

INSPECTION REPORT

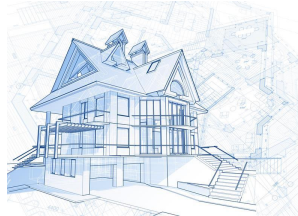


For the Property at:

SAMPLE REPORT

ANY PLACE, NY 11545

Prepared for: CLIENT HOME
Inspection Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2025
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SAMPLE REPORT, ANY PLACE, NY February 25, 2025

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Higher Elevation LLC would like to thank you for choosing us to inspect your future home. Please note that every house needs annual maintenance. It is recommended the home owner budget for repair and maintenance of heating / cooling systems, plumbing, electric and site drainage (roof and gutters). The BLUE HYPER LINKS in your report will help with information about your home. Please note any recommended repairs should be done by a licensed and insured professional. Included on the last page of the report is a REFERENCE LIBRARY - PDF to help you understand your new house.

All the best

Rob Byrne - Owner / Operator

[Priority Maintenance Items](#)

Exterior

LANDSCAPING \ #General notes

Condition: • Request termite disclosure and paperwork from home owner for current up to date contract.
Termite damage in basement recommend seller provide current paperwork for treatment.

Structure

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • Termite mud tubes
Recommend asking seller for existing treatment contract.
Location: Basement

Cooling & Heat Pump

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

Condition: • AC is old using R-22 freon in system. This freon will not be available in the near future and is very expensive. Budget for replacement of AC unit when needed.
Air handler in attic and compressor are 14 years old and using R22 refrigerant - budget for replacement when needed.

AIR CONDITIONING \ Compressor

Condition: • [Inadequate cooling](#)
Air conditioner not working at time of inspection recommend further evaluation.
Implication(s): Increased cooling costs | Reduced comfort

Plumbing

SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Water main shut off valve

Condition: • [Leak](#)
Implication(s): Chance of water damage to structure, finishes and contents | No water
Location: Basement

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Interior

STAIRS \ Handrails and guards

Condition: • [Missing](#)

INSTALL FOR SAFETY

Implication(s): Fall hazard

Location: First Floor

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. 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](#)

Observation and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview

1. **Condition:** • Asphalt shingle roof coverings wear out and are replaced every 20-25 years depending on number of variables. An annual roof inspection is recommended by a Licensed Roofing Contractor.
2. **Condition:** • Leaks in roof may not appear at time of inspection and sometimes develop due to severe weather condition after inspection. We cannot predict when or if a roof might leak in the future.

SLOPED ROOFING \ Asphalt shingles

3. **Condition:** • Debris/moss

Implication(s): Shortened life expectancy of material



Debris/moss

SLOPED ROOF FLASHINGS \ Chimney flashings

4. **Condition:** • [Damage, loose, open seams, patched](#)

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



Damage, loose, open seams, patched

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Inspection Method and Limitations

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Inspection performed:

- By walking on roof



By walking on roof



By walking on roof

General Info and Descriptions

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

Sloped roof flashing material: • Metal

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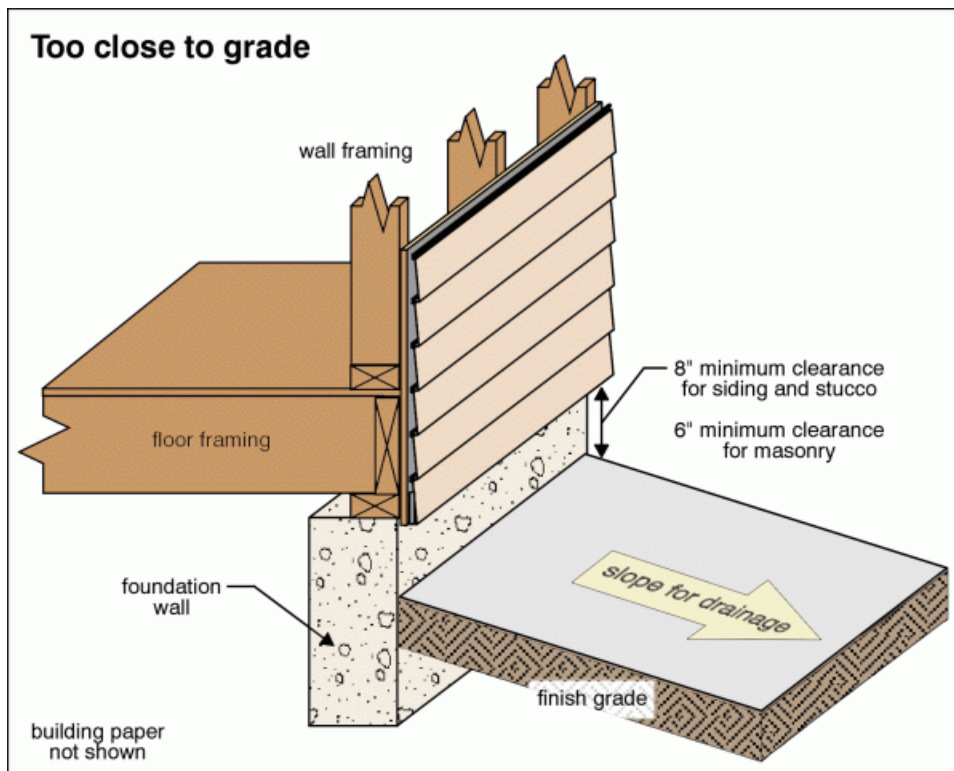
RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview

5. Condition: • Gutters and downspouts help to ensure dry basements and crawlspaces. The less water near the foundation, the lower the risk of water penetration into basement.

WALLS \ -Vinyl siding

6. Condition: • [Too close to grade](#)

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



Too close to grade



Too close to grade

EXTERIOR WINDOWS \ Frames

7. Condition: • Insect damage

Implication(s): Material deterioration

Location: Basement



Insect damage



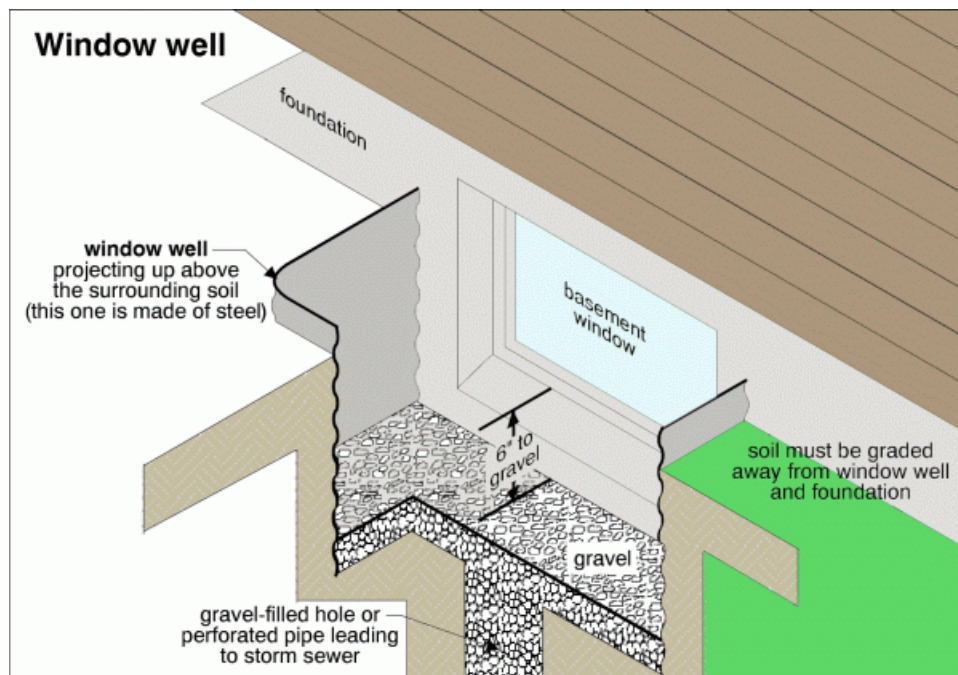
Insect damage

EXTERIOR WINDOWS \ Wells

8. Condition: • [Missing](#)

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to structure, finishes and contents | Material deterioration

Location: Rear



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Missing

DOORS \ Doors and frames

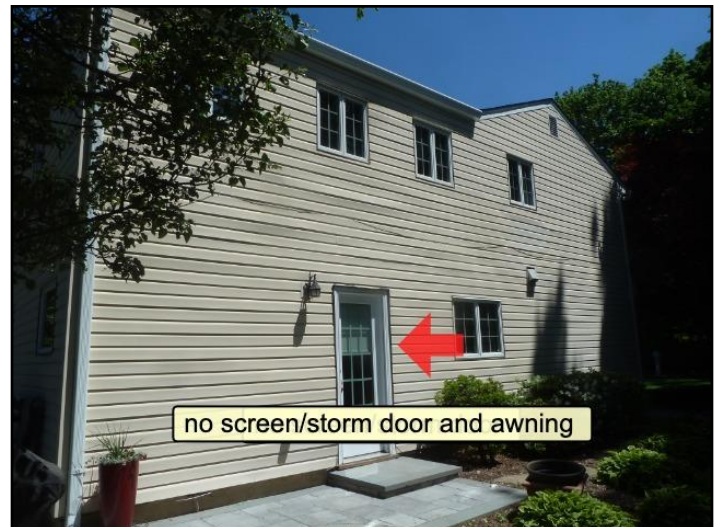
9. Condition: • [Rot](#)

Implication(s): Chance of damage to finishes and structure

Location: Left Side



Rot

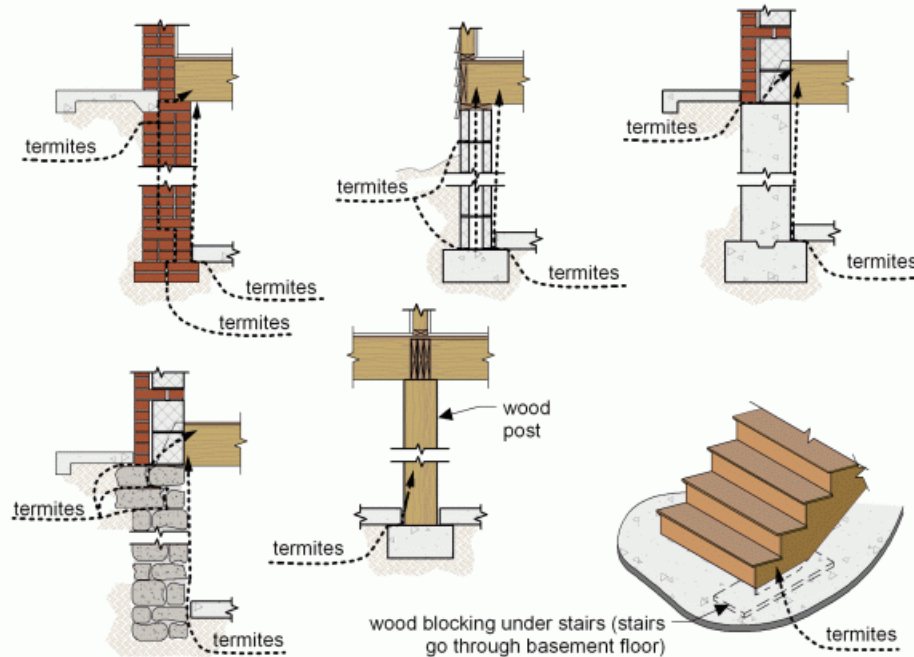


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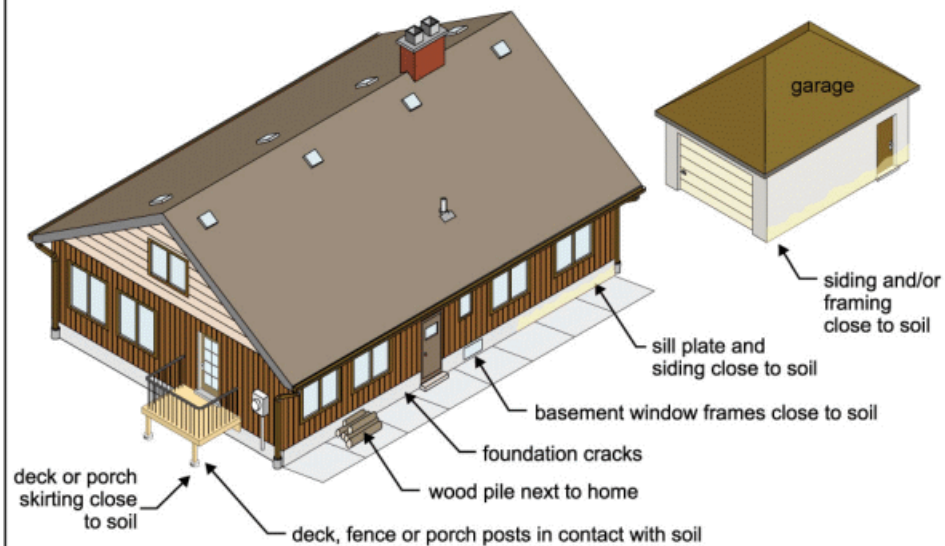
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Inspecting for subterranean termites - interior



Inspecting for subterranean termites – exterior



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termite baiting station around perimeter off house

Request termite disclosure and paperwork...



evidence of termite damage between basement and garage wall

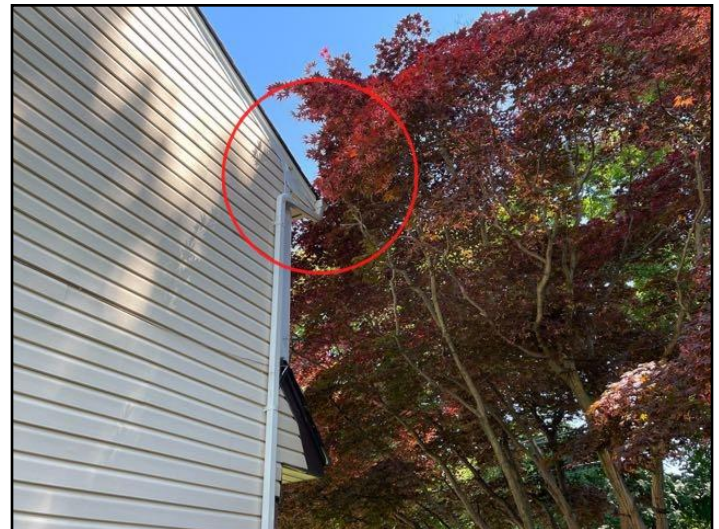
Request termite disclosure and paperwork...

11. Condition: • Trim tree branches



keep trees trimmed away from house

Trim tree branches



Trim tree branches

12. Condition: • Animal bating station

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Animal baiting station

GARAGE \ Vehicle doors

13. Condition: • [Missing safety cables through extension spring](#)

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



Missing safety cables through extension...

COMMENTS \ Additional

14. Condition: • See Home Reference Library on last page of report for more information and understanding of your new house.

15. Condition: • Photos are only a representative sample of condition observed. There may be other areas of concern not shown by photo but stated in the report as a recommendation.

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General Info and Descriptions

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

Gutter & downspout type:

- Close to house no soffits



Close to house no soffits

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

Lot slope: • [Flat](#)

Wall surfaces and trim:

- [Vinyl siding](#)

Siding close to ground is conducive to hidden moisture damage. Keep water away from foundation.



Brick Veneer

- Brick Veneer

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Garage:

- Attached



Storage in garage



Storage in garage

Garage vehicle door operator: • Present

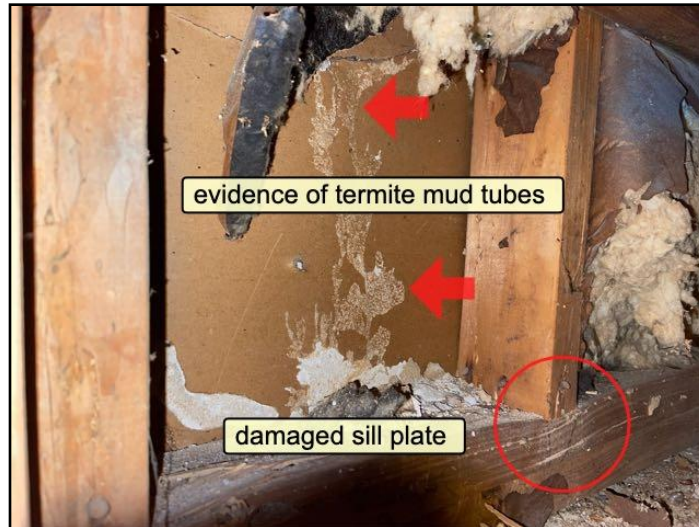
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16. Condition: • Termite mud tubes

Recommend asking seller for existing treatment contract.

Location: Basement

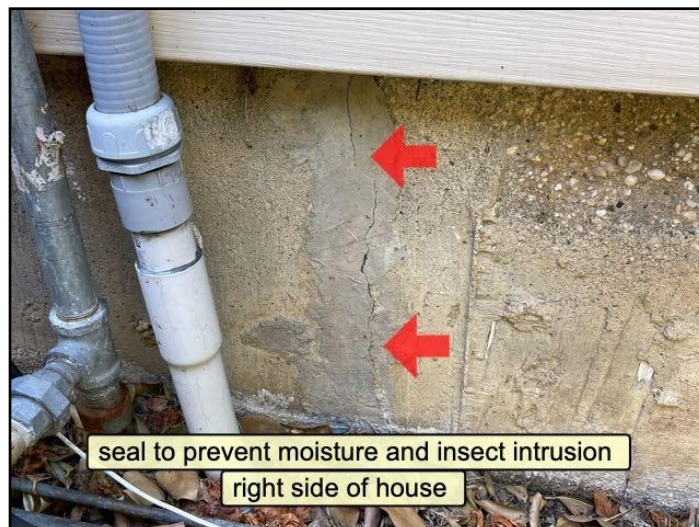


Termite mud tubes

FOUNDATIONS \ General notes

17. Condition: • Typical minor cracks

Implication(s): Chance of water entering building



Typical minor cracks

FLOORS \ Sills

18. Condition: • Termite damage

Replace damaged wood when renovating.

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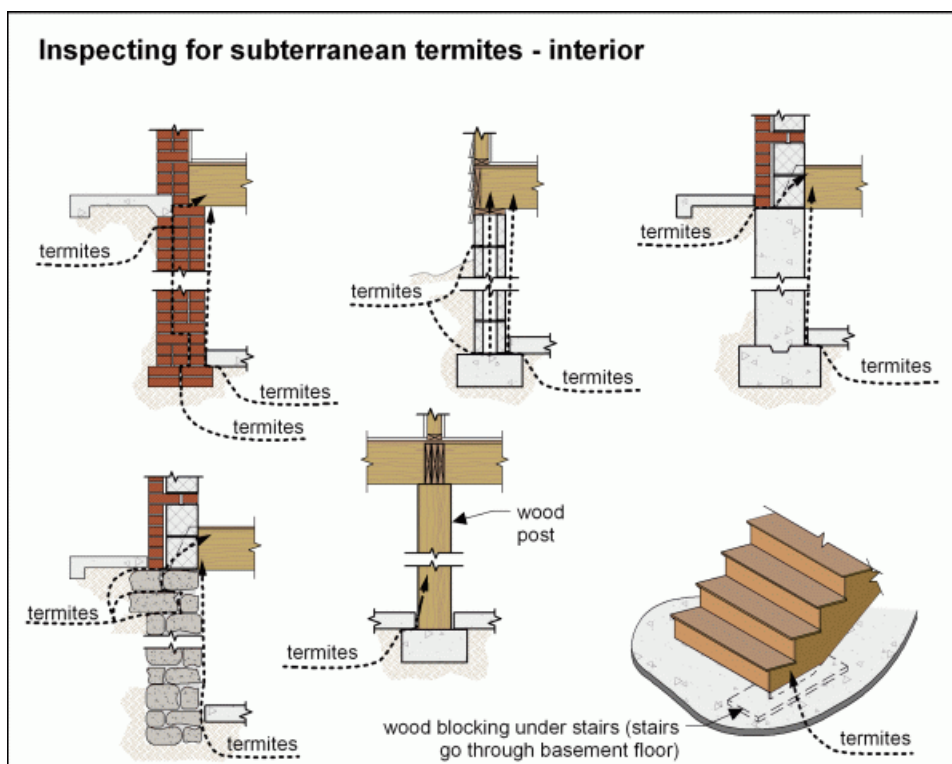
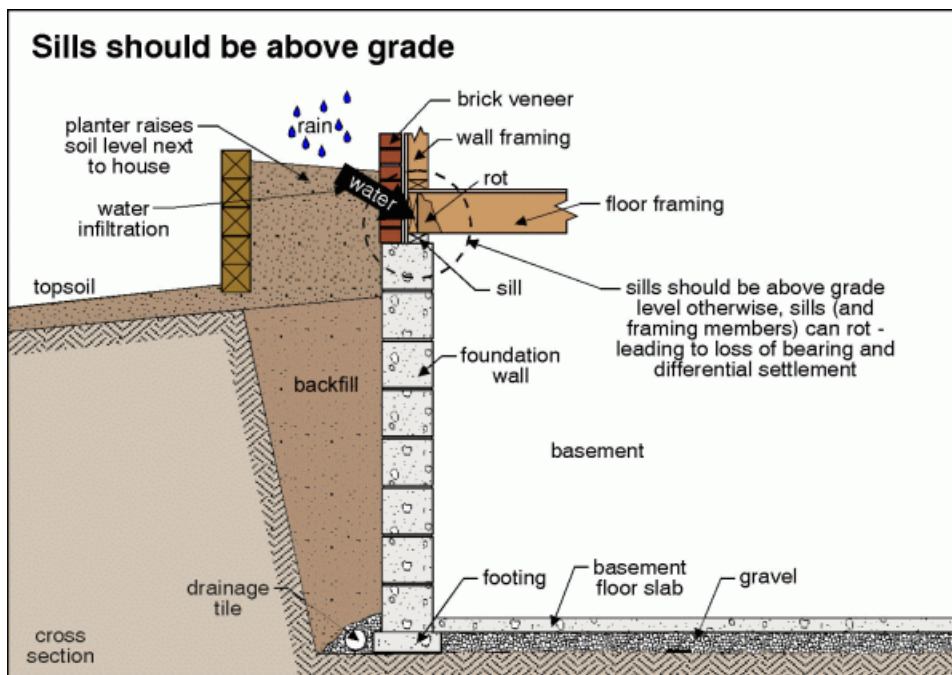
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Location: Basement





damaged sill plate under basement stairs

Termite damage

Inspection Method and Limitations

General: • Please note that an inspection is not a guarantee that you do not have termites or damage in visually inaccessible areas, such as inside walls or behind finished basement surfaces. Recommend an annual Termite and/or Carpenter Ant inspection.

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Ceiling, wall and floor coverings • Carpet/furnishings • Finished living space unable to do a visual inspection.

Not included as part of inspection: • Visible mold evaluation is not included in the building inspection report • An opinion about the adequacy of structural components

General Info and Descriptions

Configuration: • [Basement](#)

Foundation material: • [Poured concrete](#)

Floor construction: • [Joists](#)

Exterior wall construction: • [Wood frame](#)

Roof and ceiling framing: • Ceiling Joists • Rafters • [Plywood sheathing](#)

Observation and Recommendations

DISTRIBUTION \ Junction boxes

19. Condition: • Missing cover

Location: Attic



Missing cover

DISTRIBUTION \ Outlets

20. Condition: • [Ungrounded](#)

Implication(s): Electric shock

Location: Second Floor Bedroom



Ungrounded



Ungrounded

COMMENTS \ Additional

21. Condition: • See Home Reference Book located on last page of report for additional information and understanding of the systems in your home.

General Info and Descriptions

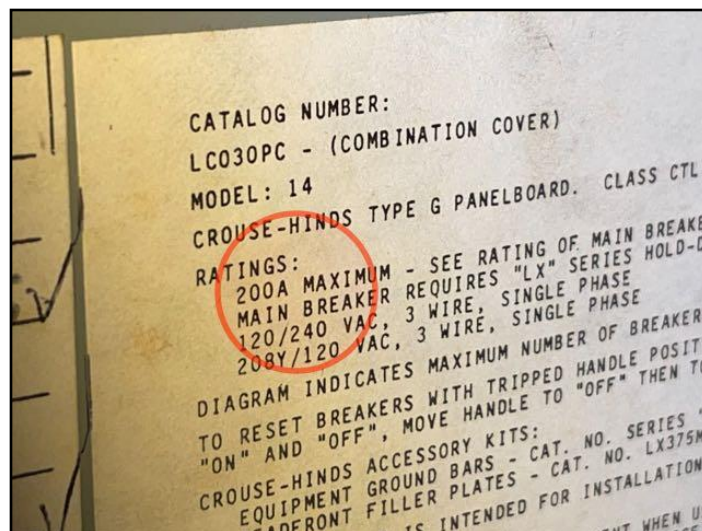
General: • More than 25% of all smoke detectors in homes do not operate properly. Recommend any smoke detectors that are over 10 years old or have damaged test buttons be replaced immediately.

Service size: • 125



Main disconnect/service box rating:

- [200 Amps](#)



200 Amps

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

Auxiliary and other:

- Generator



Generator



Generator

Type and number of outlets (receptacles): • Grounded and ungrounded - typical • Ground Fault outlets (GFCI) and/or breakers are required for safety, in all interior and exterior areas, where water will be in contact with an electrical power source. Ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) devices should be tested periodically to ensure they remain in proper working condition.

Smoke alarms (detectors): • Recommend replacing prior to moving in

Carbon monoxide (CO) alarms (detectors): • Recommend replacing prior to moving in

Observation and Recommendations

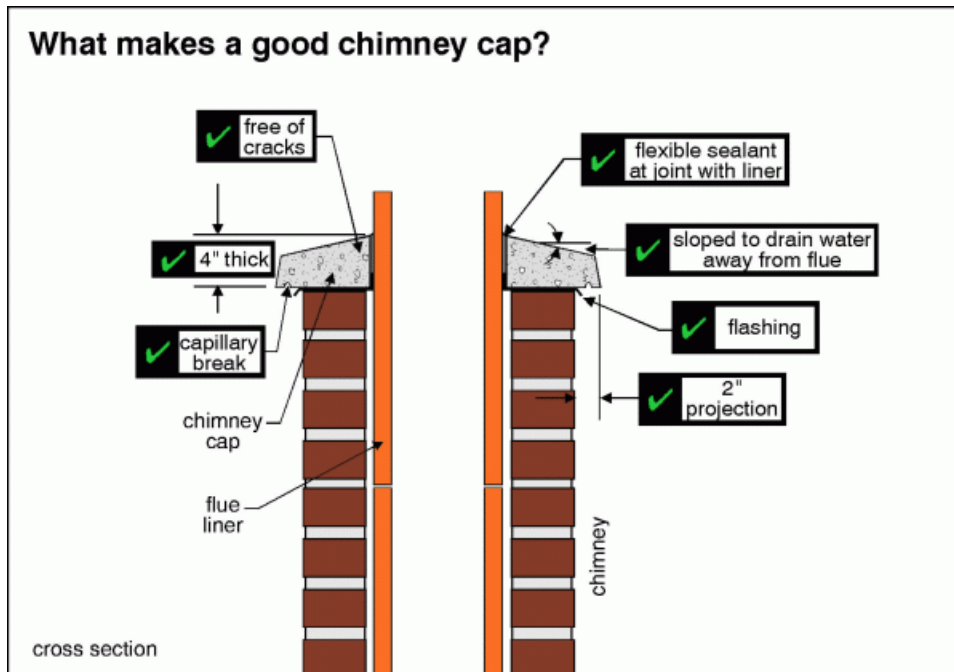
RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

22. Condition: • Recommend an annual service contract with a licensed heating contractor.

CHIMNEY \ Inspect/sweep

23. Condition: • Inspect (and/sweep if needed) before using. Recommend annual inspection.

Implication(s): Fire hazard



Inspection Method and Limitations

General: • Older houses with a masonry chimney need to be visually inspected by a professional chimney sweep to further evaluated condition of chimney prior to closing.

Not included as part of a building inspection: • Interiors of vent systems, flues, and chimneys

General Info and Descriptions

System type:

- [Boiler](#)

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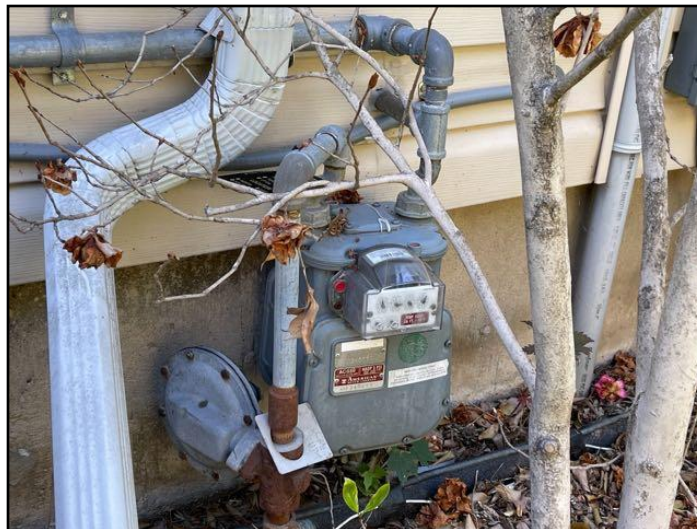
Boiler



Boiler

Fuel/energy source:

- [Gas](#)



Gas

Heat distribution: • [Radiators](#)

Exhaust venting method: • [Natural draft](#)

Main fuel shut off at: • Meter

Chimney/vent: • [Masonry](#)

Chimney liner: • [Clay](#)

Observation and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

24. Condition: • AC is old using R-22 freon in system. This freon will not be available in the near future and is very expensive. Budget for replacement of AC unit when needed.
Air handler in attic and compressor are 14 years old and using R22 refrigerant - budget for replacement when needed.



AC is old using R-22 freon in system. This...

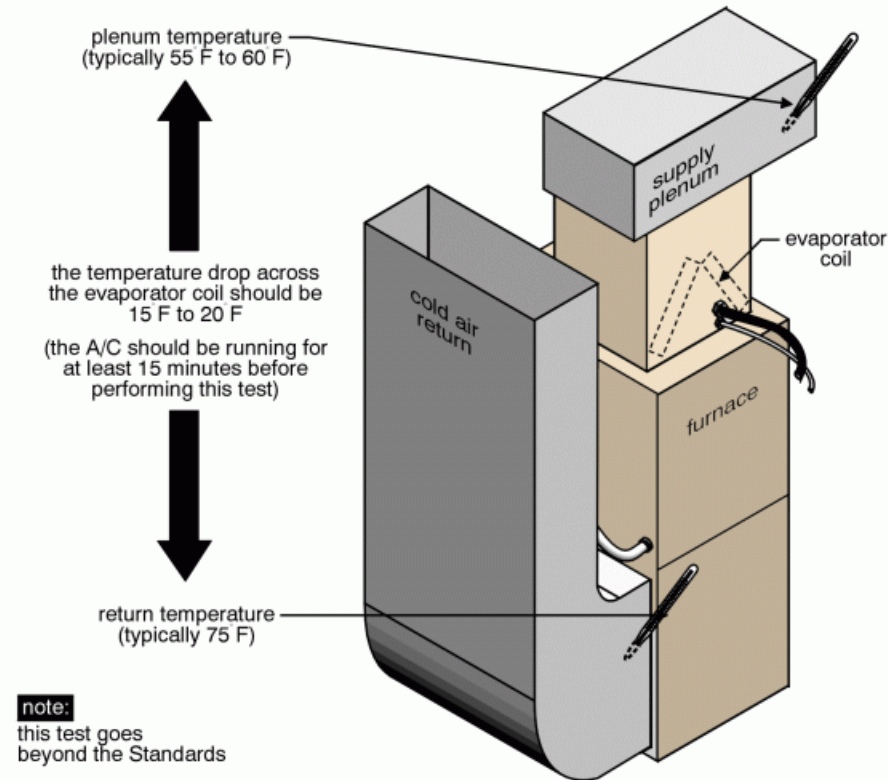
AIR CONDITIONING \ Compressor

25. Condition: • [Inadequate cooling](#)

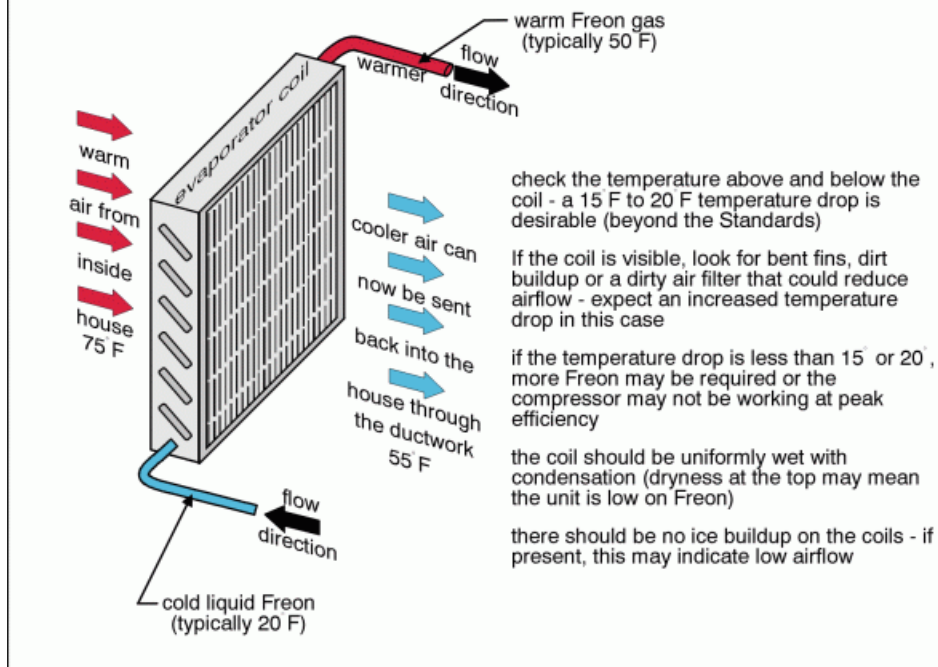
Air conditioner not working at time of inspection recommend further evaluation.

Implication(s): Increased cooling costs | Reduced comfort

Measure temperature drop across inside coil



Evaporator coil - inspection procedures



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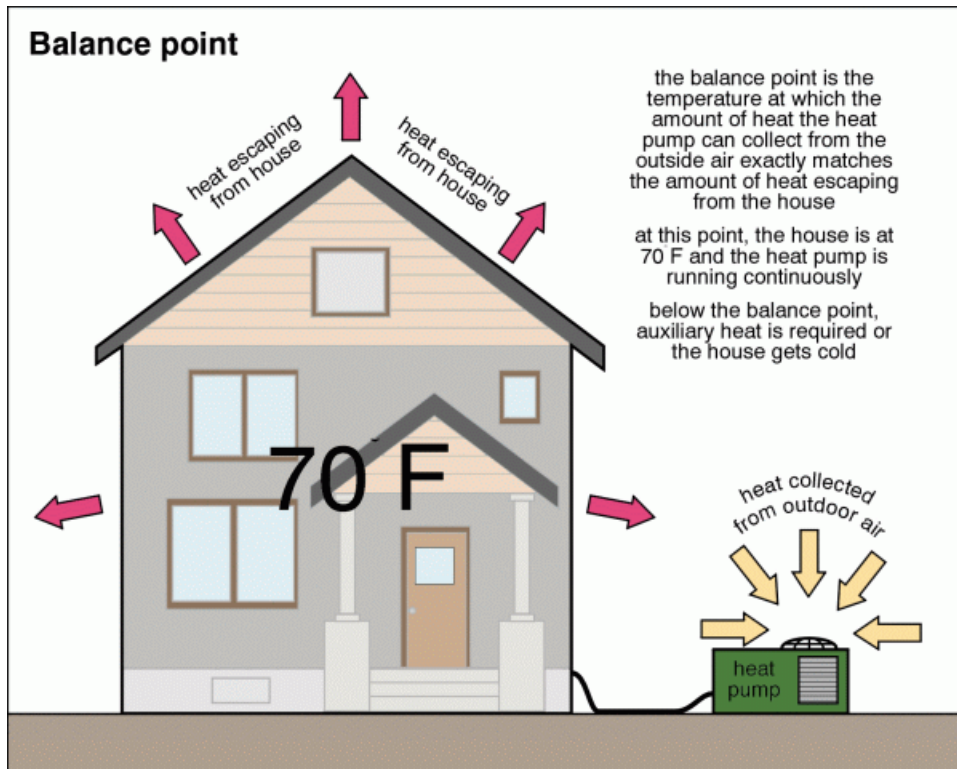
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Inadequate cooling

AIR CONDITIONING \ Refrigerant lines

26. Condition: • Insulation - missing

Implication(s): Reduced system life expectancy | Increased cooling costs | Reduced comfort

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Missing insulation on refrigerant line

Insulation - missing

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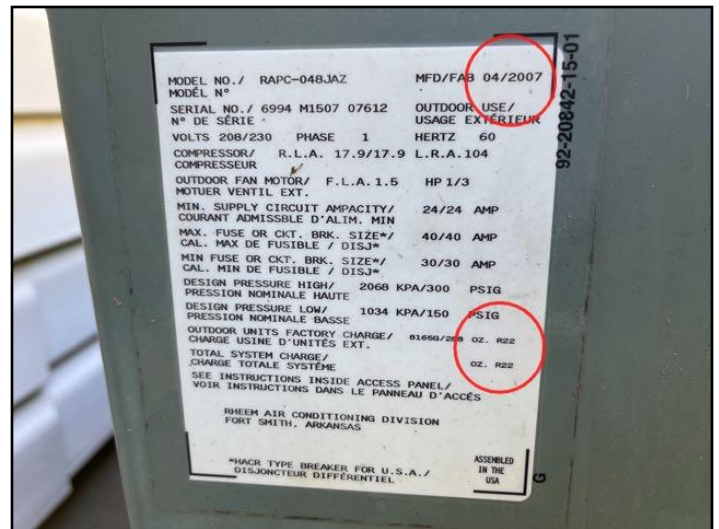
Air conditioning type: • Central

Manufacturer:

• Rheem



Rheem



Rheem

Compressor type: • Electric

Compressor approximate age: • 14 years

Typical life expectancy: • 10 to 15 years

Refrigerant type: • R-22

General Info and Descriptions

Attic/roof insulation material:

- [Glass fiber](#)



Glass fiber

- Blown loose fill insulation



Blown loose fill insulation

Attic/roof ventilation: • [Gable vent](#) • [Power ventilator](#)

Wall insulation material: • Not visible

Observation and Recommendations

RECOMMENDATIONS \ General

27. Condition: • Scope cesspools



Scope cesspools

SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Water main shut off valve

28. Condition: • [Leak](#)

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to structure, finishes and contents | No water

Location: Basement



Leak

SUPPLY PLUMBING \ Water distribution piping

29. Condition: • Corrosion

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to structure, finishes and contents | Leakage | Reduced system life expectancy
| Equipment failure

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Location: Basement



expansion tank piping corroded - water main

Corrosion

FIXTURES AND FAUCETS \ Sink

30. Condition: • [Slow drains](#)

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

Location: First/Second Floor Bathroom



Slow drains



Slow drains



Drain stop ineffective

Inspection Method and Limitations

General: • Recommend having sewer main scoped to determine condition of line prior to closing. Ask home owner when cesspool/septic system was last serviced request paperwork.

Inspection limited/prevented by:

- Main house trap not visible

UNABLE TO MAIN DRAIN AND HOUSE TRAP. RECOMMEND SCOPING MAIN SEWER LINE AND CESSPOOL PRIOR TO PURCHASE.



Main house trap not visible

Items excluded from a building inspection: • Water quality • Isolating/relief valves & main shut-off valve • Concealed plumbing • Tub/sink overflows • Water heater relief valves are not tested • The performance of floor drains or clothes washing machine drains • Landscape irrigation system • Cesspools not inspected. Recommend asking current home

owner for updated service maintenance contract. If unavailable have cesspool inspected prior to contract signing

Environmental issues are outside the scope of a home inspection: • This includes issues such as asbestos.

Not included as part of a building inspection: • Washing machine connections • Not readily accessible interiors of vent systems, flues, and chimneys • Landscape irrigation systems • Septic systems • Cesspool is beyond scope of home inspection

General Info and Descriptions

Water supply source (based on observed evidence): • Public

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

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

Main water shut off valve at the:

- Basement



Basement

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

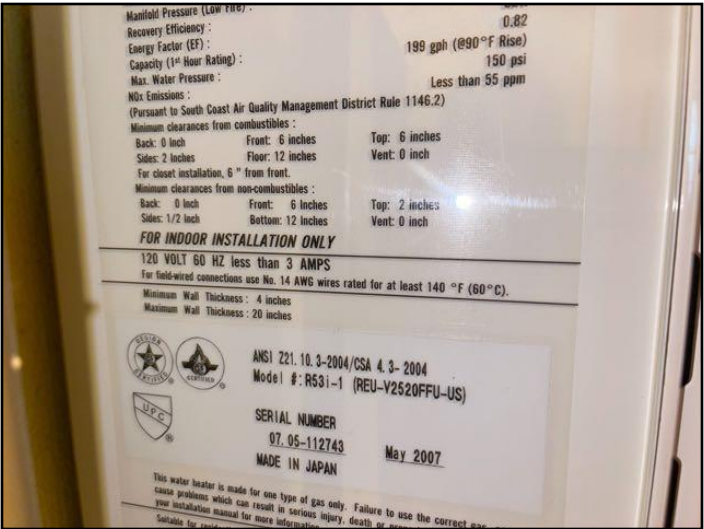
Water heater exhaust venting method: • Direct vent

Water heater manufacturer:

- Rinnai



Rinnai



Rinnai

Exterior hose bibb (outdoor faucet): • Frost free

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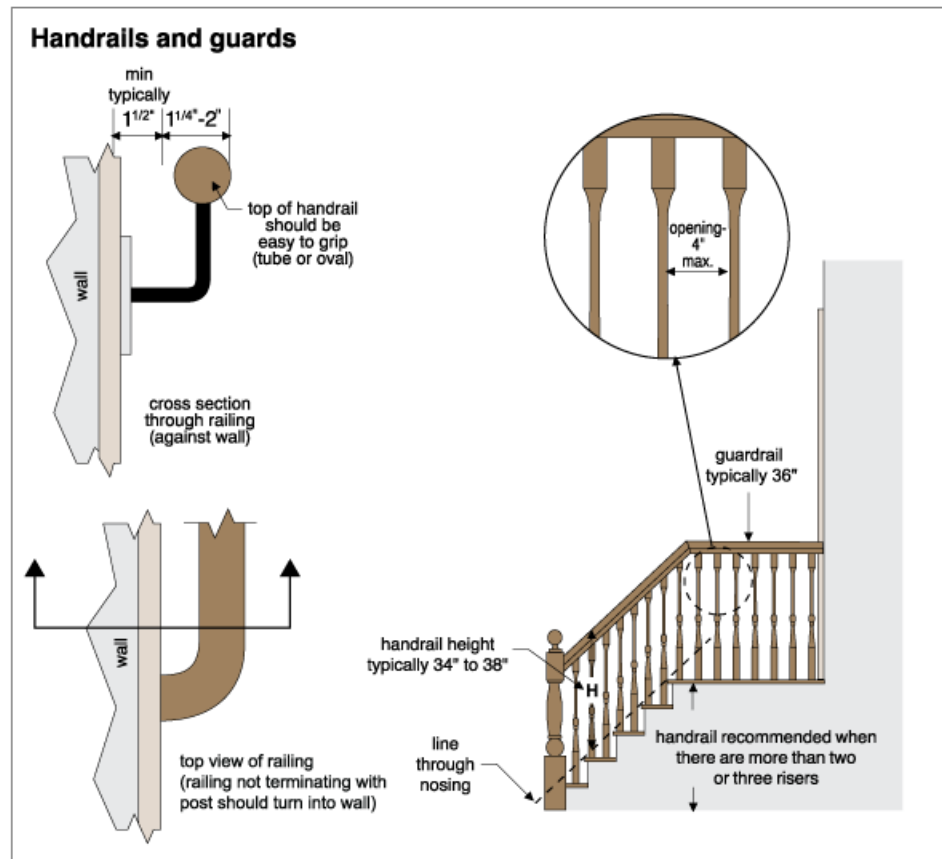
STAIRS \ Handrails and guards

31. Condition: • [Missing](#)

INSTALL FOR SAFETY

Implication(s): Fall hazard

Location: First Floor





Missing

Inspection Method and Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Storage/furnishings

Not tested: • Oven • Microwave • Dishwasher • Central vacuum

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 • Aesthetics or quality of finishes • Underground components (e.g., oil tanks, septic fields, underground drainage systems) • Environmental issues including asbestos

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

Environmental issues are outside the scope of a home inspection: • This includes issues such as asbestos. • Reference library is provided on last page of report. This will help in understanding how your new house functions and scheduled preventative maintenance items to consider. Enjoy and good luck with your new home.

All the best

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General Info and Descriptions

General:

- General view of interior system

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Major floor finishes: • [Hardwood](#)

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

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

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

Glazing: • [Double](#)

Exterior doors - type/material: • Hinged

Cooktop fuel: • Gas

Appliances: • Refrigerator • Range hood • Dishwasher • Cooktop • Wall Oven (or Oven)

Laundry facilities: • Washer • Dryer

Bathroom ventilation: • Exhaust fan • Window

Inventory Dishwasher: • KitchenAid

Inventory Dryer: • LG

Inventory Garage Door Opener: • Chamberlain/LiftMaster

Inventory Refrigerator: • Samsung

Inventory Wall Oven: • KitchenAid

Inventory Washing Machine: • LG

END OF REPORT

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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