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FOR THE PROPERTY AT:
688 Beresford Avenue
Toronto, ON M6S 3C5

PREPARED FOR:
GILLIAN RITCHIE

INSPECTION DATE:
Thursday, January 28, 2021

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Dear Gillian Ritchie,

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This Summary outlines some of the potentially short-term significant issues from a cost standpoint. This section is provided as a COURTESY ONLY and cannot be considered a substitute for reading the entire report. Please read the complete document.

It is not possible for a home inspector to predict the future. It would be advisable to annually budget between 0.5% to 1% of the value of the home for unforeseen repairs and maintenance. This would hold true for any house that you were considering.

Things will wear out, break down, and fail without warning. This is a fact of home ownership.

We adhere to the CAHPI Standards of Practice which can be viewed here:

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NOTE: ALL ELECTRICAL ISSUES ARE CONSIDERED PRIORITY ITEMS

NOTE: FOR BALLPARK COSTS THE TERM 'MINOR' REFERS TO COSTS UNDER \$500

NOTE: FOR DIRECTIONAL PURPOSES USED THROUGHOUT THE REPORT, THE "FRONT" OF THE HOUSE IS REFERENCED AS FACING THE FRONT DOOR FROM THE EXTERIOR.

During a home inspection we inspect all visible systems and components. There are literally hundreds of potential minor issues found in every home, new and old. The inspection is not a technical audit on every minor flaw or deficiency. A technical audit can be performed at an additional cost. The focus of this inspection was to identify MAJOR issues with major systems and components. To simplify and give you a better understanding of what is considered a major issue, the inspection can generally be categorized as follows:

- 1)OBSERVABLE STRUCTURAL DEFECTS
- 2)OBSERVABLE WATER LEAKAGE/DAMAGE Roof, Plumbing, and basement moisture intrusion.
- 3)OBSERVABLE ELECTRICAL DEFECTS
- 4)LIFESPAN SYSTEMS- Roof Covering, Heating System, Cooling System, Windows

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Electrical

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • Knob and Tube wiring was noted.
See detailed note in Electrical section of report.

Plumbing

WATER HEATER \ Life expectancy

Condition: • [Near end of life expectancy](#)
Typical life expectancy is 10-15 years. The current unit is 15 years old
Location: Basement Furnace Room
Task: Replace
Time: Less than 2 years
Cost: Rental?

Interior

WINDOWS \ General notes

Condition: • Aging
Varying ages and styles of windows noted throughout. There is a mix of single hung and slider windows. Upgrade any older windows as needed. We typically recommend immediate replacement only if window leakage or damage is noted
Location: Various
Task: Upgrade
Time: Discretionary
Cost: Consult with specialist

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.

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Descriptions

General: • Newer premium roof coverings

Sloped roofing material: • [Asphalt shingles](#)

Approximate age:

• 2 years

2019 as reported by seller

Typical life expectancy: • 20-25 years

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • General Recommendation for all homes - Strip Roof Covering when replacing. When replacing a roof covering, it is common to apply a second layer over the first to minimize costs. Best practice however, is to remove the old roof covering before installing the new roof. Adding a third layer of roofing is not recommended. It is common when re-roofing to find concealed damage to roofing boards, these and other hidden components. There is no practical way to predict the presence or extent of the damage.

RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview

Condition: • Snow on roof limited/restricted inspection. Inspect roof in the Spring when the snow has melted.

Location: Roof and garage roof

Inspection Methods and Limitations

General: • Most roofs are susceptible to ice damming under the right weather conditions. This is where ice forms at the lower edge of a sloped roof, causing melting water from above to back up under the shingles. We cannot predict which roofs will suffer the most damage under adverse weather

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

Inspection performed: • With binoculars from the ground

Age determined by: • Reported by seller

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Gutter & downspout material: • [Aluminum](#)

Gutter & downspout discharge: • [Above grade](#)

Lot slope: • [Away from building](#) • [Flat](#)

Wall surfaces - masonry: • [Brick](#)

Garage: • Detached

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • All Exterior issues have POTENTIAL worst-case implications such as damage to contents, structure and/or finishes, and personal safety.

ROOF DRAINAGE \ Downspouts

Condition: • [Connections loose](#)

Location: Various Exterior

Task: Improve connections and secure

Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Minor



1. Connections loose



2. Connections loose

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3. not secured to wall

WALLS \ Masonry (brick, stone) and concrete

Condition: • [Spalling](#)

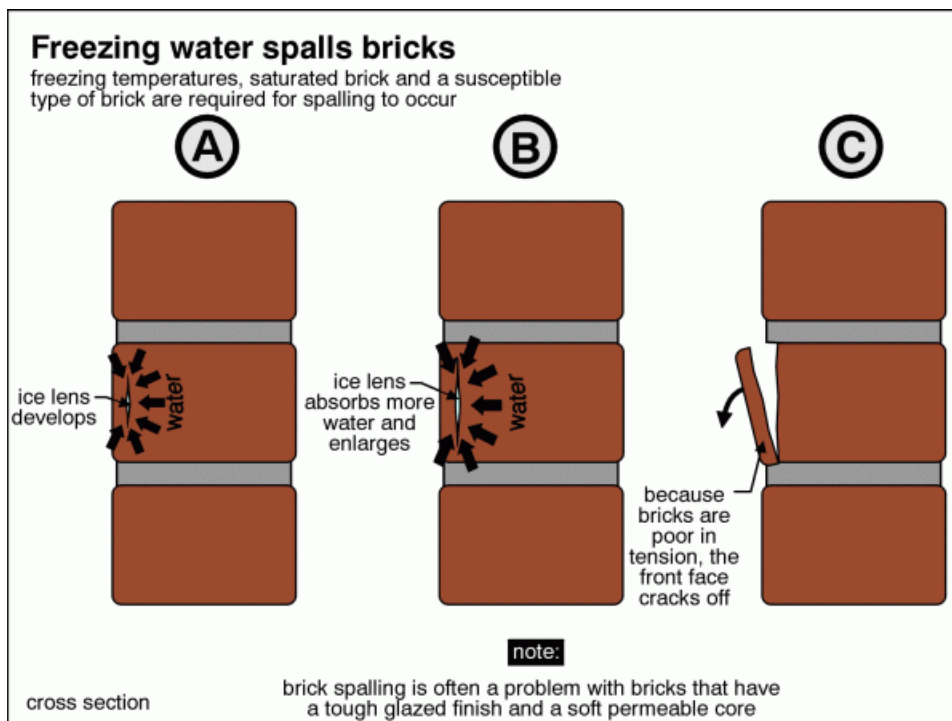
Spalling at various areas. Repair / Replace / Tuck point masonry and mortar. Most homes of this age will require routine masonry repairs. Photos show a sampling.

Location: Front Exterior Wall

Task: Repair

Time: Less than 2 years

Cost: Regular maintenance item



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4. Spalling

Condition: • [Mortar deterioration](#)

Provide mortar (Repointing, Tuck pointing) at various areas of the exterior brick and sills. This is routine maintenance for homes of this age. photo shows one example

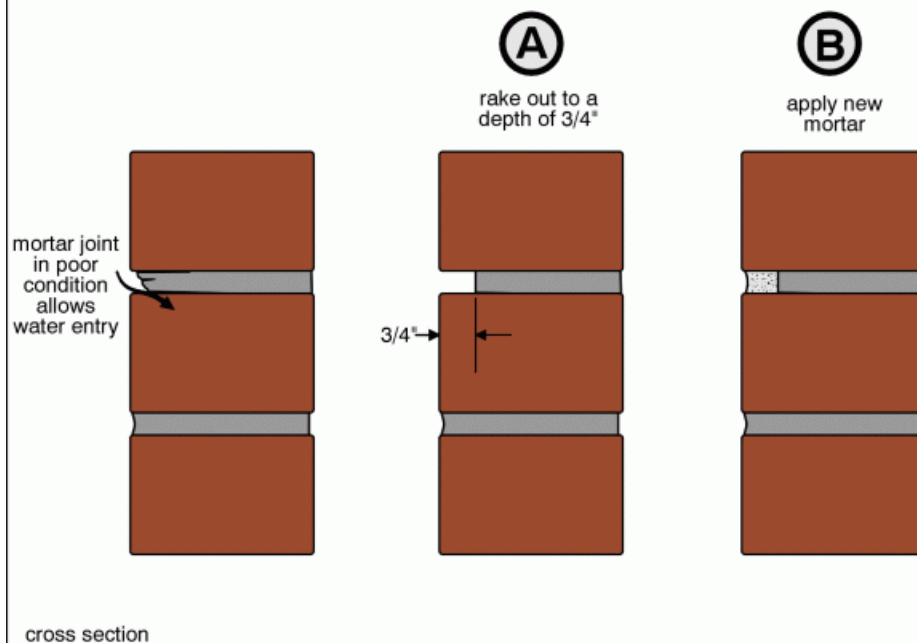
Location: Various Exterior Wall and sills

Task: Improve

Time: Regular maintenance

Cost: Regular maintenance item

Repointing



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5. example

Condition: • Most masonry walls have small cracks due to shrinkage or minor settlement. These will not be individually noted in the report, unless leakage, building movement or similar problems are noted

EXTERIOR GLASS/WINDOWS \ Exterior trim

Condition: • [Paint or stain needed](#)

Location: Exterior window trims/frames

Task: Improve

Time: Regular maintenance



6. example

PORCHES, DECKS, STAIRS, PATIOS AND BALCONIES \ Handrails and guards

Condition: • [Too low](#)

Below modern standards

Location: Front Exterior Porch and staircase

Task: Upgrade

Time: Less than 1 year

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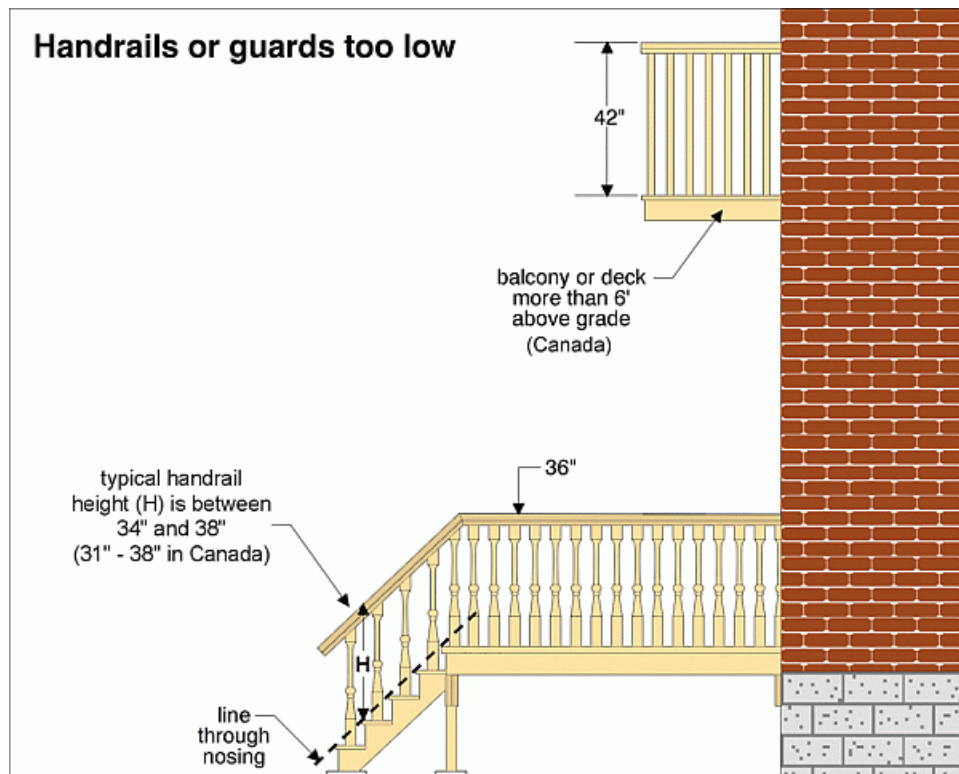
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Handrails or guards too low



BASEMENT WALKOUTS \ General notes

Condition: • [Guard and handrail problems](#)

Location: Rear Exterior

Task: Provide handrail at stairs and guardrail around walkout

Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Minor

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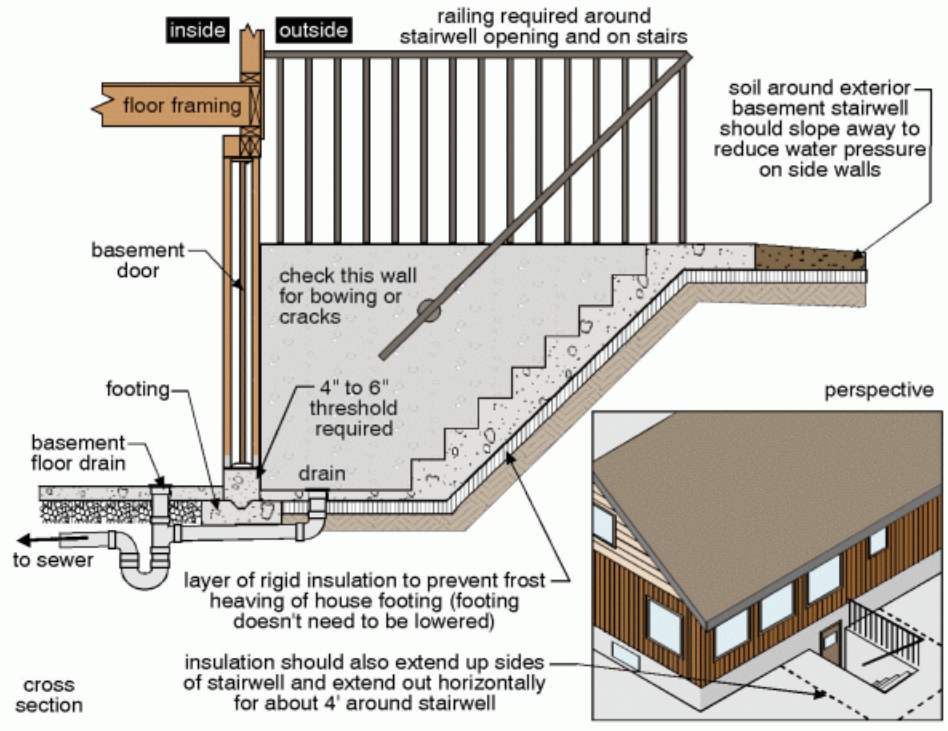
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Insulated exterior basement stairwell



7. Guard and handrail problems

Condition: • [Door threshold missing, too low, not watertight](#)

Step up into house is less than 6 inches.

Location: Rear Exterior

Task: Monitor / Improve

Time: As Needed

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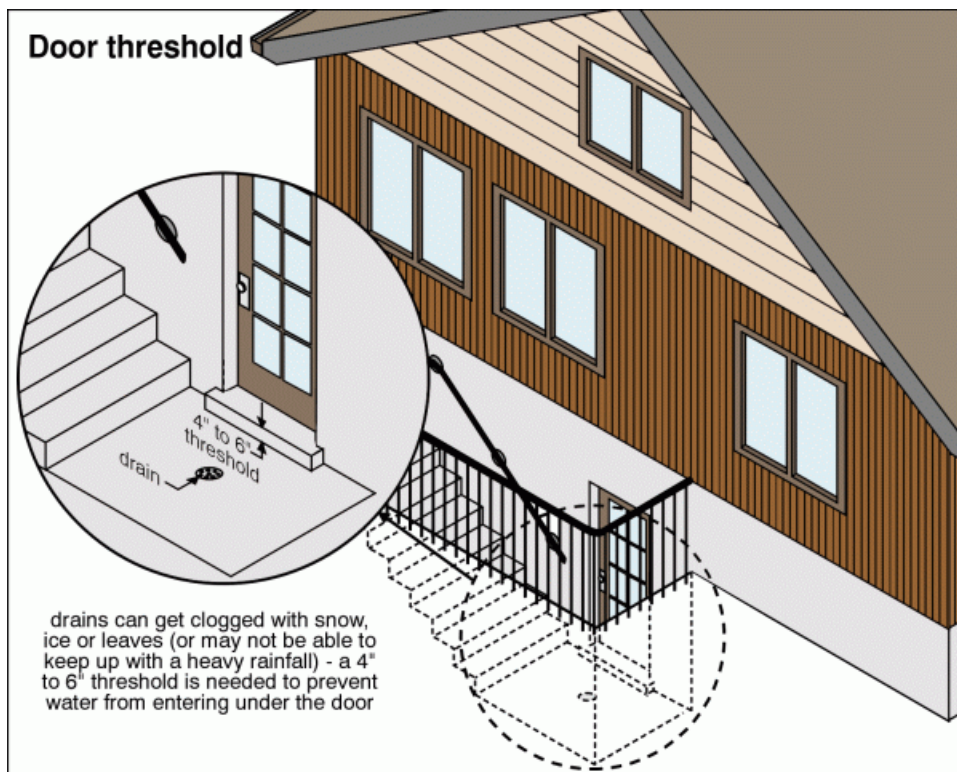
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8. Door threshold missing, too low, not...

LANDSCAPING \ Lot grading

Condition: • During rainfall, walk the exterior to view if any water is draining towards the home. Improve these areas as needed

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Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Storage in garage • Snow / ice / frost

Upper floors inspected from: • Ground level

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Descriptions

General: • The solid masonry walls and foundations that are visible are in good condition overall.

Configuration: • [Basement](#)

Foundation material: • [Masonry block](#)

Floor construction: • [Joists](#)

Exterior wall construction: • [Masonry](#)

Roof and ceiling framing: • Rafters

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • All Structure issues have POTENTIAL worst-case implications such as damage to contents, structure and/or finishes, and personal safety.

FOUNDATIONS \ General notes

Condition: • [Typical minor settlement](#)

Location: Various

FLOORS \ Joists

Condition: • [Poor end bearing, joist hanger connections](#)

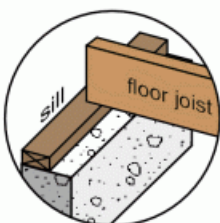
Location: Basement Furnace Room

Task: Provide joist hanger

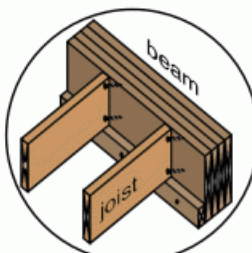
Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Less than \$100

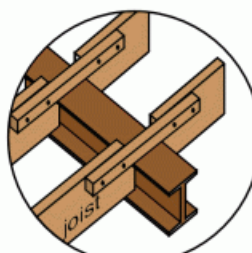
Different types of joist end support



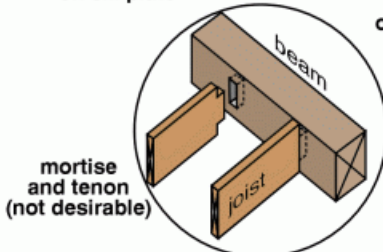
on sill plate



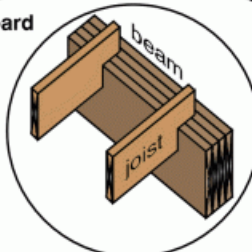
on ledger board



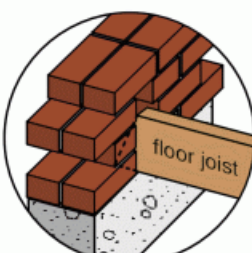
on bottom beam flange



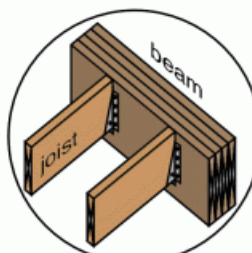
mortise and tenon (not desirable)



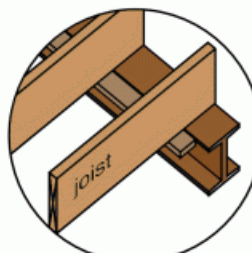
notched and resting on beam (not desirable)



embedded in masonry wall



on side of beam with joist hangers



on top of beam



9. joist above boiler

WALLS \ Solid masonry walls

Condition: • [Prior repairs](#)

It is common to find a multitude of wall repairs on homes of this age. Photos show sampling

Location: Various Exterior Wall

Task: For Your Information / Monitor

Time: Ongoing



10. example



11. example

Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Finishes, insulation, furnishings and storage conceal structural components.

Attic/roof space: • Inspected from access hatch

Percent of foundation not visible: • 90 %

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General: • ALL ELECTRICAL CONDITIONS ARE CONSIDERED PRIORITY ITEMS

Service entrance cable and location: • [Overhead - cable type not determined](#)

Service size: • [100 Amps \(240 Volts\)](#)

Main disconnect/service box type and location: • [Breakers - basement](#)

System grounding material and type: • [Copper - water pipe](#)

Distribution panel type and location: • [Breakers - basement](#)

Distribution panel rating: • [125 Amps](#)

Distribution wire (conductor) material and type: • [Copper - non-metallic sheathed](#) • [Copper - knob and tube](#)

Type and number of outlets (receptacles): • [Grounded and ungrounded - typical](#)

Circuit interrupters: Ground Fault (GFCI) & Arc Fault (AFCI): • GFCIs present

Smoke alarms (detectors): • Provide New

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • All electrical recommendations are safety issues. POTENTIAL worst-case implications are fire and shock hazards. Treat them as high priority items, and consider the time frame as Immediate, unless otherwise noted.

Condition: • Knob and Tube wiring was noted.
See detailed note in Electrical section of report.

SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Distribution panel

Condition: • [Openings in panel](#)

Location: Basement Panel

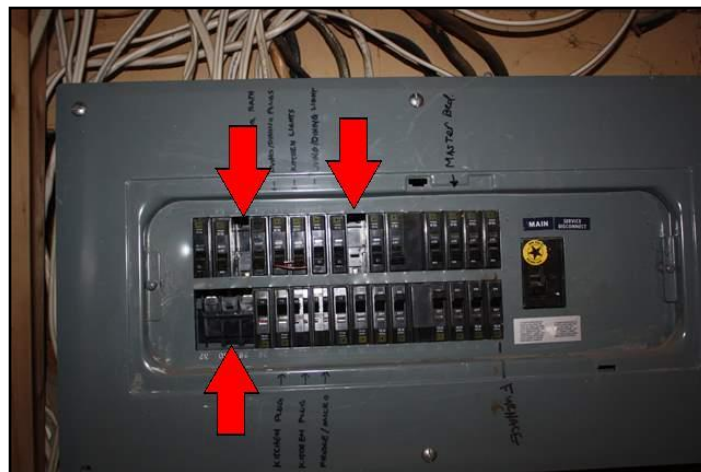
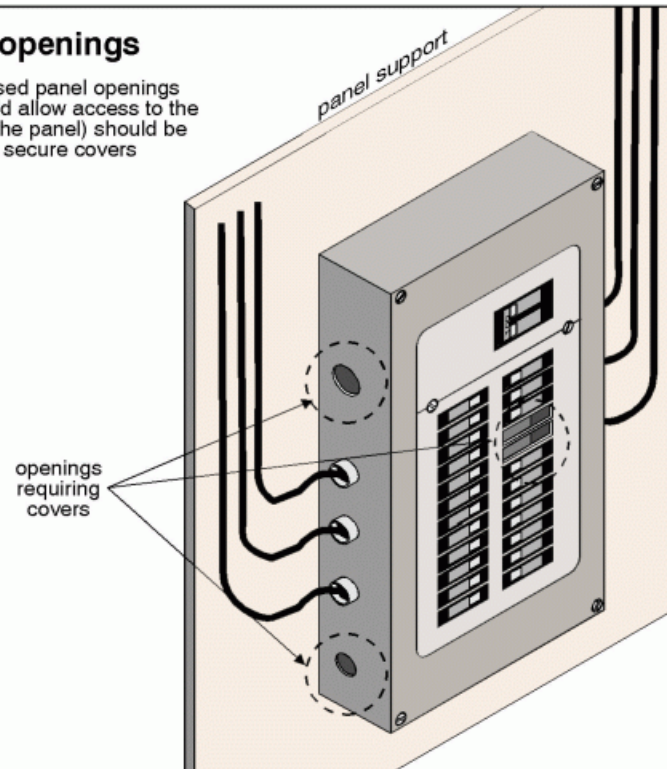
Task: Protect

Time: Immediate

Cost: Minor

Panel openings

any exposed panel openings (that would allow access to the inside of the panel) should be fitted with secure covers



12. Openings in panel

SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Distribution fuses/breakers

Condition: • [Double taps](#)

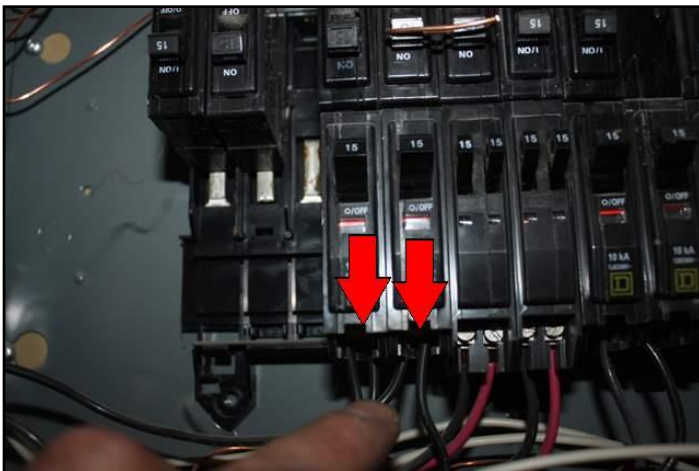
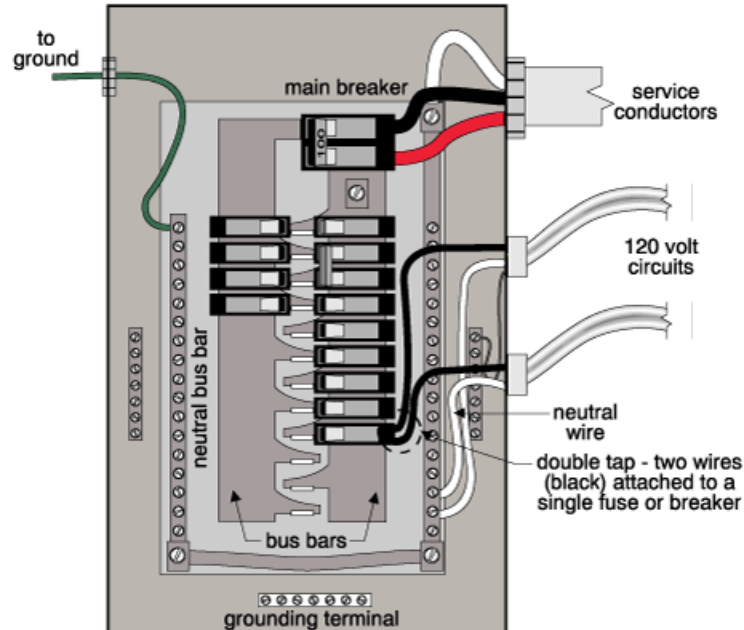
Location: Basement Panel

Task: Correct

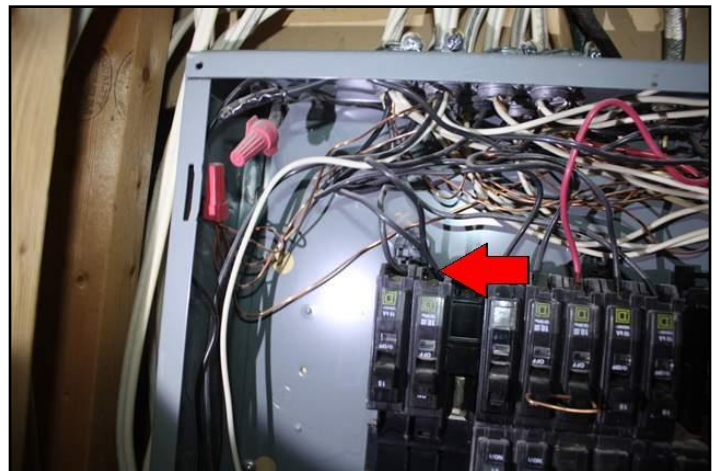
Time: Immediate

Cost: Minor

Double tapping (double lugging)



13. Double taps



14. Double taps

Condition: • [Breaker bridge missing](#)

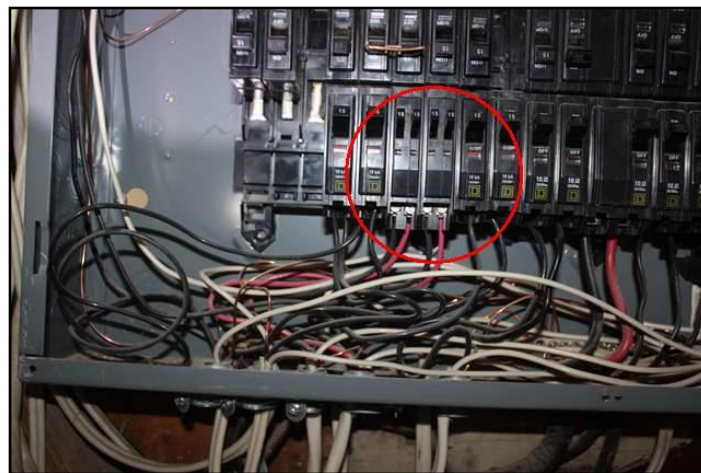
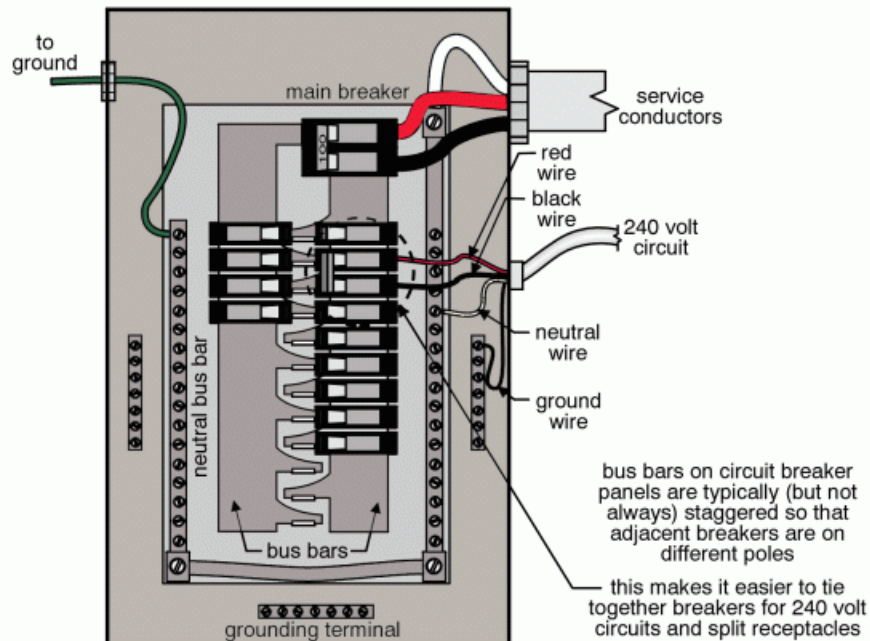
Location: Basement Panel

Task: Correct

Time: Immediate

Cost: Minor

Staggered bus bars on circuit breaker panels



15. Breaker bridge missing

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Knob-and-tube wiring

Condition: • Minor amount of Knob and Tube wiring live/active/in-use.

We noted three distribution lines of knob and tube wiring in the panel. These are likely distribution lines to various outlets/switches in the home. Knob and tube wiring was installed pre-1950 in all homes. The MAJORITY of wiring we observed at the panels contained modern updated wiring. Most of the wiring in the home is behind walls and ceilings and not observed.

The ESA authority does not consider this wiring unsafe if found in good condition, however, some insurers require this wiring be upgraded. Consult with your insurance company for their requirements and/or acceptable limits. You may also contact David Slack Insurers regarding homes with knob and tube wiring. In various cases, they will insure if found in

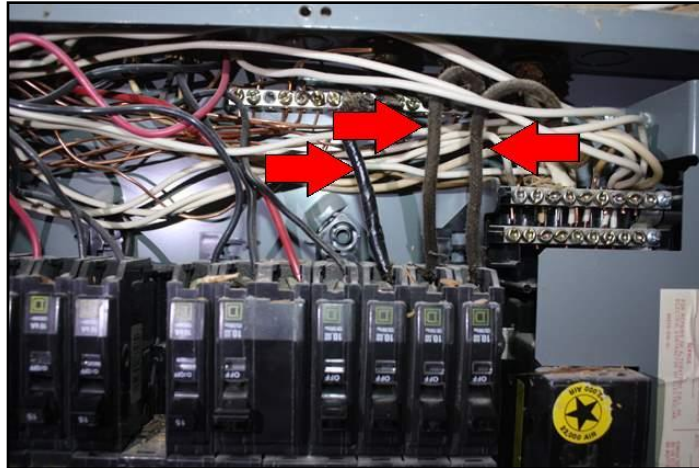
good condition. Please contact David Slack for details (800) 971-1363

Location: Various

Task: Consult with your insurer and upgrade areas as required

Time: immediate

Cost: Highly variable - typically \$500-\$1500 per room



16. Minor amount of Knob and Tube wiring...

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Wiring - installation

Condition: • [Abandoned wire](#)

Location: Garage

Task: Remove or Provide Junction box

Time: Immediate

Cost: Minor



17. Abandoned wire

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)

Condition: • [Ungrounded](#)

We noted a few ungrounded outlets including one 2-prong outlet. This is typical with homes of this era. For purposes of occupant safety, it is recommended to upgrade ungrounded circuits with GFCI protection. For usage with electronic

equipment such as computers, true grounding is recommended. Also, we recommend that you consult with your insurance company for their requirements.

Location: Various First Floor

Task: Upgrade

Time: As Soon As Possible

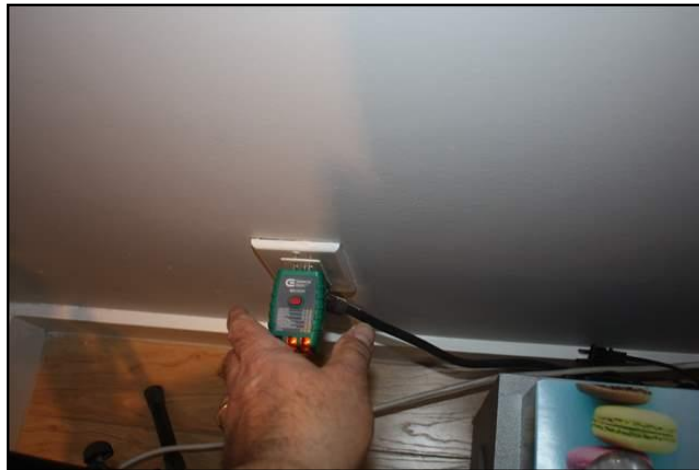
Condition: • [Loose](#)

Location: Basement

Task: Correct

Time: Prior to first use

Cost: Regular maintenance item



18. Loose

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Cover plates

Condition: • For outlet (receptacle) is damaged

Location: Garage

Task: Replace

Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Less than \$100



19. For outlet (receptacle) is damaged

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DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Smoke alarms (detectors)

Condition: • Smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors should be provided at every floor level of every home. Smoke detectors should be close to sleeping areas, and carbon monoxide detectors should be in any room with a wood-burning stove or fireplace. These devices are not tested as part of a home inspection. Once you take possession of the home, detectors should be tested regularly, and replaced every 10 years. If unsure of the age of a smoke detector, it should be replaced. Smoke detector batteries should be replaced annually.

Inspection Methods and Limitations

System ground: • Quality of ground not determined

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System type: • [Boiler](#)

Fuel/energy source: • [Gas](#)

Heat distribution: • [Radiators](#)

Approximate capacity: • [75,000 BTU/hr](#)

Efficiency: • [Conventional](#)

Approximate age: • [13 years](#)

Typical life expectancy: • Boiler (cast-iron) 20 to 35 years

Fireplace/stove: • None

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview

Condition: • No heating recommendations are offered as a result of this inspection.

Inspection Methods and 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

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Air conditioning type: • None present

Inspection Methods and Limitations

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

Window unit: • Window A/C excluded from inspection

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Attic/roof insulation material: • [Glass fiber](#)

Attic/roof insulation amount/value: • [R-32](#)

Attic/roof air/vapor barrier: • [Not visible](#) • Spot Checked Only

Attic/roof ventilation: • [Roof and soffit vents](#) • [Gable vent](#)

Observations and Recommendations

ATTIC/ROOF \ Insulation

Condition: • [Amount less than current standards](#)

Below current standards of R-50/R-60 (as of 2012).

Location: Throughout Attic

Task: Upgrade

Time: Discretionary



20. Amount less than current standards

ATTIC/ROOF \ Hatch/Door

Condition: • [Not insulated and not weatherstripped](#)

Location: Attic

Task: Improve

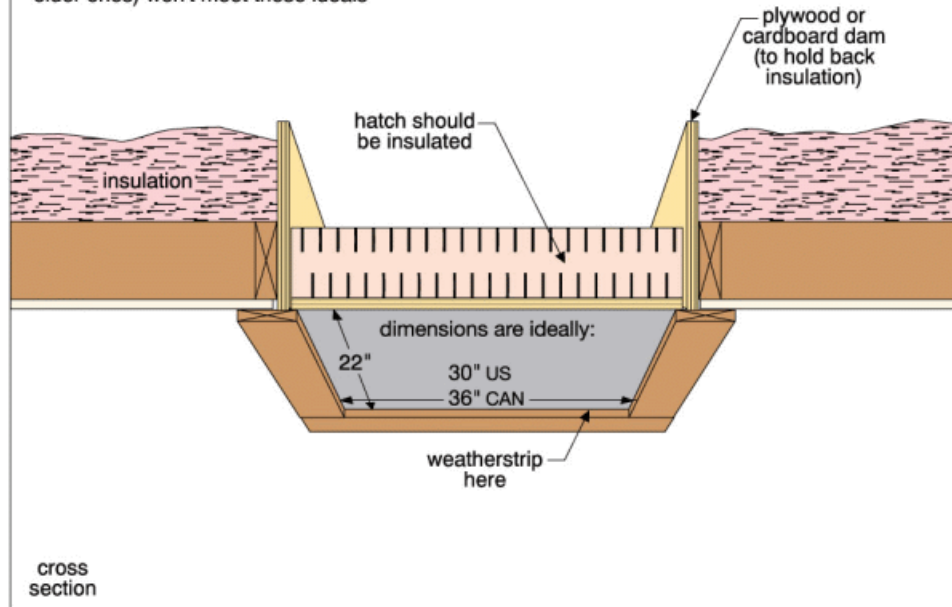
Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Minor

Attic access hatch

the illustration shows a good attic access hatch design

hatches in many houses (especially older ones) won't meet these ideals



Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by lack of access to: • Walls, which were spot checked only

Attic inspection performed: • From access hatch

Roof ventilation system performance: • Not evaluated

Air/vapor barrier system: • Continuity not verified

Descriptions

Service piping into building: • [Copper](#)

Supply piping in building: • [Copper](#)

Main water shut off valve at the:

- Basement



21. Basement

Water flow and pressure: • [Functional](#) • [Typical for neighborhood](#)

Water heater type: • [Conventional](#)

Water heater fuel/energy source: • [Gas](#)

Water heater tank capacity: • [40 gallons](#)

Water heater approximate age: • 15 years

Water heater typical life expectancy: • 10 to 15 years

Waste and vent piping in building: • [Plastic](#)

Floor drain location: • Furnace Room

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • All Plumbing issues have POTENTIAL worst-case implications of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure.

SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Water supply piping in building

Condition: • [Poor pressure or flow](#)

cold water pressure at basement bathroom basin was low.

Location: Basement Bathroom

Task: Improve

Time: As Needed



22. Poor pressure or flow

WATER HEATER \ Life expectancy

Condition: • [Near end of life expectancy](#)

Typical life expectancy is 10-15 years. The current unit is 15 years old

Location: Basement Furnace Room

Task: Replace

Time: Less than 2 years

Cost: Rental?

WASTE PLUMBING \ Drain piping - performance

Condition: • Sewer backup insurance is recommended for ALL homes

Sewer backup can happen to any home. There are many potential causes and it is prudent for homeowners to have coverage for this.

Condition: • A videoscan of the waste plumbing is recommended to determine whether there are tree roots or other obstructions, and to look for damaged or collapsed pipe. This is common on older properties, especially where there are mature trees nearby. This is a great precautionary measure, although many homeowners wait until there are problems with the drains. The cost may be roughly \$200 to \$400.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATION FOR ALL HOMES BUILT PRIOR TO 1970

FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Bathtub enclosure

Condition: • [Unprotected window](#)

Windows in bathtubs were common in this era. Shower Curtain can provide temporary protection. Ensure grout and caulking is maintained regularly

Location: Basement Bathroom

Task: Protect

Time: Less than 1 year



FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Shower stall enclosure

Condition: • Prior repairs of grout at shower stall base. Ensure grout is regularly maintained.

Location: First Floor Bathroom

Inspection Methods and Limitations

Items excluded from a building inspection: • Water quality • Isolating/relief valves & main shut-off valve • Concealed plumbing • Tub/sink overflows • Water treatment equipment • Spa • Tub and basin overflows are not tested as part of a home inspection. Leakage at the overflows is a common problem.

Descriptions

Major floor finishes: • [Hardwood](#)

Major wall and ceiling finishes: • [Plaster/drywall](#)

Windows: • [Fixed](#) • [Single/double hung](#) • [Sliders](#)

Glazing: • [Single](#) • [Double](#) • [Primary plus storm](#)

Exterior doors - type/material: • Hinged

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • Typical minor flaws were noted on floors, walls and ceilings. These cosmetic issues reflect normal wear and tear

FLOORS \ General notes

Condition: • Worn

Location: Various First Floor

Task: Stain or replace

Time: As needed

WINDOWS \ General notes

Condition: • Inoperative

Location: Basement window and bathroom window storm side.

Task: Correct/Repair

Time: Less than 1 year



23. basement window



24. Bathroom window

Condition: • Aging

Varying ages and styles of windows noted throughout. There is a mix of single hung and slider windows. Upgrade any older windows as needed. We typically recommend immediate replacement only if window leakage or damage is noted

Location: Various

Task: Upgrade

Time: Discretionary

Cost: Consult with specialist

STAIRS \ Handrails and guards

Condition: • [Loose](#)

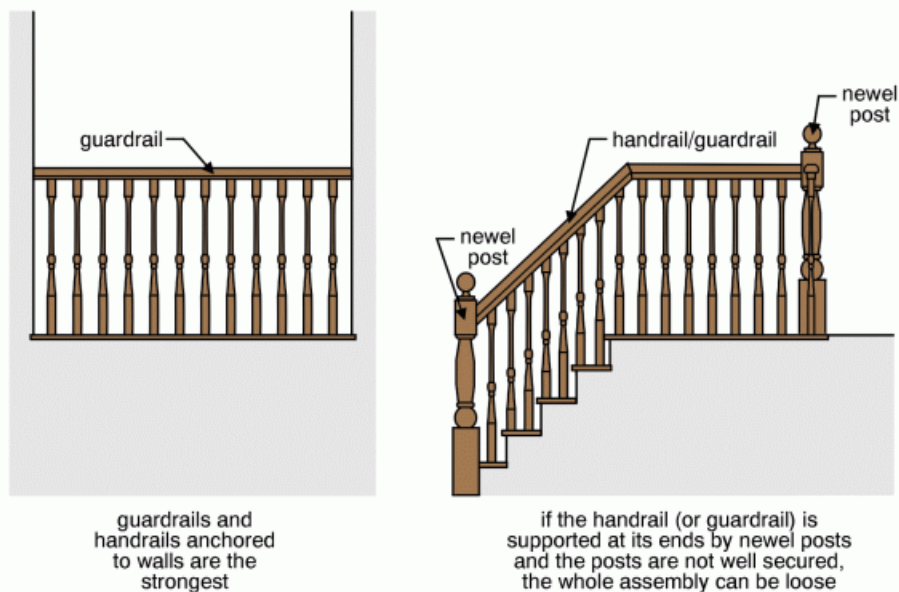
Location: Staircase

Task: Secure baluster

Time: Regular maintenance

Cost: Regular maintenance item

Handrail support



25. Loose baluster

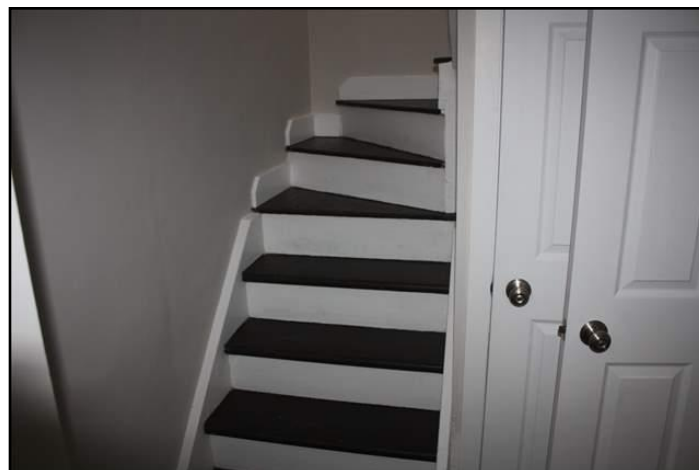
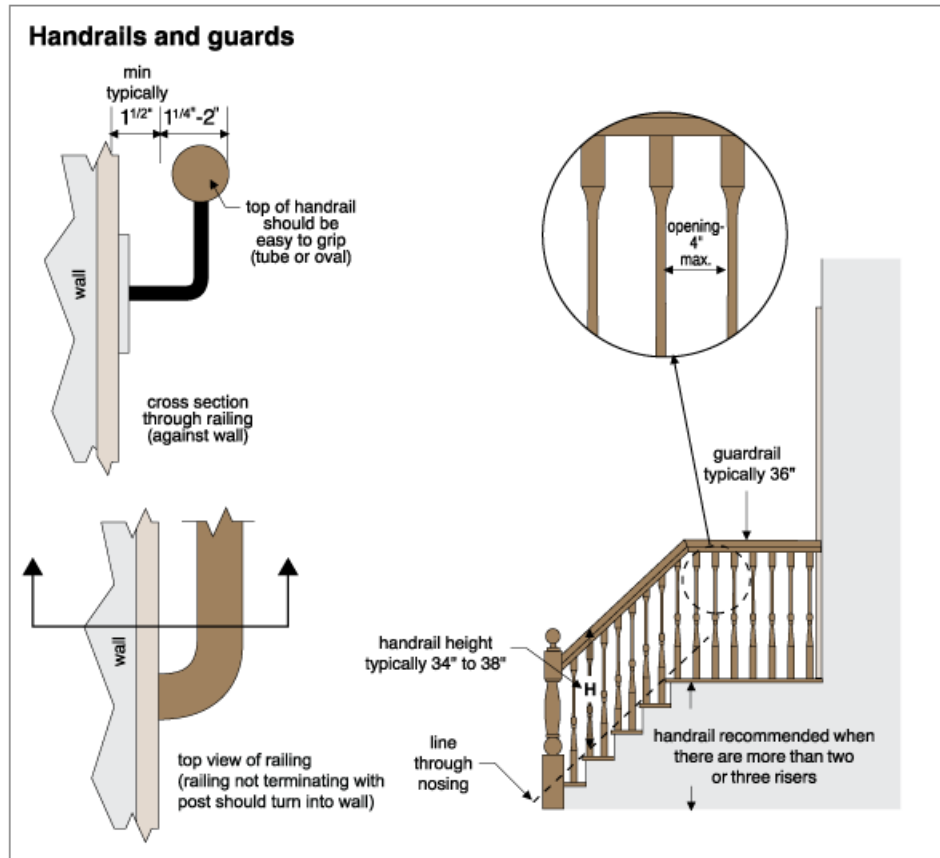
Condition: • [Missing](#)

Location: Basement Staircase

Task: Provide handrail

Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Minor



26. Missing

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BASEMENT \ Leakage

Condition: • ***FOR FUTURE REFERENCE*** Basement Leakage 4-step method.

Almost every basement (and crawlspace) leaks under the right conditions. Based on a one-time visit, it's impossible to know how often or severe leaks may be. While we look for evidence of past leakage during our inspection, this is often not a good indicator of current conditions. Exterior conditions such as poorly performing gutters and downspouts, and ground sloping down toward the house often cause basement leakage problems. To summarize, wet basement issues can be addressed in 4 steps: 1. First, ensure gutters and downspouts carry roof run-off away from the home. (relatively low cost) 2. If problems persist, slope the ground (including walks, patios and driveways) to direct water away from the home. (Low cost if done by homeowner. Higher cost if done by contractor or if driveways, patios and expensive landscaping are disturbed.) 3. If the problem is not resolved and the foundation is poured concrete, seal any leaking cracks and form-tie holes from the inside. (A typical cost is \$300 to \$600 per crack or hole.) 4. As a last resort, dampproof the exterior of the foundation, provide a drainage membrane and add/repair perimeter drainage tile. (High cost)

Inspection Methods and Limitations

General: • Up until about 1985, Asbestos was used in a multitude of building materials including but not limited to: Insulation on hydronic piping, attic insulation, flooring and ceiling tiles, stucco / stipple ceilings, glue, insulation around heating ducts and registers, plaster and so on. Identification of asbestos is outside the scope of a home inspection. If you have concerns about asbestos, consult with a professional environmental company that specializes with asbestos lab testing. If you plan to remove/disturb any building material, testing for asbestos is recommended beforehand.

Inspection limited/prevented by:

- Storage/furnishings
- New finishes/paint
- Recent painting. Still drying in many areas.
- Storage in closets and cabinets / cupboards

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

Cosmetics: • No comment offered on cosmetic finishes

Appliances: • Appliances are not inspected as part of a building inspection • Appliances are not moved during an inspection

Percent of foundation not visible: • 90 %

Basement leakage: • Storage in basement limited inspection • Basement leakage is common. Most basements will experience leakage at some point. We cannot predict future occurrence or extent of basement leakage • Monitor the basement for leaks in the Spring.

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General: • [Low concentrations of CO can go undetected and can contribute to ongoing, unidentified illnesses. At high concentrations, it can be deadly.](#) • [Serious structural problems in houses are not very common, but when they occur they are never cheap to fix. Some cant be fixed at all. This report wont turn you into a home inspector, but it will give you some of the common indicators.](#) • [There are so many home maintenance and repair items that are important; it can be confusing trying to establish which are the most critical.](#) • [\(Life Cycles and Costs\)](#) • [This report will deal with the simpler topic of home repair--basically replacing things that are worn out or fixing things that are broken.](#) • [Common Building Technical Terms Explained](#)

General: • [The Inspection Professionals Website](#)

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GOOD ADVICE FOR ALL HOMEOWNERS: • The following items apply to all homes and explain how to prevent and correct some common problems.

Roof Leaks: • Roofs may leak at any time. Leaks often appear at roof penetrations, flashings, changes in direction or changes in material. A roof leak should be addressed promptly to avoid damage to the structure, interior finishes and furnishings. A roof leak does not necessarily mean the roof has to be replaced.

Annual Roof Maintenance: • We recommend an annual inspection and tune-up to minimize the risk of leakage and to maximize the life of your roof.

Ice Dams on Roofs: • [Most roofs are susceptible to ice dams under the right weather conditions. This is where ice forms](#) at the lower edge of a sloped roof, causing melting water from above to back up under the shingles. We cannot predict which roofs will suffer the most damage under adverse weather.

Maintaining the Exterior of Your Home: • Regular maintenance includes painting and caulking of all exterior wood.

Maintaining the Exterior of Your Home: • Clean gutters twice annually

Insulation Amounts - Current Standards: • R-50

Reduce Air Leaks: • Insulation is not effective if air (and the heat that goes with it) can escape from the home. Caulking and weather-stripping help control air leakage, improving comfort while reducing energy consumption and costs. Air leakage control improvements are inexpensive and provide a high return on investment.

Bathtub and Shower Maintenance: • Caulking and grout in bathtubs and showers should be checked every six months and improved as necessary to prevent leakage and damage behind wall surfaces.

Basement/Crawlspace Leakage: • Almost every basement (and crawlspace) leaks under the right conditions. • [Click for](#) more information.

MORE GOOD ADVICE FOR ALL HOMES: • Here is some more information that applies to all homes.

MORE GOOD INFORMATION: • The following links give you access to documents that provide additional information on a range of topics.

Life Cycles and Costs: • [Ballpark estimates based on a typical three-bedroom home.](#)

Priority Items for Home Buyers: • [A list of things you should do when moving into your new home and a few regular](#) maintenance items.

Maintenance: • [Scheduled maintenance can avoid repairs and extend the life expectancy of many home components.](#) This document helps you look after your home.

When Things Go Wrong: • [Unpleasant surprises are unfortunately part of homeownership. This document helps to](#) explain why things happen and why your home inspector may not have predicted it.

Standards of Practice: • [This document sets out what a professional home inspection should include, and guides the](#) activities of our inspectors.

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**This is a copy of our home inspection contract and outlines the terms,
limitations and conditions of the home inspection**

THIS CONTRACT LIMITS THE LIABILITY OF THE HOME INSPECTION COMPANY AND INSPECTOR.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

The Inspection of this property is subject to the Limitations and Conditions set out in this Agreement. It is based on a visual examination of the readily accessible features of the building. The Inspection is performed in accordance with the Standards of Practice of the Ontario Association of Home Inspectors. A copy of these Standards is available at <http://www.oahi.com/webdocs/StandardsofPractice-OAHI-Rev.pdf>.

The Home Inspector's report is an opinion of the present condition of the property. The Inspection and report are not a guarantee, warranty or an insurance policy with regards to the property. A Home Inspector cannot predict future deficiencies, intermittent problems or future water leakage.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH: Due to the unpredictable nature of basement water leakage, a home inspector cannot predict future basement leakage. Almost all basements will leak at some point so there is a very good chance that it will happen. Basement leakage can occur for any number of reasons - Rainfall, sewer backup, high water tables, lot grading, clogged weeping tiles, gutter and downspout performance, just to name a few. The home inspector and The Inspection Professionals accepts no responsibility or liability for future basement water problems.

The inspection report is for the exclusive use of the client named above. No use of the information by any other party is intended. See item 8 below.

LIMITATIONS AND CONDITIONS OF THE HOME INSPECTION

These Limitations and Conditions explain the scope of your Home Inspection. Please read them carefully before signing this Agreement.

The purpose of your Home Inspection is to evaluate the general condition of a property. This includes determining whether systems are still performing their intended functions.

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 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. If you have concerns about any of the conditions noted, please consult the text that is referenced in the report.

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

If you are concerned about any conditions noted in the report, we strongly recommend that you consult a qualified licensed contractor or engineering specialist. These professionals can provide a more detailed analysis of any conditions noted in the report at an additional cost.

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

Some intermittent conditions 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. Inspectors do not remove wall coverings, including wallpaper, or lift flooring, including carpet to look underneath.

A Home Inspection is a sampling exercise with respect to house components that are numerous, such as bricks, windows and electrical receptacles. As a result, some conditions that are visible may go un-reported.

3. The Inspection does not include hazardous materials that may be in or behind the walls, floors or ceilings of the property, whether visible or not. This includes building materials that are now suspected of posing a risk to health such as phenol-formaldehyde and urea-formaldehyde based products, fiberglass insulation and vermiculite insulation. The Inspector does not identify asbestos roofing, siding, wall, ceiling or floor finishes, insulation or fire proofing. 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, herbicide's or pesticides. The Inspector does not look for, or comment on, the past use of chemical termite treatments in or around the property.

4. We are not responsible for and 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 including that which may be concealed behind walls or under floors, for example. You should note that whenever there is water damage, there is a possibility that visible or concealed mold or mildew may be present unseen behind a wall, floor or ceiling.

If anyone in the 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.

5. 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 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. 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. The Client understands and agrees to be bound by each and every provision of this contract. The Client has the authority to bind any other family members or other interested parties to this Contract.

8. REPORT IS FOR OUR CLIENT ONLY. The inspection report is for the exclusive use of the client named herein. The client may provide the report to prospective buyers, at their own discretion. Potential buyers are required to obtain their own Onsite Review with The Inspection Professionals if they intend to rely on this report. The Inspection Professionals will not be responsible for the use of or reliance upon this Report by any third party without an Onsite Review and transfer of report to client after they have agreed to our inspection agreement.

9. 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

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The links below connect you to a series of documents that will help you understand your home and how it works. These are in addition to links attached to specific items in the report.

Click on any link to read about that system.

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Termites and Carpenter Ants

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