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FOR THE PROPERTY AT:
561 Beresford Avenue
Toronto, ON M6S 3C2

PREPARED FOR:
GILLIAN RITCHIE

INSPECTION DATE:
Monday, October 6, 2025

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Dear Gillian Ritchie,

RE: Report No. 8665
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HIGHLIGHTS:

This 1922 solid masonry home with upper areas clad in metal siding on concrete block foundations is in good condition overall compared to homes of similar age and style. No significant structural performance-related concerns were observed at the time of inspection.

The electrical service is 100 amps. The masonry chimney was rebuilt in 2023. The front exterior porch features new wood decking. The HVAC system includes a high-efficiency air conditioner (4 years old), and the water heater is also 4 years old.

As is typical for homes of this age, there is a mix of newer and older systems and components.

IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT THIS REPORT

This summary outlines some of the potentially significant issues that may require short-term attention due to cost, safety, or performance concerns. This section is provided as a courtesy only and is not a substitute for reading the entire report. Please review the full report in detail.

It is not possible for a home inspector to predict the future. We recommend budgeting between 0.5% to 1% of the home's value annually for unforeseen repairs and maintenance. This applies to any property you may consider.

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

This inspection was performed in accordance with the most recent CAHPI Standards of Practice.

NOTE: ALL ELECTRICAL ISSUES ARE CONSIDERED PRIORITY ITEMS.

NOTE: THE TERM 'MINOR' GENERALLY REFERS TO COSTS UNDER \$1000.

NOTE: FOR DIRECTIONAL PURPOSES, "FRONT" OF HOUSE IS REFERENCED AS FACING THE FRONT DOOR FROM THE OUTSIDE.

During a home inspection, we evaluate all visible systems and components. Hundreds of potential minor issues exist in every home old or new. This inspection is not a technical audit. (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.

For clarity, major issues generally fall into four categories:

- 1) OBSERVABLE STRUCTURAL DEFECTS
- 2) OBSERVABLE WATER LEAKAGE OR DAMAGE -- Roofing, Plumbing, and Basement.
- 3) OBSERVABLE ELECTRICAL DEFECTS
- 4) LIFESPAN SYSTEMS -- Roof Covering, Heating, Cooling, Windows

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For approximate cost guidance on common home components, click here:

<http://www.inspectionlibrary.com/costs.htm>

Electrical

SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Distribution panel

Condition: • Obsolete - Fuse panel

Many insurance companies no longer provide coverage for homes with fuse box panels. Regardless, upgrading to a breaker panel is recommended for improved safety and reliability.

Implication(s): Electric shock | Fire hazard

Location: Basement Panel

Task: Upgrade to breaker panel

Time: As soon as possible

Cost: \$1500 +/-

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)

Condition: • Ungrounded Wiring - We noted ungrounded outlets in some areas of the home. This is typical for homes of this era, as conductors did not include a ground wire. For occupant safety, it is recommended to upgrade ungrounded circuits with GFCI protection. For electronic equipment such as computers, true grounding is recommended. Additionally, consult with your insurance company for their requirements regarding ungrounded wiring.

Implication(s): Shock Hazard

Location: Various

Task: Provide GFCI outlets or GFCI breakers for these areas

Time: As soon as possible

Plumbing

WASTE PLUMBING \ Floor drain

Condition: • [Not found](#)

During the inspection, no floor drain was observed in the basement. While common in most homes, a drain may be concealed beneath finished flooring or walls.

Floor drains provide important protection against water accumulation from leaks or flooding. No alternative drainage provisions were observed.

Location: Basement

Task: Locate floor drain and expose (or provide if none present)

Time: As soon as possible

Cost: Depends on work needed - Minor if one present but covered, Major if none present and installation is required (\$3000 and up)

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.

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

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Descriptions

Sloped roofing material:

- [Asphalt shingles](#)



1. Asphalt shingles



2. Asphalt shingles

Flat roofing material: • [Modified bitumen membrane](#)

Approximate age:

- 10 years

Asphalt shingles at sloped areas

Typical life expectancy: • 15-25 years

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

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

RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview

Condition: • Annual roof tune-ups are recommended to find and repair damage to roofing materials, flashings and caulking. Roof tune-ups reduce the risk of leaks and resulting water damage and help extend the service life of the roof.

Location: Exterior Roof

Task: Inspect annually

Time: Ongoing

FLAT ROOFING \ Modified bitumen

Condition: • [Blisters](#)

Minor blistering and surface irregularities noted in the modified bitumen membrane. This is typical aging for a roof of this type.

Location: Various Exterior Roof

Task: Monitor and inspect during annual roof maintenance

Time: ongoing

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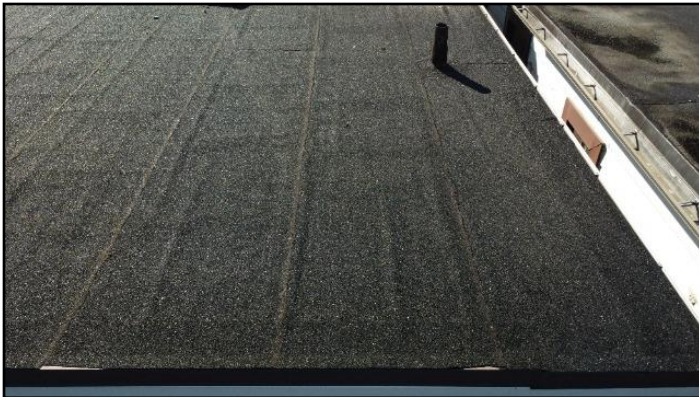
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3. Blisters



4. Blisters

Condition: • [Debris on roof](#)

Old chimney bricks and mortar debris remain on the flat roof surface, likely left in place when the chimney was rebuilt approximately two years ago. Prolonged contact can damage the membrane and impede drainage.

Location: Exterior Flat Roof

Task: Remove debris and inspect underlying membrane

Time: As soon as practical



5. Debris on roof

Inspection Methods and Limitations

General and Best Practices: • 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 replacement best practices - Strip Roof Covering when replacing. When replacing a roof covering, it is best practice to remove the old layer before installing the new one. While adding a new layer over the existing roof is sometimes done to reduce costs, it can conceal damaged roof boards, flashings, or other components. Installing a third layer is not recommended. Hidden defects are often only discovered during the tear-off process.

Inspection performed:

- With binoculars from the ground
- With a drone

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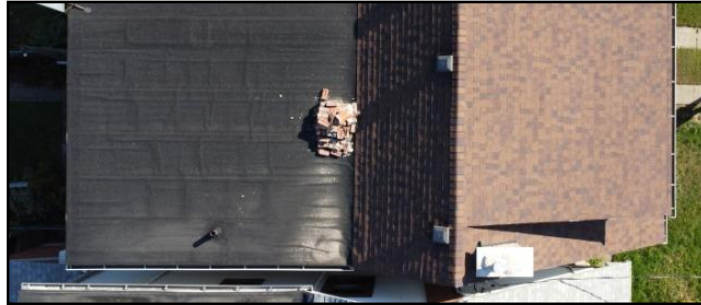
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6. View from drone

Age determined by: • Reported by seller • Roof age estimated using historical imagery (Google Maps) from prior years.

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

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

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

Wall surfaces and trim: • [Metal siding](#)

Wall surfaces - masonry: • [Brick](#)

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • All Exterior issues noted have POTENTIAL worst-case implications such as damage to contents, structure and/or finishes, moisture intrusion, personal safety, shortened life expectancy of materials, and material deterioration

WALLS \ Flashings and caulking

Condition: • FOR ALL HOMES - Caulking around windows, doors, and wall penetrations should be inspected regularly and improved as needed to prevent moisture entry and air leakage.

WALLS \ Metal siding

Condition: • [Loose or missing pieces](#)

Location: Corner Rear Exterior

Task: Repair

Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Minor Regular maintenance item



7. Loose or missing pieces



8. Loose or missing pieces

WALLS \ Masonry (brick, stone) and concrete

Condition: • FOR ALL HOMES - 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

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Condition: • Masonry and/or mortar deterioration

Tuckpoint / Repoint mortar and patch/repair spalled masonry. This is typical maintenance for a home of this age.

photos show a sampling

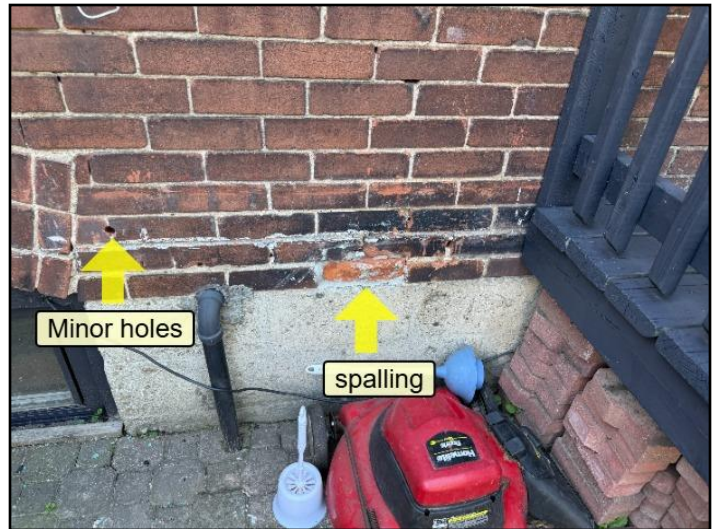
Location: Various Exterior

Task: Repair

Time: Ongoing Regular maintenance



9. example spalling at side



10. example at rear



11. example at column

EXTERIOR GLASS/WINDOWS \ General notes

Condition: • Sill - Near or at Grade Level

Basement window at or near grade level. Modern standards recommend that the bottom of the window be at least 6 inches above grade or have a window well installed. Consider adding window well if regrading or when necessary. In the meantime, ensure windows remain well-sealed to prevent water intrusion.

Location: Rear exterior

Task: Monitor for moisture intrusion / Improve

Time: As necessary

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Cost: If/when upgrading to window wells in the future, \$2000 and up each



12. Sill - Near or at Grade Level

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

Condition: • [Loose](#)

Location: Rear Exterior Deck Staircase

Task: Improve Handrails

Time: Regular maintenance

Condition: • [Too low](#)

Below modern standards

Additional, handrail is loose/poorly fastened to baluster

Location: Exterior staircase handrail and porch guards

Task: Upgrade

Time: When practical

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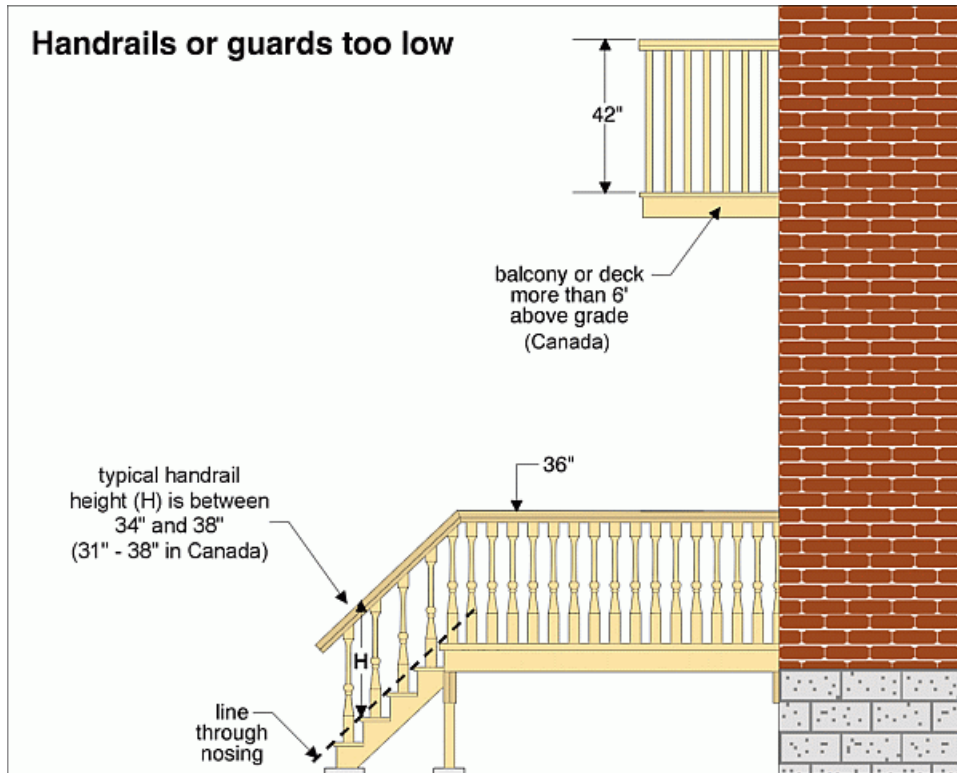
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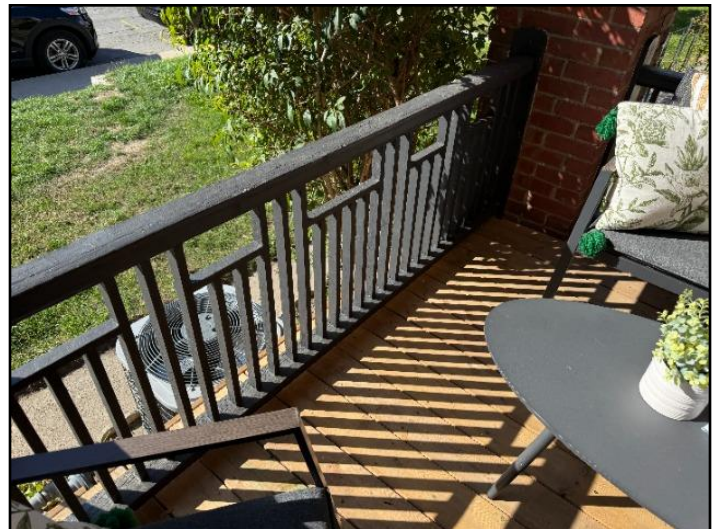
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Handrails or guards too low



13. Too low and poorly fastened



14. Too low

LANDSCAPING \ Lot grading

Condition: • FOR ALL HOMES - During rainfall, walk the perimeter of the home to observe whether any areas allow water to drain toward the foundation. Improve grading in those areas as needed to promote proper drainage away from the structure.

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Inspection Methods and Limitations

Upper floors inspected from: • Ground level

Not included as part of a building inspection: • Underground components (e.g., oil tanks, septic fields, underground drainage systems)

Descriptions

General: • No significant structural performance issues were observed in visible areas.

Configuration: • [Basement](#)

Foundation material: • [Masonry block](#)

Floor construction: • [Joists](#) • Subfloor - plank

Exterior wall construction:

• [Wood frame](#)

Not visible but typically wood-frame below metal siding.

• [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 Cracks - Block, Brick, Stone

Almost all houses with concrete block, brick or stone foundations have minor settlement and/or cracks. Monitor all cracks for movement and nuisance water leakage. Repair cracks only if necessary

Implication(s): Damage to contents, finishes and/or structure / Nuisance

Location: Various Exterior Wall

Task: Monitor / Repair

Time: Ongoing / If necessary

ROOF FRAMING \ Sheathing (roof/attic)

Condition: • Water stains - Attic plank boards

Discoloration or water staining was noted on the plank board sheathing in the attic. This is a common observation in older homes and is typically the result of historical moisture exposure from past minor leaks or condensation.

Location: Various Attic

Task: For Your Information

Inspection Methods and Limitations

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

Attic/roof space: • Inspected from access hatch

Percent of foundation not visible: • 95 %

Not included as part of a building inspection: • An opinion about the adequacy of structural components

Descriptions

General: • ALL ELECTRICAL CONDITIONS ARE CONSIDERED PRIORITY ITEMS

Service entrance cable and location: • [Overhead copper](#)

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

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

System grounding material and type: • [Not visible](#)

Distribution panel type and location:

• [Fuses - basement](#)



15. Fuses - basement

Distribution panel rating: • [100 Amps](#)

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

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

Circuit interrupters: Ground Fault (GFCI) & Arc Fault (AFCI): • [GFCI - bathroom](#)

Smoke alarms (detectors):

• [Present](#)

At basement and second floor

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • ALL ELECTRICAL recommendations are safety-related. POTENTIAL worst-case implications include fire and shock hazards. Treat them as high-priority items and assume the time frame is Immediate / As soon as possible unless otherwise noted.

SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Distribution panel

Condition: • Obsolete - Fuse panel

Many insurance companies no longer provide coverage for homes with fuse box panels. Regardless, upgrading to a breaker panel is recommended for improved safety and reliability.

Implication(s): Electric shock | Fire hazard

Location: Basement Panel

Task: Upgrade to to breaker panel

Time: As soon as possible

Cost: \$1500 +/-

SERVICE BOX, GROUNDING AND PANEL \ Distribution fuses/breakers

Condition: • [Fuses or breakers too big](#)

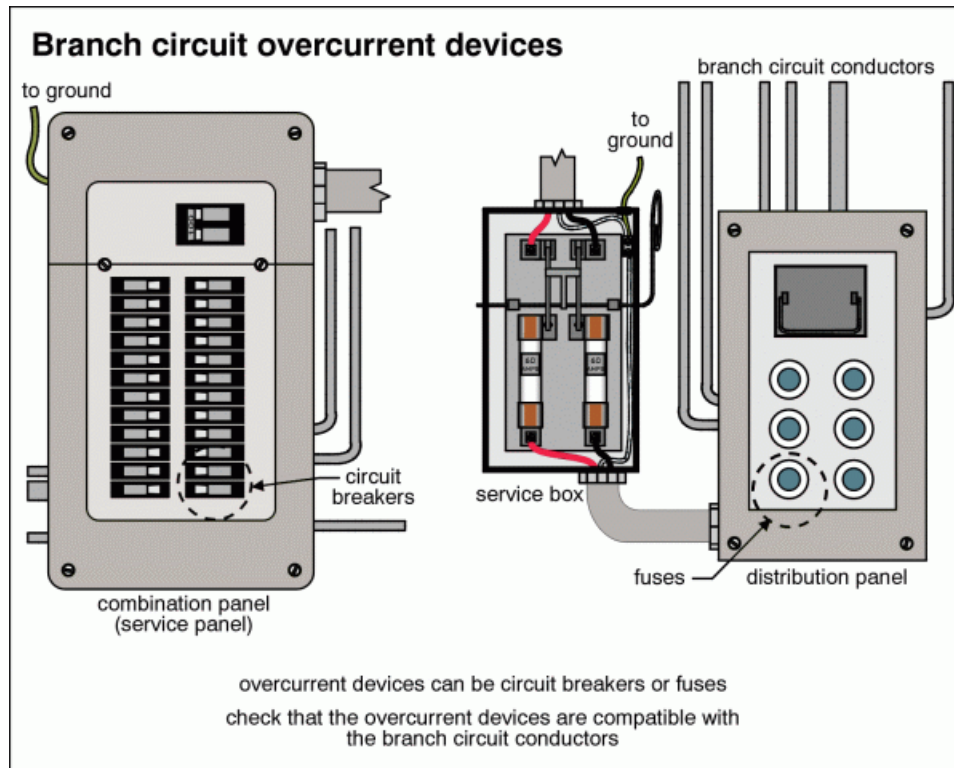
Implication(s): Equipment overheating | Fire hazard

Location: Various Basement Panel

Task: Correct

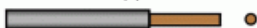
Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Minor



Common household wire and fuse sizes

14 AWG copper wire



common uses:

most circuits for lighting and receptacles, electric baseboard heaters

typical fuse/breaker size:

15 amps

10 AWG copper wire



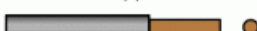
common uses:

electric clothes dryers, air conditioners, water heaters

typical fuse/breaker size:

30 amps

12 AWG copper wire



common uses:

some receptacles, electric baseboard heaters, small air conditioners

typical fuse/breaker size:

20 amps

8 AWG copper wire



common uses:

electric stoves and ovens

typical fuse/breaker size:

40 amps

Condition: • [Double taps](#)

Implication(s): Fire hazard

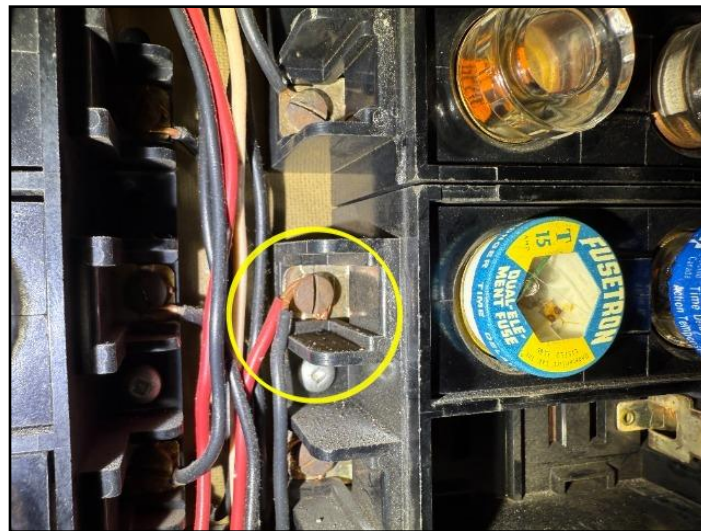
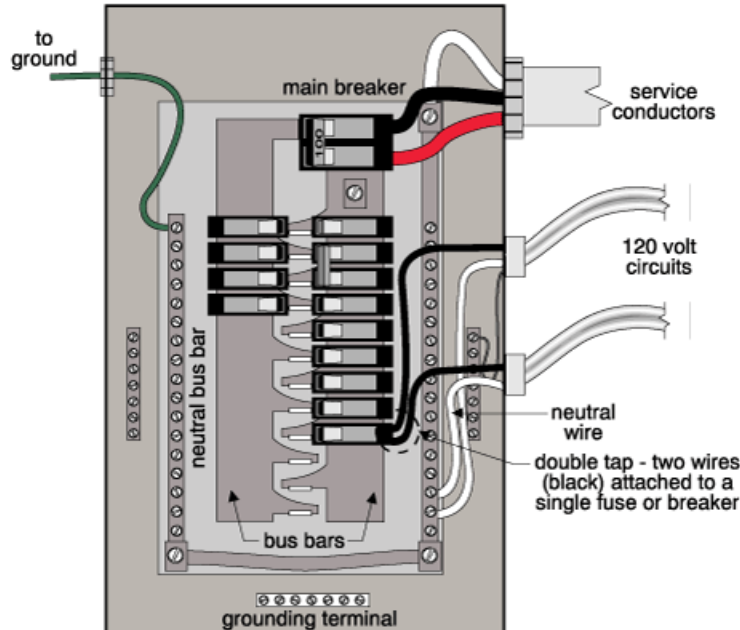
Location: Basement Panel

Task: Correct

Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Minor

Double tapping (double lugging)



16. Double taps

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Outlets (receptacles)

Condition: • Ungrounded Wiring - We noted ungrounded outlets in some areas of the home. This is typical for homes of this era, as conductors did not include a ground wire. For occupant safety, it is recommended to upgrade ungrounded circuits with GFCI protection. For electronic equipment such as computers, true grounding is recommended. Additionally, consult with your insurance company for their requirements regarding ungrounded wiring.

Implication(s): Shock Hazard

Location: Various

Task: Provide GFCI outlets or GFCI breakers for these areas

Time: As soon as possible

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ GFCI (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter) protection not noted at

Condition: • Within 6 ft. of the outer edge of a sink, shower or bathtub

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Kitchen near sink

Task: Upgrade to GFI outlet

Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Minor

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Cover plates

Condition: • For outlet (receptacle) is missing

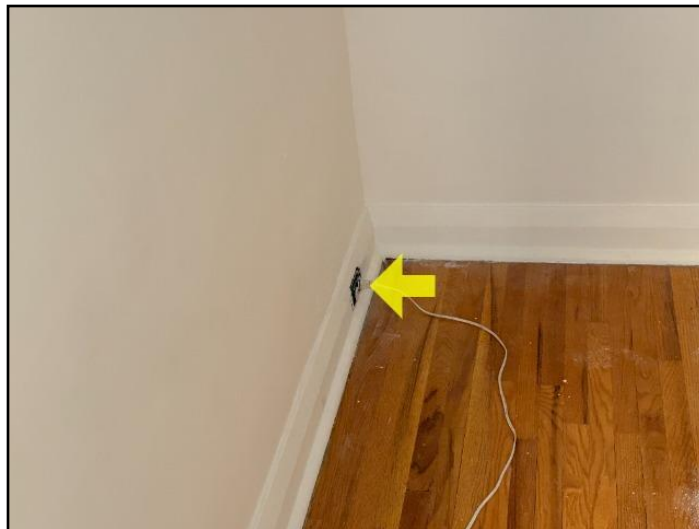
Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Second Floor Bedroom Closet

Task: Provide Cover

Time: As soon as possible

Cost: Minor



17. For outlet (receptacle) is missing

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Lights

Condition: • [Loose](#)

Implication(s): Electric shock | Fire hazard

Location: Exterior rear wall

Task: Correct and seal

Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Minor Regular maintenance item



18. Loose

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Smoke alarms (detectors)

Condition: • Missing

Implication(s): Safety issue

Location: First Floor

Task: Provide

Time: Immediate

Cost: Minor

Condition: • General safety reminder for ALL homes -

This is a standard note included in every inspection report:

Smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors should be installed on every floor level. Smoke detectors should be located near all sleeping areas, and CO detectors should be present near fuel-burning appliances, fireplaces, or attached garages.

These devices are not tested during the home inspection. Regardless of visible condition, detectors should be tested regularly and replaced every 10 years. If the age is unknown, replacement is recommended as a precaution. Batteries should be changed annually.

Inspection Methods and Limitations

General: • Knob and Tube wiring was the typical wiring used in homes built prior to 1950. We did not observe any knob and tube during our inspection. We checked an ungrounded outlet at second floor and no knob and tube was observed. Sometimes remnants of knob and tube wiring is found during renovations. If found, remove during renovations.

System ground: • Quality of ground not determined

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Heating system type: • [Furnace](#)

Fuel/energy source: • [Gas](#)

Heat distribution: • [Ducts and registers](#)

Approximate capacity: • [60,000 BTU/hr](#)

Efficiency: • [High-efficiency](#)

Approximate age: • [8 years](#)

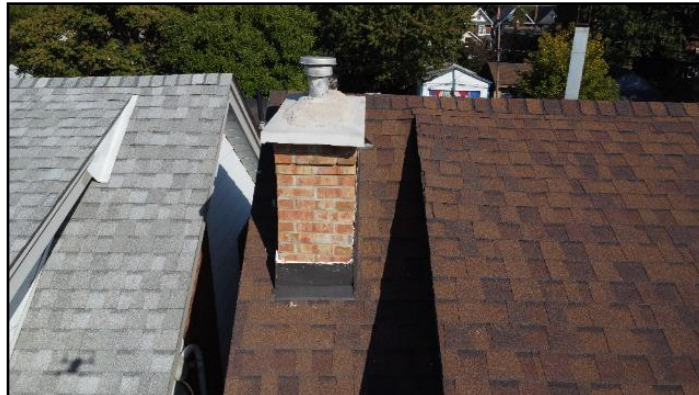
Typical life expectancy: • Furnace (high efficiency) 15 to 20 years

Main fuel shut off at: • Meter

Chimney/vent:

• [Masonry](#)

Chimney rebuilt 2023



19. Masonry - rebuilt 2023

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • Set up annual service plan which includes coverage for parts and labour.

Location: Basement Furnace Room

Task: Service annually

Time: Ongoing

Cost: Regular maintenance item

FURNACE \ Distribution air fan (blower)

Condition: • Fan cover/access door interlock/safety switch inoperative

Location: Basement Furnace

Task: Remove tape at next furnace service



20. Fan cover/access door interlock/safety...

GAS FURNACE \ Ducts, registers and grilles

Condition: • Typical of an older layout, some of the registers are at interior walls and/or floors and not below the windows. Provide auxiliary heating near windows if necessary (baseboards for example)

Location: Various

Task: Provide auxiliary heat source

Time: If necessary

Cost: Depends on approach

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

COOLING & HEAT PUMP

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Air conditioning type: • [Air cooled](#)

Cooling capacity: • [24,000 BTU/hr](#) • [2 Tons](#)

Compressor approximate age: • 4 years

Typical life expectancy: • 10 to 15 years

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • In general, air conditioning units have a lifespan of 10-15 years but often last longer with regular servicing.

RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview

Condition: • No air conditioning or heat pump recommendations are offered as a result of this inspection.

Inspection Methods and Limitations

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

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

Attic/roof insulation amount/value: • [R-20](#)

Attic/roof air/vapor barrier: • [None found](#) • Spot Checked Only

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

Foundation wall insulation material: • Not determined • Not visible

Foundation wall insulation amount/value: • [None found](#)

Observations and Recommendations

ATTIC/ROOF \ Insulation

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

Below current standards of R-60 (as of 2016).

Implication(s): Increased heating and cooling costs

Location: Throughout Attic

Task: Upgrade

Time: Discretionary

Cost: \$2000 and up

ATTIC/ROOF \ Air/vapor barrier

Condition: • [Missing](#)

Typical for the era

Location: Attic

Task: Provide

Time: When/if upgrading insulation

ATTIC/ROOF \ Hatch/Door

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

Implication(s): Chance of condensation damage to finishes and/or structure | Increased heating and cooling costs | Reduced comfort

Location: Attic

Task: Improve

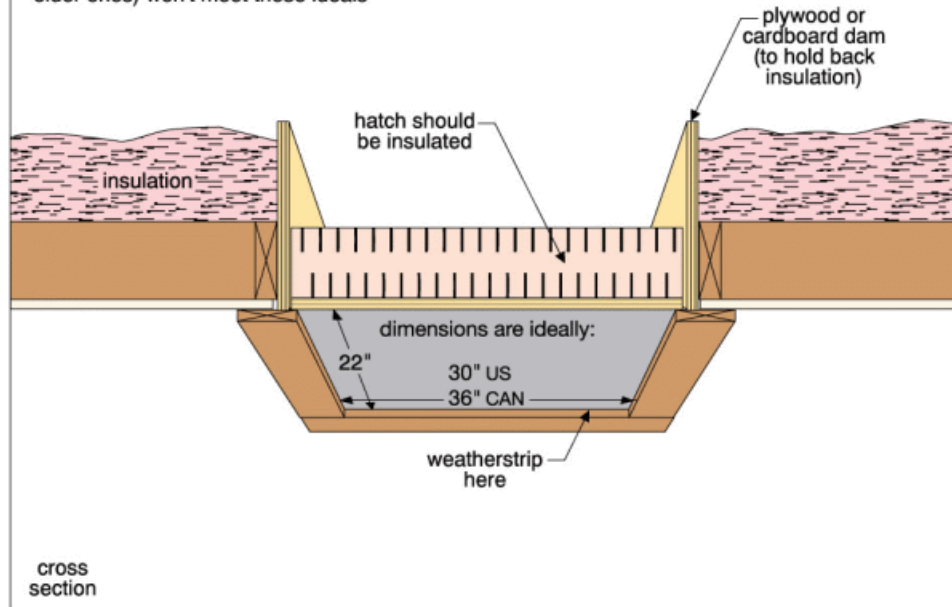
Time: Less than 1 year

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: • [Not visible](#)

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

Main water shut off valve at the: • Inquire with homeseller

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

Water heater type: • [Conventional](#)

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

Water heater tank capacity: • 189 liters

Water heater approximate age: • 4 years

Water heater typical life expectancy: • 10 to 15 years

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

Floor drain location: • None found

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • All Plumbing issues have POTENTIAL worst-case implications of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure, no hot or cold water, leakage, possible hidden damage, difficult to service, sewage entering building, health hazards.

SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Water shut off valve

Condition: • [Missing or cannot be located](#)

Location: First Floor Kitchen hot water isolation valve

Task: Provide Isolation valve handle

Time: When necessary / Performing plumbing work



21. Missing isolation valve handle

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: • GENERAL RECOMMENDATION FOR ALL HOMES BUILT PRIOR TO 1975 - 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, however many companies will rebate the cost if work is to be completed.

WASTE PLUMBING \ Floor drain

Condition: • [Not found](#)

During the inspection, no floor drain was observed in the basement. While common in most homes, a drain may be concealed beneath finished flooring or walls.

Floor drains provide important protection against water accumulation from leaks or flooding. No alternative drainage provisions were observed.

Location: Basement

Task: Locate floor drain and expose (or provide if none present)

Time: As soon as possible

Cost: Depends on work needed - Minor if one present but covered, Major if none present and installation is required (\$3000 and up)

FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Faucet

Condition: • [Drip, leak](#)

Location: Basement Laundry Tub

Task: Adjust/Repair

Time: Less than 6 months

Cost: Minor regular maintenance item



22. Drip

REGULAR MAINTENANCE \ Comments \ Additional

Condition: • The following are minor plumbing deficiencies and upkeep items noted during the inspection. These are common for the age of the home and should be addressed through routine maintenance to reduce risk of deterioration and/or leaks.

- The washing machine drain hose discharges into the laundry tub instead of the nearby standpipe. (hose likely not long enough to reach standpipe). This setup is common and generally acceptable.
- Shower head loose - second floor bathroom - secure and seal

Location: Various

Task: Improve or Correct or Repair

Time: Regular maintenance / Routine upkeep

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 • Tub and basin overflows are not tested as part of a home inspection. Leakage at the overflows is a common problem.

Descriptions

Major ceiling finishes: • [Acoustic tile](#)

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

Windows:

- [Fixed](#)
- [Sliders](#)
- [Casement](#)

At bathroom

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

Exterior doors - type/material: • Hinged

Observations and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

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

Condition: • Typical minor flaws were noted on floors, walls and ceilings. These cosmetic issues reflect normal wear and tear. This can include worn or cracked flooring and blemishes on wall/ceilings

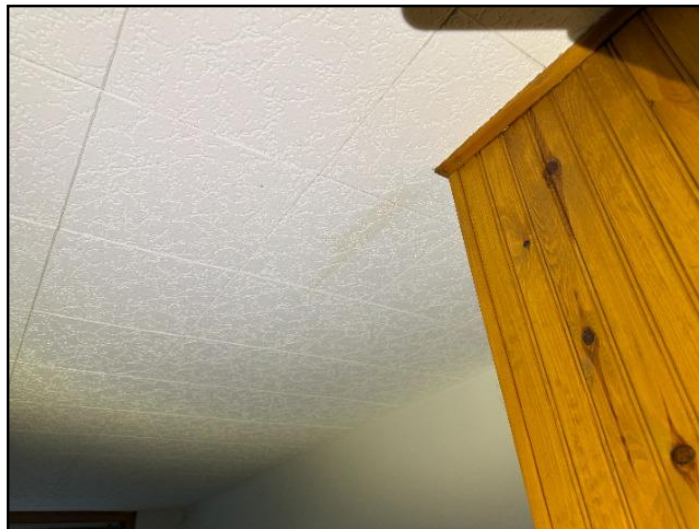
CEILINGS \ General notes

Condition: • Stains

Minor stain noted. Dry at time of inspection. No action needed.

Location: Basement

Task: For Your Information



23. Minor stain

FLOORS \ Subflooring

Condition: • Slope or Sag Noted.

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Some minor sloping or sagging or uneven floors were observed in various areas of the home. These conditions are common in houses of this age and reflect normal settlement and wear over time. No immediate structural concerns were noted during the inspection.

Location: Various

Task: Repair when desired or when remodelling

Cost: Depends on cause (Joists / foundations / subfloor, etc)

WINDOWS \ General notes

Condition: • Aging

The majority of windows feature older fixed double-pane sections at the top and single-pane sliding sections below. The windows are aging but functional. (Manufactured 1984, 1987 and other ages unknown)

We typically recommend immediate replacement only when windows are inoperative, leaking, or showing signs of significant deterioration.

Replacement of older but functional windows is considered discretionary and may be planned over time as needed.

Location: Throughout

Task: Upgrade

Time: Discretionary / As needed

Cost: Major \$60 - \$100 per square foot

WINDOWS \ Glass (glazing)

Condition: • [Missing](#)

Location: Left Basement

Task: Replace

Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Minor



24. Missing

WINDOWS \ Hardware

Condition: • [Inoperative](#)

Implication(s): System inoperative or difficult to operate

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Location: Second Floor Bathroom

Task: Repair / Replace

Time: Less than 1 year

DOORS \ Glass (glazing)

Condition: • [Cracked](#)

Implication(s): Glass breaking | Physical injury

Location: Front Door First Floor

Task: Replace

Time: As Soon As Possible

Cost: Minor



25. Cracked

STAIRS \ Handrails and guards

Condition: • [Missing](#)

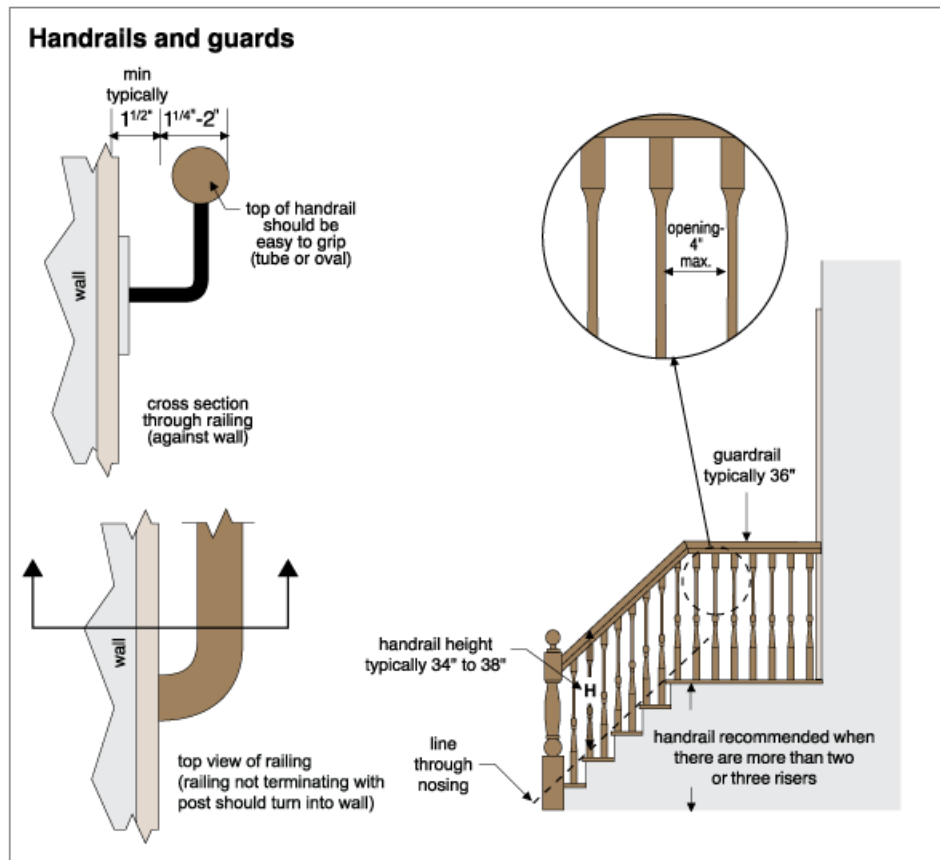
Implication(s): Fall hazard

Location: Staircase basement

Task: Provide handrail on open side

Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: Minor



STAIRS \ Guardrails

Condition: • [Too low](#)

Below modern standards

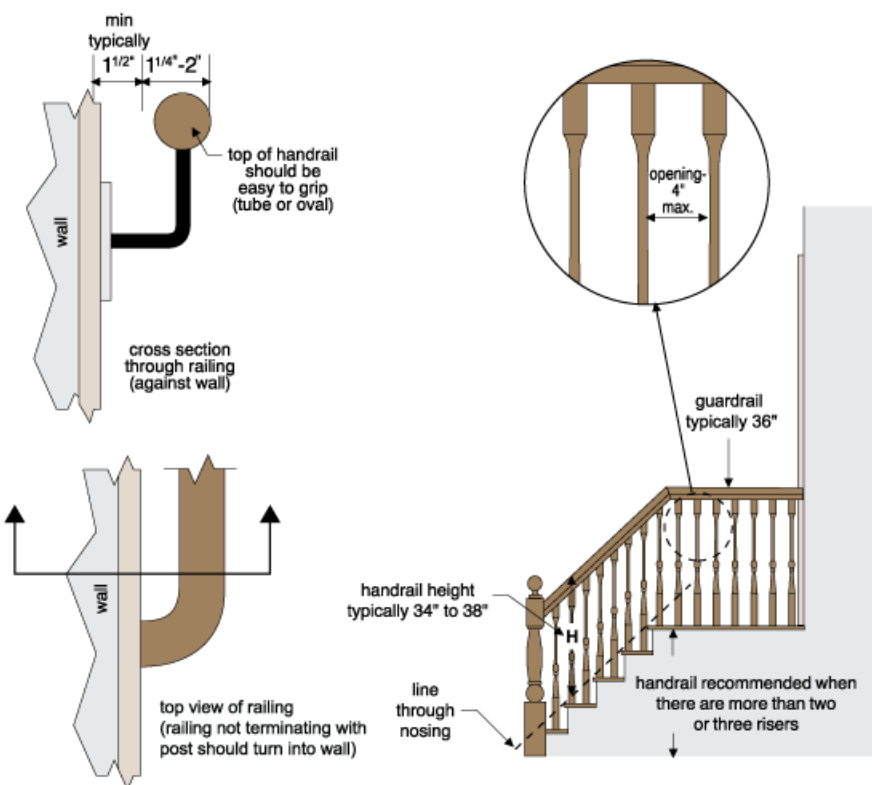
Implication(s): Fall hazard

Location: Second Floor Hall

Task: Upgrade

Time: As soon as practical

Handrails and guards



26.

EXHAUST FANS \ Kitchen range exhaust system (range hood)

Condition: • Inoperative

Implication(s): Equipment inoperative

Location: First Floor Kitchen

Task: Replace

Time: Less than 1 year

Cost: \$700 - and up

BASEMENT \ Leakage

Condition: • ***FOR FUTURE REFERENCE*** GENERAL ADVICE FOR ALL HOMES IF BASEMENT LEAKAGE IS EVER OBSERVED

Basement Leakage 4-step method. Almost every basement (and crawlspace) leaks under the right conditions. Based on a one-time visit, it is 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 \$500 to \$600 per crack or \$300 per hole.) 4. As a last resort, dampproof the exterior of the foundation, provide a drainage membrane and add/repair perimeter drainage tile. (High cost)

BASEMENT \ Wet basements - vulnerability

Condition: • Typical of many homes with stone, brick, or block foundations, some moisture can be expected from time to time and is not unusual. Exterior grading and water management improvements are generally effective at reducing basement moisture. A dehumidifier can also be used to keep humidity levels down.

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 • Storage in closets and cabinets / cupboards

Inspection limited/prevented by: • New carpet at basement and various other areas

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: • 95 %

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

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basement for leaks in the Spring.

- Monitor the

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Descriptions

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. • To manage water drainage around the exterior, ensure that grading (ground) is maintained with a positive slope away from the home and extend any downspouts away from walls and all building components.

Insulation Amounts - Current Standards: • Attic current standards as of 2016 is R-60

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.

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

This inspection was performed in accordance with the most recent CAHPI Standards of Practice. Click the blue link above to view the full document.

END OF REPORT

**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.

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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

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.

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