened to a secure location.

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Basement

Task: Repair
Time: Immediate

#### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Wiring - damaged or exposed**

**Condition:** • Exposed on walls or ceilings

The stove outlet in the house kitchen has exposed cables. Change the cable or provide protection from contact.

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Kitchen Task: Repair

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Time: Immediate

#### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)**

Condition: • Ungrounded

The two bedrooms on the south side of the house have ungrounded outlets, and one outlet in the restaurant next to the staff washroom.

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Various Task: Repair Time: Immediate

**Condition:** • <u>Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) needed</u> Provide GFCI / GFI protection to outlets near water.

Implication(s): Electric shock Location: Various First Floor

**Task**: Provide **Time**: Immediate

# Heating

#### **GAS FURNACE \ Combustion air**

**Condition:** • The combustion air for the furnace in the basement of the house is using indoor air. The furnace is located next to a natural draft gas water heater. This configuration could result in gases being circulated into the home. Have a licensed gas technician evaluate the install, and have proper repairs made.

**Implication(s)**: Gases entering the home

**Location**: Basement

Task: Repair Further evaluation

Time: Immediate

# **Plumbing**

#### **SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Supply piping in building**

Condition: • Galvanized steel

If reduced pressure is noticed on the house side serving the bathroom, it could be due to build up within the pipes.

Replacing this section of supply piping would resolve this problem.

Implication(s): Reduced water pressure and volume

Location: Basement Task: Monitor

Time: Ongoing

#### WATER HEATER - GAS BURNER AND VENTING \ Venting system

**Condition:** • Vent connector extends too far into chimney

Have the sizing / length of the vent verified prior to using. Also, consideration to upgrade this unit should be made. The water heater is old and not efficient.

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Implication(s): Equipment not operating properly | Hazardous combustion products entering home

Location: Basement / House side Task: Repair Replace Further evaluation

Time: Immediate

#### **WASTE PLUMBING \ Traps - installation**

**Condition:** • The trap serving the house kitchen sink is leaking. Repair immediately.

Implication(s): Water damage

Location: Basement

Task: Repair Time: Immediate

#### **WASTE PLUMBING \ Sump pump**

**Condition:** • Inoperative

The sump pump on the restaurant side is not operating. This is often the result of a damaged float switch. Consider changing the switch prior to replacing the entire pump.

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

**Location**: Crawl Space

Task: Repair Time: Immediate

#### **FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Toilet**

Condition: • Loose

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure | Sewage entering the building

Location: Bathroom

Task: Repair Time: Immediate

#### **GAS SUPPLY \ Gas piping**

Condition: • Teflon tape used on gas pipe threads. Have replaced with proper gas pipe sealant.

Implication(s): Possible Gas leaks

Location: Crawl Space

Task: Repair Time: Immediate

#### Interior

#### **General**

 Ensure you contact town hall to inquire about possible retrofits which may be required with new ownership of the property such as fire separations, Sprinkler systems, Fire doors, and accessibility upgrades such as ramps, door widths, door openers etc.

**Location**: Various Throughout

Task: Further evaluation Request disclosure

Time: Immediate

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#### **WINDOWS \ General**

Condition: • Original lower quality units

Consider upgrading these windows in the future to improve energy efficiency, comfort and reduce condensation and water damaged frames.

Implication(s): Increased heating costs | Increased maintenance costs

Location: First Floor Living Room Bedroom

Task: Replace
Time: Discretionary

#### WINDOWS \ Glass (glazing)

Condition: • Cracked

The glass is broken on this window. Sealed units can be replaced, there is no need to replace the entire window. Have this problem rectified to avoid possible water damage, personal injury, and heat loss.

Implication(s): Cosmetic defects | Physical injury

Location: Front First Floor

Task: Repair
Time: Immediate

# STAIRS \ Handrails

Condition: • Missing

The staircase leading to the basement on the house side should have a handrail installed.

Implication(s): Fall hazard Location: Basement Staircase

**Task**: Provide **Time**: Discretionary

This concludes the Summary section.

The remainder of the report describes each of the home's systems and also details any recommendations we have for improvements. Limitations that restricted our inspection are included as well.

The suggested time frames for completing recommendations are based on the limited information available during a pre-purchase home inspection. These may have to be adjusted based on the findings of specialists.

Home Improvement - ballpark costs

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# Description

#### Sloped roofing material:

Asphalt shingles

The approximate age of the shingles are 10 yrs old, and appear to be in good condition.



1. Asphalt shingles

2. Asphalt shingles

#### Limitations

Roof inspection limited/prevented by: • Snow/ice/frost

Inspection performed: • By walking on roof • From roof edge

# Recommendations

#### **SLOPED ROOFING \ Asphalt shingles**

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Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

Location: First Floor Kitchen Task: Repair Further evaluation

Time: Immediate

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# Description

Gutter & downspout material: • Aluminum • Plastic

Gutter & downspout discharge: • Above grade

Lot slope: • Unable to determine Wall surfaces: • Wood Siding Wall surfaces: • Vinyl siding

Soffit and fascia: • Wood • Aluminum

**Driveway:** • Unable to determine

Walkway: • Concrete

**Deck:** • Pressure-treated wood

Exterior steps: • Concrete • Pressure-treated wood

Garage: • Detached

#### Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Snow Exterior inspected from: • Ground level

#### Recommendations

#### **ROOF DRAINAGE \ Gutters**

2. Condition: • Loose or damaged

The gutter is loose and should be re fastened properly to ensure good roof drainage.

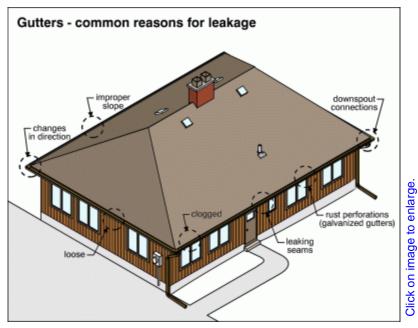
Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

Location: Exterior Task: Repair Time: Immediate

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4. Loose or damaged

#### WALLS \ Soffits and fascia

#### 3. Condition: • Paint or stain needed

Some areas of the wood soffit require some maintenance painting to prevent wood rot. Repair areas as needed. Implication(s): Cosmetic defects | Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure | Shortened life expectancy of material

Location: Various Exterior

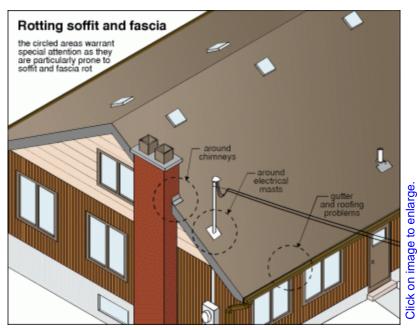
Task: Repair

Time: Regular maintenance

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5. Paint or stain needed

#### WALLS \ Wood siding

4. Condition: • Stained

Some areas of the wood siding are discolored. To maintain functionality and appearance, regular maintenance id required on wood siding.

Implication(s): Cosmetic defects Location: Front Exterior Wall

Task: Improve Time: Discretionary

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6. Stained

7. Stained

#### **EXTERIOR GLASS \ Frames**

5. Condition: • Paint or stain needed

The exterior frames of some windows require paint to prevent rot, and / or water damage to the interior of the property. Consider future upgrades to these windows.

Implication(s): Material deterioration

Location: Front Task: Improve Time: Immediate



8. Paint or stain needed

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#### **DOORS \ General**

6. Condition: • The entry door to the "center" portion of the building (Not restaurant entrance / Not House en trance) is difficult to open / close. Consider making adjustments to the door to ensure proper closing and easy exit.

**Implication(s)**: Door left partially open, difficult to exit in case of emergency

Location: Front First Floor

Task: Improve Time: Discretionary



9. Adjust Door

#### PORCHES, DECKS, STEPS, PATIOS AND BALCONIES \ Columns

7. Condition: • Paint Required. Ensure continued maintenance painting to the exterior columns to prevent rot. Replacing these in the future could be costly. The columns are in good condition presently, but do require paint.

Location: Front Exterior

Task: Improve Time: Discretionary

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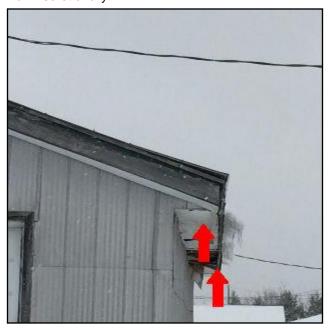


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#### **GARAGE \ General**

8. Condition: • The interior of the garage / storage shed was unable to be inspected due to no access. The soffit was noted to being damaged and will require repairs in the spring.

Location: Garage Task: Repair Time: Discretionary



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Description

Configuration: • Basement • Crawl space

Foundation material: • Poured concrete • Masonry block • Wood

Floor construction: • Joists

Exterior wall construction: • Wood frame Roof and ceiling framing: • Rafters/roof joists

## Recommendations

#### **FOUNDATIONS \ Foundation**

9. Condition: • Settled

Structural movement has occurred in this areas due to a failure in the supporting wall below. Repairs are required in this area with a combination of posts and beams, or by other means recommended by a professional.

Implication(s): Chance of structural movement

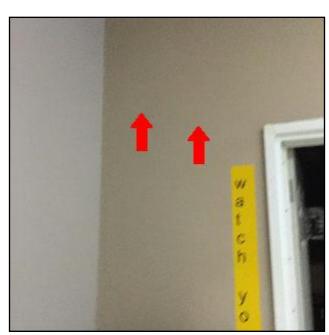
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13. Settled



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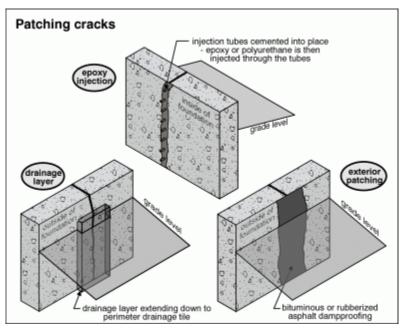
15. Settled

#### 10. Condition: • Typical minor cracks

These cracks should be repaired to avoid water damage, and further foundation damage.

Implication(s): Chance of water entering building

Location: Basement Task: Repair Monitor Time: Immediate



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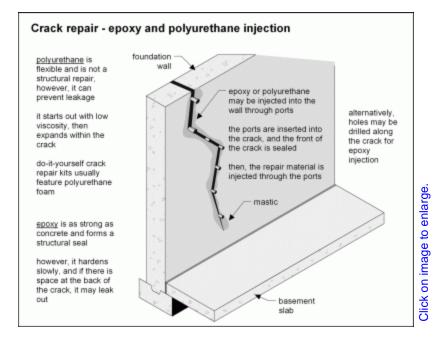
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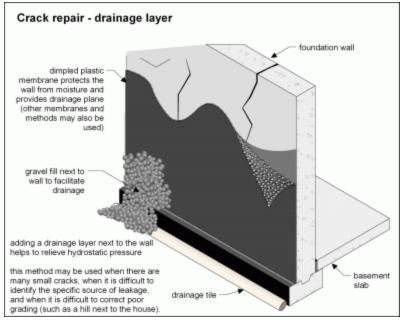
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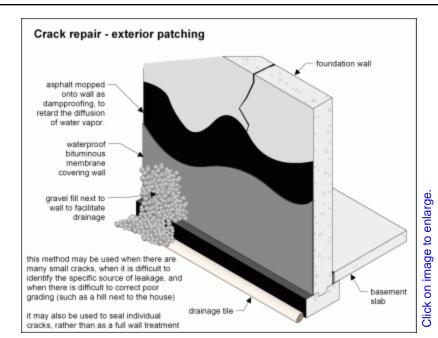


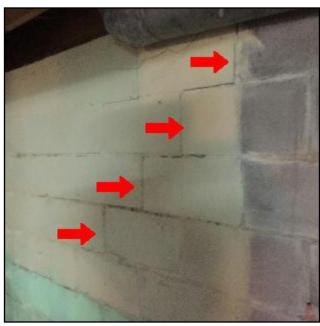


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16. Typical minor cracks

#### 11. Condition: • Wood/soil contact

Some posts in the crawlspace of the restaurant have wood/soil contact. To prevent rot, ensure this issue is corrected in the future.

Implication(s): Weakened structure

Location: Basement Task: Improve

Time: Less than 1 year

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# Description

Service entrance cable and location: • Overhead

**Service size:** • 100 Amps (240 Volts) • 200 Amps (240 Volts) Main disconnect/service box rating: • 100 Amps • 200 Amps

Main disconnect/service box type and location: • Breakers - basement • Breakers - first floor • Fuses - basement

System grounding material and type: • Copper - water pipe

Distribution wire material and type: • Copper - non-metallic sheathed • Copper - metallic sheathed

Type and number of outlets (receptacles): • Grounded - typical • Ungrounded - minimal

Smoke detectors: • Present

Carbon monoxide (CO) detectors: • None noted

#### Limitations

System ground: • Continuity not verified • Quality of ground not determined

# Recommendations

#### **SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Service box**

12. Condition: • Unprotected openings

The electrical panels in the basement on the house side have openings which need to be covered. The fuse panel is also missing a cover. Protection from contact should be provided to avoid electric shock. Also, the two panels are fastened to a wall which has kicked out at the base. Future considerations should be made to amalgamate the two panels into one larger service box, and fastened to a secure location.

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Basement

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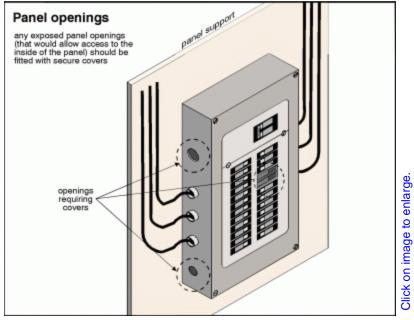
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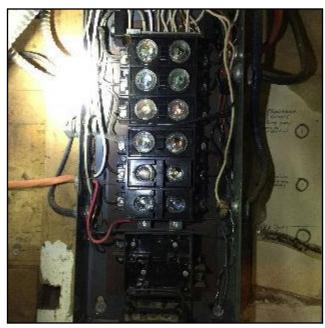
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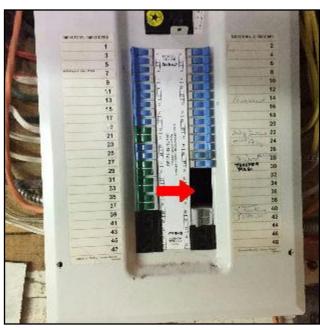
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18. Unprotected openings



19. Unprotected openings

#### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Wiring - damaged or exposed**

13. Condition: • Exposed on walls or ceilings

The stove outlet in the house kitchen has exposed cables. Change the cable or provide protection from contact.

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Kitchen Task: Repair Time: Immediate

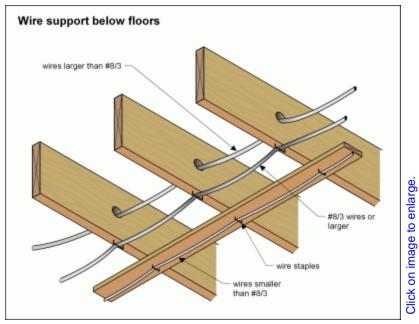
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20. Exposed on walls or ceilings

#### **DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)**

#### 14. Condition: • Ungrounded

The two bedrooms on the south side of the house have ungrounded outlets, and one outlet in the restaurant next to the staff washroom.

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Various Task: Repair Time: Immediate

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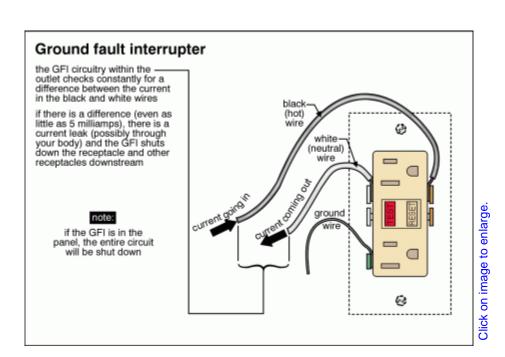


21. Ungrounded

**15. Condition:** • Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) needed Provide GFCI / GFI protection to outlets near water.

Implication(s): Electric shock Location: Various First Floor

**Task**: Provide **Time**: Immediate



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22. Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) needed



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24. Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) needed

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# Description

Fuel/energy source: • Gas

System type: • Furnace

Heat distribution: • Ducts and registers

Approximate capacity: • 100,000 BTU/hr • 90,000 BTU/hr

Efficiency: • Conventional • High-efficiency

Exhaust venting method: • Direct vent • Natural draft

Approximate age: • 13 years • 15 years

Main fuel shut off at: • Utility room Chimney/vent: • Metal • PVC plastic

Chimney liner: • Not visible

Combustion air source: • Interior of building

Mechanical ventilation system for home: • Kitchen exhaust fan • Bathroom exhaust fan

#### Limitations

Safety devices: • Not tested as part of a building inspection

Heat loss calculations: • Not done as part of a building inspection

Heat exchanger: • Not visible

#### Recommendations

#### **General**

16. • There is an HVAC unit located on the exterior of the building. The unit is not connected or powered. Inspection could not be performs on the functioning of this item.

Location: Exterior

Task: For Your Information

#### **GAS FURNACE \ Combustion air**

17. Condition: • The combustion air for the furnace in the basement of the house is using indoor air. The furnace is located next to a natural draft gas water heater. This configuration could result in gases being circulated into the home. Have a licensed gas technician evaluate the install, and have proper repairs made.

**Implication(s)**: Gases entering the home

Location: Basement

Task: Repair Further evaluation

Time: Immediate

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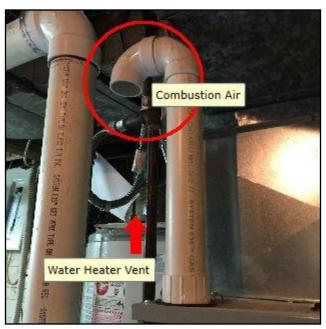
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#### **General**

**18.** • Weather conditions prevent the inspection of any A/C units.

# **INSULATION AND VENTILATION**

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# Description

Attic/roof insulation material: • Glass fiber • Plastic/foam board

Attic/roof ventilation: • Roof vent • Gable vent
Attic/roof air/vapor barrier: • Not determined

 $\textbf{Crawlspace ventilation: } \bullet \underline{\textbf{Into basement}}$ 

# Recommendations

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview**

**19. Condition:** • No insulation recommendations are offered as a result of this inspection.

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# **Description**

Water supply source: • Public

Service piping into building: • Copper

Supply piping in building: • Copper • Galvanized steel

Main water shut off valve at the: • Basement • Crawlspace

Water heater fuel/energy source: • Gas

Water heater type: • Conventional

Water heater exhaust venting method: • Natural draft • Induced draft

Tank capacity: • 40 gallons • 50 gallons

Water heater approximate age: • 4 years • 14 years

Waste piping in building: • ABS plastic

Pumps: • Sump pump Gas piping: • Steel

#### Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Water supply turned off

Items excluded from a building inspection: • Water quality • Septic system • Isolating/relief valves & main shutoff valve • Concealed plumbing • Tub/sink overflows • Water treatment equipment • Water heater relief valves are not tested • The performance of floor drains or clothes washing machine drains

#### Recommendations

#### **SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Supply piping in building**

20. Condition: • Galvanized steel

If reduced pressure is noticed on the house side serving the bathroom, it could be due to build up within the pipes. Replacing this section of supply piping would resolve this problem.

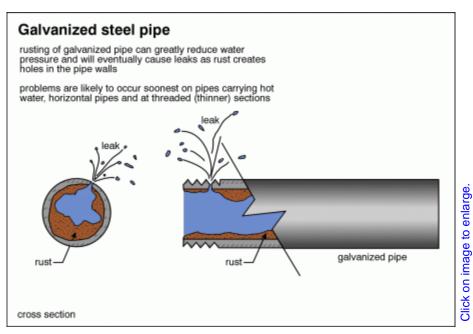
Implication(s): Reduced water pressure and volume

Location: Basement

Task: Monitor Time: Ongoing

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26. Galvanized steel

#### WATER HEATER - GAS BURNER AND VENTING \ Venting system

21. Condition: • Vent connector extends too far into chimney

Have the sizing / length of the vent verified prior to using. Also, consideration to upgrade this unit should be made. The water heater is old and not efficient.

Implication(s): Equipment not operating properly | Hazardous combustion products entering home

Location: Basement / House side

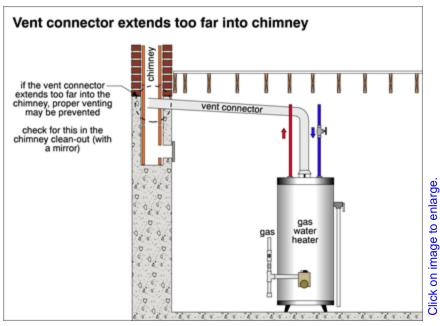
Task: Repair Replace Further evaluation

Time: Immediate

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27. Vent connector extends too far into chimney



28. Vent connector extends too far into chimney

#### **WASTE PLUMBING \ Traps - installation**

**22. Condition:** • The trap serving the house kitchen sink is leaking. Repair immediately.

Implication(s): Water damage

Location: Basement

Task: Repair Time: Immediate

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29. Leak

#### **WASTE PLUMBING \ Sump pump**

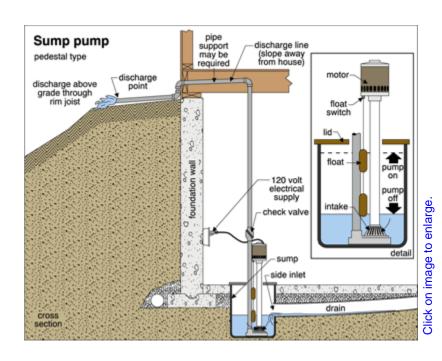
23. Condition: • Inoperative

The sump pump on the restaurant side is not operating. This is often the result of a damaged float switch. Consider changing the switch prior to replacing the entire pump.

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

Location: Crawl Space

Task: Repair Time: Immediate



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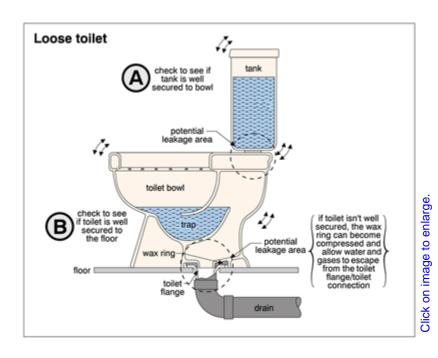
#### **FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Toilet**

24. Condition: • Loose

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure | Sewage entering the building

Location: Bathroom

Task: Repair Time: Immediate



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31. Loose

32. Loose

#### **GAS SUPPLY \ Gas piping**

25. Condition: • Teflon tape used on gas pipe threads. Have replaced with proper gas pipe sealant.

Implication(s): Possible Gas leaks

Location: Crawl Space

Task: Repair Time: Immediate



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# **Description**

Major floor finishes: • Carpet • Hardwood • Ceramic

Major wall finishes: • Plaster/drywall • Paneling

Windows: • Fixed • Single/double hung • Sliders • Wood • Vinyl • Aluminum

Glazing: • Single • Double

Exterior doors - type/material: • Hinged

Evidence of basement leakage:

Dampness



34. Dampness

Mold

Kitchen ventilation: • Exhaust fan • Discharges to exterior

#### Limitations

Not included as part of a building inspection: • Carbon monoxide detectors, security systems, central vacuum • Cosmetic issues • Appliances • Perimeter drainage tile around foundation, if any

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26. • Ensure you contact town hall to inquire about possible retrofits which may be required with new ownership of the property such as fire separations, Sprinkler systems, Fire doors, and accessibility upgrades such as ramps, door widths, door openers etc.

**Location**: Various Throughout

Task: Further evaluation Request disclosure

Time: Immediate

#### WINDOWS \ General

27. Condition: • Original lower quality units

Consider upgrading these windows in the future to improve energy efficiency, comfort and reduce condensation and water damaged frames.

Implication(s): Increased heating costs | Increased maintenance costs

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Location: First Floor Living Room Bedroom

Task: Replace Time: Discretionary



35. Original lower quality units

#### WINDOWS \ Glass (glazing)

28. Condition: • Cracked

The glass is broken on this window. Sealed units can be replaced, there is no need to replace the entire window. Have this problem rectified to avoid possible water damage, personal injury, and heat loss.

Implication(s): Cosmetic defects | Physical injury

Location: Front First Floor

Task: Repair Time: Immediate

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36. Cracked

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#### **STAIRS \ Handrails**

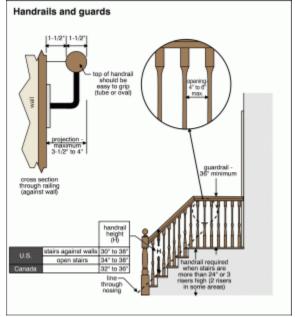
29. Condition: • Missing

The staircase leading to the basement on the house side should have a handrail installed.

Implication(s): Fall hazard Location: Basement Staircase

Task: Provide

Time: Discretionary



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