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FOR THE PROPERTY AT: 27 Nelles Avenue Toronto, ON M6S 1T6

# PREPARED FOR: LEAH MONERAWELA

INSPECTION DATE: Sunday, September 22, 2019

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Dear Leah Monerawela,

RE: Report No. 2545, v.3 27 Nelles Avenue Toronto, ON M6S 1T6

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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.

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.

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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 focus of this inspection was not to list every minor flaw or deficiency. 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.

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

For Ballpark costs of various home components, please click here: http://www.inspectionlibrary.com/costs.htm

# Roofing

# **SLOPED ROOFING \ Asphalt shingles**

Condition: • Aging

Typical Life Expectancy for this type of roof covering is 13-17 years. The current roof is approximately 20 years and is aging. Advanced deterioration noted at South side of roof which typical due to sun exposure. **Location**: Throughout Exterior Roof **Task**: Replace

Time: Within 2 years

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# Exterior

# LANDSCAPING \ Lot grading

Condition: • Low Areas. Water has recently infiltrated the basement via the east and west exterior walls. Grading or damproofing solutions are required at both these locations. Location: East and west Exterior Wall Task: Upgrade/repair Time: As Soon As Possible Cost: Depends on approach

# Electrical

## DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Knob-and-tube wiring

## Condition: • Outdated

Knob and Tube wiring was observed. The electrical panel contains modern wiring, however these are likely connected in junction boxes with older knob and tube. Knob and tube wiring was installed pre-1950 in all homes. Most of the wiring in the home is behind walls and ceilings and not observed.

The ESA authority does not consider this wiring unsafe. However, Knob and tube wiring is an insurance issue as many insurers require that this wiring be upgraded. Some insurers will require an audit to estimate the percentage of knob and tube wiring still present. Consult with your insurance company for their requirements and/or acceptable limits **Implication(s)**: Potential problem when obtaining home insurance | Nuisance

Location: Various Task: Upgrade Time: As soon as possible Cost: \$1500 per room

# Cooling & Heat Pump

# AIR CONDITIONING \ Life expectancy

Condition: • Past life expectancy Implication(s): Reduced comfort | Equipment failure Location: Rear Yard Task: Replace Time: When necessary / Unpredictable Cost: \$3000 and up

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# Interior

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview**

Condition: • Evidence of basement leakage was noted. Location: Various Basement Task: Repair Time: As Soon As Possible Cost: Consult with Specialist

#### BASEMENT \ Wet basement - evidence

#### Condition: • Dampness on floor or walls

High moisture levels were found along the East and West exterior walls as well as residual moisture found wicking at centrally located walls. The source of the moisture is impossible to determine during a non-invasive. home inspection. Further evaluation is required.

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

Location: Various Basement

Task: Further evaluation

Time: As Soon As Possible

#### $\textbf{Condition:} \bullet \underline{\textsf{Mold}}$

The evaluation and analysis of mold is outside the scope of a home inspection. Mold was noted in various areas of the basement. Further Evaluation is recommended. EDIT SEPT 27 - Seller advises that they have addressed some of the mold issues. We did not verify as mold/air quality issues are outside our scope of work.

Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure | Contaminants may enter building air Location: Various Basement

Task: Further Evaluation / Remove Time: As needed Cost: Outside our scope of work

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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# ROOFING

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Descriptions

The home is considered to face : • North

Sloped roofing material: 
 Asphalt shingles

Probability of leakage: • Medium

ROOFING

Approximate age: • 20 years

# **Observations and Recommendations**

## **SLOPED ROOFING \ Asphalt shingles**

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INSULATION

1. Aging

# 2. Aging

# Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection performed: • With binoculars from the ground

# **EXTERIOR**

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Gutter & downspout material: • <u>Aluminum</u>												
Gutter & downspout discharge: • <u>Above grade</u>												
Lot slope:	<u>Towards</u>	building • Fla	at									
Wall surfa	Wall surfaces and trim: • Brick											
Wall surfa	Wall surfaces - masonry: • Brick											

# **Observations and Recommendations**

## WALLS \ Masonry (brick, stone) and concrete

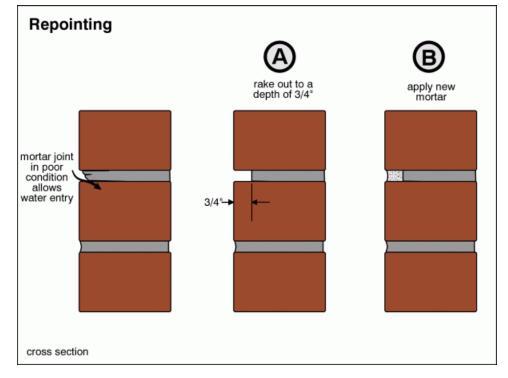
Condition: • Mortar deterioration

Implication(s): Chance of structural movement | Weakened structure | Chance of water entering building

Location: Various Exterior Wall

Task: Tuck-point

Time: Regular maintenance



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3. Mortar deterioration

4. Mortar deterioration



5. Mortar deterioration

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6. Low Areas.

7. Low Areas.

# Inspection Methods and Limitations

Inspection limited/prevented by: • Storage in garage • Poor access under steps, deck, porch

Upper floors inspected from: • Ground level

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Descriptions	
Configuration: • Basement	
Foundation material: • Stone	
Floor construction:	
• <u>Joists</u> • Subfloor - plank	
Exterior wall construction: • Masonry	
Roof and ceiling framing:	
<u>Rafters/roof joists</u> <u>Plank sheathing</u>	



9. Plank sheathing

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# Inspection Methods and Limitations

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

Attic/roof space: • Inspected from access hatch

Percent of foundation not visible: • 99 %

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#### **Descriptions**

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



**10.** Breakers - basement

Distribution panel type and location: • <u>Breakers - basement</u> Distribution panel rating: • <u>125 Amps</u> Distribution wire material and type: • <u>Copper - non-metallic sheathed</u> • <u>Copper - knob and tube</u> Type and number of outlets (receptacles): • <u>Grounded - upgraded</u> • <u>Ungrounded - typical</u> Circuit interrupters: Ground Fault (GFCI) & Arc Fault (AFCI): • <u>GFCI - bathroom</u> Smoke alarms (detectors): • <u>Present</u>

# Observations and Recommendations

#### DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Knob-and-tube wiring

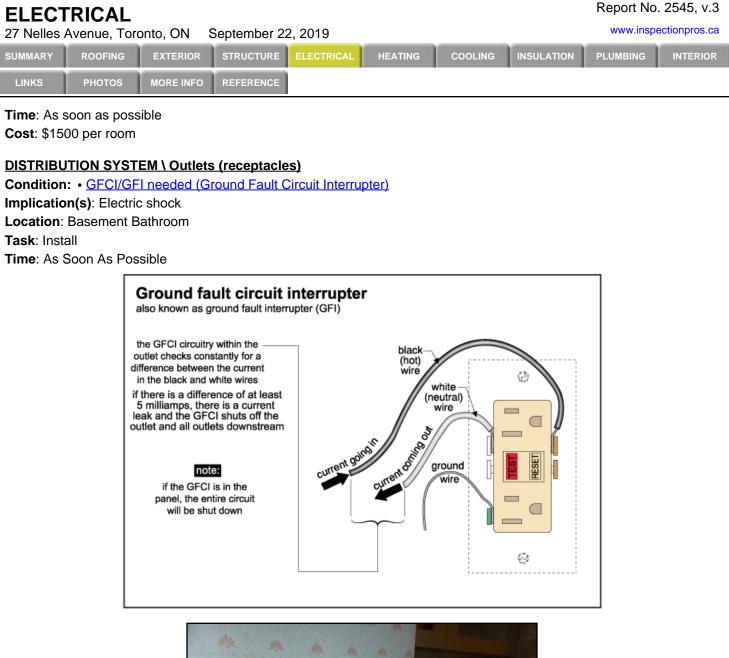
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Location: Various

Task: Upgrade





11. GFCI/GFI needed (Ground Fault Circuit...

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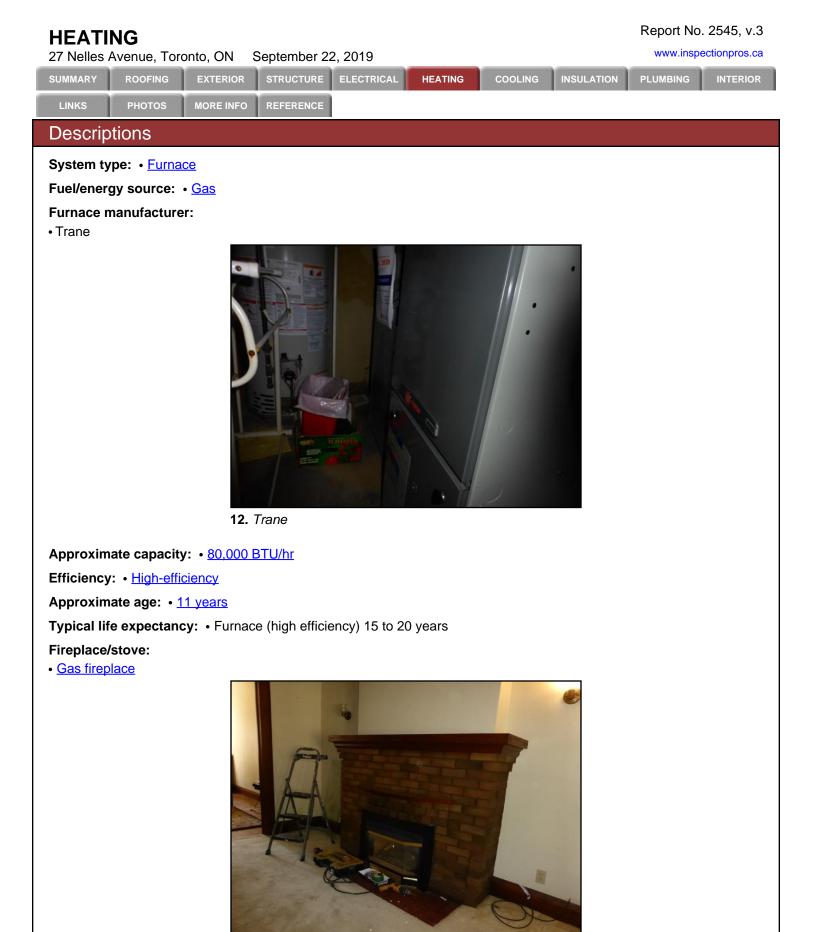
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#### DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM \ Smoke alarms (detectors)

**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



13. Gas fireplace

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# HEATING

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# Observations and Recommendations

#### General

• 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

#### **GAS FURNACE \ Mechanical air filter**

Condition: • Dirty Implication(s): Increased heating costs | Reduced comfort Location: Basement Furnace Room Task: Replace Time: Immediate



14. Dirty

# 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

#### Manufacturer:

Rheem



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Cooling capacity: • 24,000 BTU/hr

Compressor approximate age: • 31 years

Typical life expectancy: • 12 to15 years

# **Observations and Recommendations**

## AIR CONDITIONING \ Life expectancy

Condition: • Past life expectancy Implication(s): Reduced comfort | Equipment failure Location: Rear Yard Task: Replace Time: When necessary / Unpredictable Cost: \$3000 and up

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16. Past life expectancy

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# Inspection Methods and Limitations

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

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# **INSULATION AND VENTILATION**

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Descriptions												
Attic/roof insulation material: • Glass fiber												
Attic/roof	Attic/roof insulation amount/value: • R-12											
Attic/roof	Attic/roof air/vapor barrier: • None found											
Attic/roof	Attic/roof ventilation:  • Roof vent											

# **Observations and Recommendations**

# ATTIC/ROOF \ Insulation

# Condition: Amount inadequate

The attic insulation has not been upgraded since the house was built. Topping up insulation levels and installing vapor barrier would improve energy efficiency in the home.

Implication(s): Increased heating and cooling costs

Location: Attic

Task: Improve

Time: As Soon As Possible



17. Amount inadequate

# ATTIC/ROOF \ Air/vapor barrier

Condition: • Missing

Vapor barrier should be installed before upgrading attic insulation.

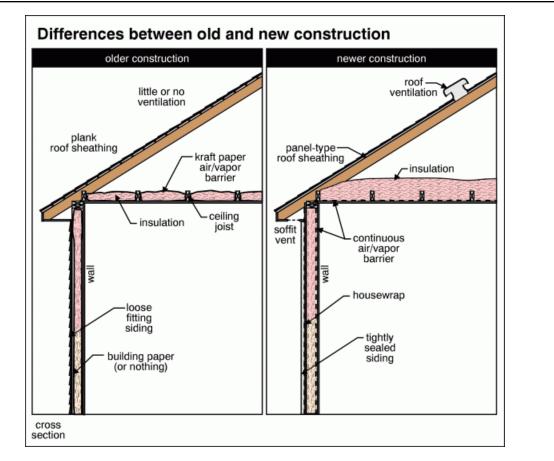
Implication(s): Chance of condensation damage to finishes and/or structure | Increased heating and cooling costs | Reduced comfort

Location: Attic

Time: As Needed

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# **Inspection Methods and Limitations**

Inspection prevented by no access to: • Walls, which were spot checked only

Attic inspection performed: • From access hatch

Roof ventilation system performance: 
 Not evaluated

Air/vapor barrier system: • No Vapor barrier.

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Descriptions
Service piping into building: • <u>Not visible</u>
Supply piping in building: • <u>Copper</u>
Main water shut off valve at the: Front of the basement
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Nater flow and pressure:  • <u>Typical for neighborhood</u>
Nater heater type: • Conventional • Rental
Nater heater fuel/energy source: • Gas
Nater heater tank capacity:       • 33.3 gallons
Water heater approximate age: • 11 years
Water heater typical life expectancy:       • 10 to 15 years         Master and yeart mining in huilding:       Netwisible
Waste and vent piping in building: • <u>Not visible</u> Floor drain location: • None found
Observations and Recommendations
<b>WATER HEATER \ Life expectancy</b> <b>Condition:</b> • <u>Near end of life expectancy</u> Rental Water Heater is at end of life expectancy. Contact rental provider to replace appliance if required. <b>mplication(s)</b> : No hot water

Location: Basement Task: Replace Time: If necessary

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WASTE PLUMBING \ Drain piping - performance										
Condition: • Sewage backup insurance is recommended.										
Implication(s): drainage and/or leakage problems										
Location: Basement										
Task: Provide										
Time: Immediate										
Time: Immediate Condition: • Drain line video camera inspection recommended Implication(s): Drainage and/or leakage problems Location: Basement Task: Camera inspection Time: Immediate										

# Inspection Methods and Limitations

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

Items excluded from a building inspection: • Water quality • Isolating/relief valves & main shut-off valve • Concealed plumbing • Tub/sink overflows

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## Descriptions

Major floor finishes: • Carpet • Hardwood • Resilient • Ceramic

Major wall and ceiling finishes: • Plaster/drywall

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

Glazing: • Single • Double

Exterior doors - type/material: • Hinged • Wood

Evidence of basement leakage: • Present • Efflorescence • Stains • Dampness • Mold • Musty or damp odor • Drywall/plaster damage • Dehumidifier in basement

# **Observations and Recommendations**

#### General

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

Work in Progress Observed

Cosmetic improvements were being performed at the time of inspection. Location: Throughout



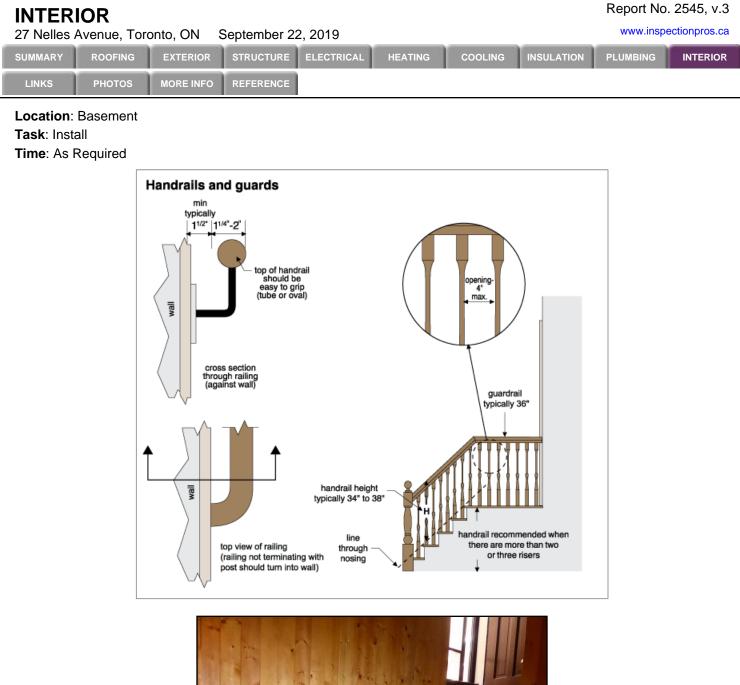
**19.** Work in Progress Observed

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS \ Overview**

**Condition:** • Evidence of basement leakage was noted. Location: Various Basement Task: Repair Time: As Soon As Possible Cost: Consult with Specialist

#### **STAIRS \ Handrails and guards**

Condition: • Missing Implication(s): Fall hazard





20. Missing

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#### **EXHAUST FANS \ Duct**

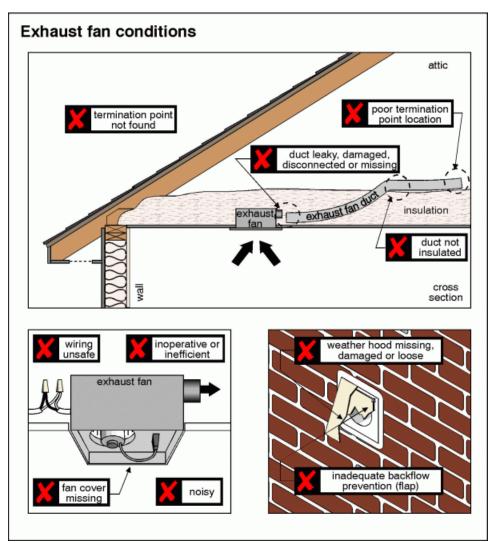
#### Condition: • Not insulated in unconditioned space

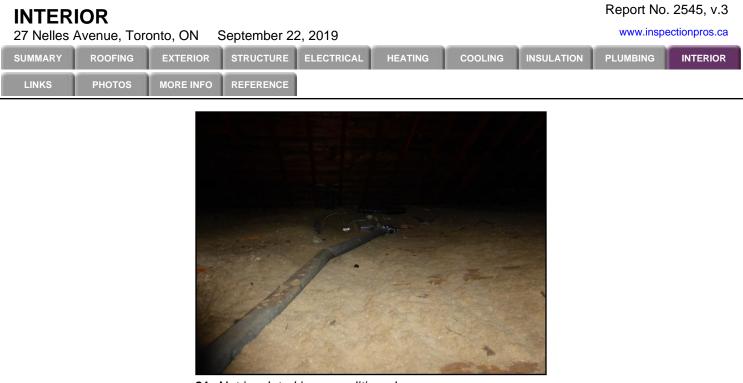
Metal bathroom exhaust duct is not insulated in the attic. Duct should be insulated to protect against moister damage. Implication(s): Chance of condensation damage to finishes and/or structure

Location: Attic

Task: Provide

Time: As Needed





21. Not insulated in unconditioned space

Condition: • Not vented to exterior

Implication(s): Chance of condensation damage to finishes and/or structure Location: Basement Bathroom Kitchen Task: Install Time: As Required



22. Not vented to exterior



23. Not vented to exterior

#### BASEMENT \ Leakage

**Condition:** • <u>Leakage - Read these articles before undertaking any action</u> **Implication(s)**: Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure

#### **BASEMENT \ Wet basement - evidence**

Condition: 
• Dampness on floor or walls

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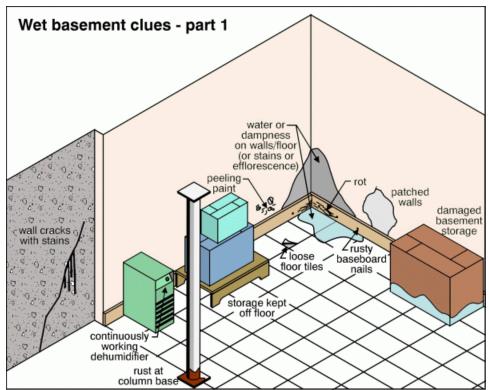
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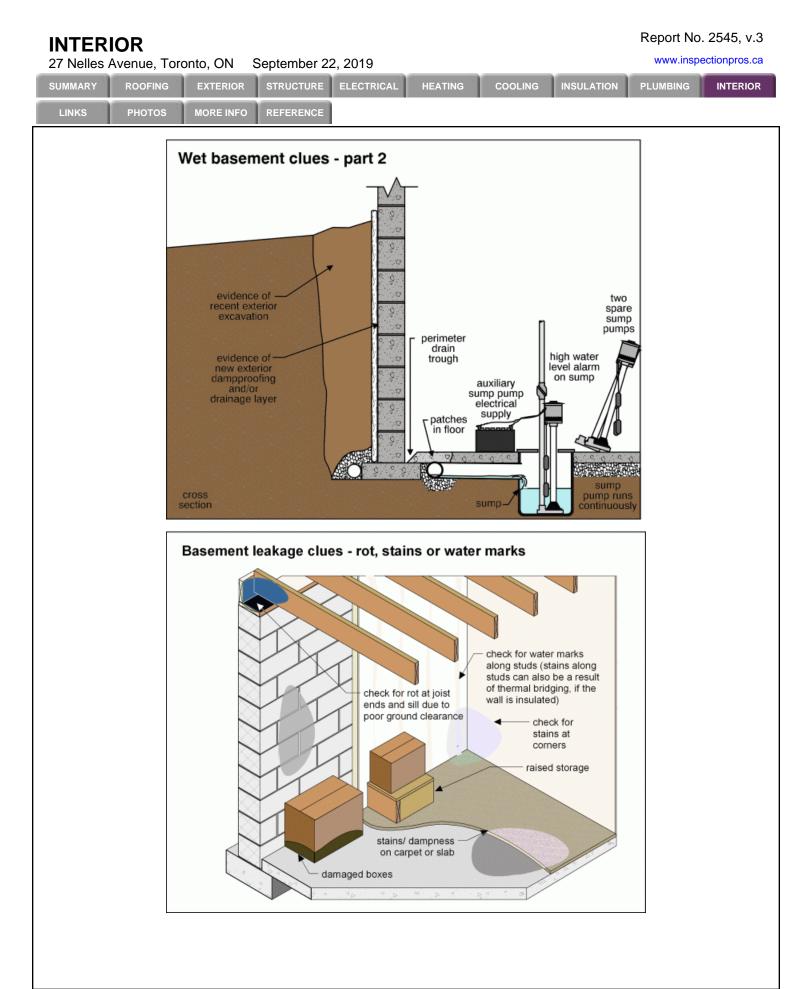
Location: Various Basement

Task: Further evaluation

Time: As Soon As Possible



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24. Dampness on floor or walls

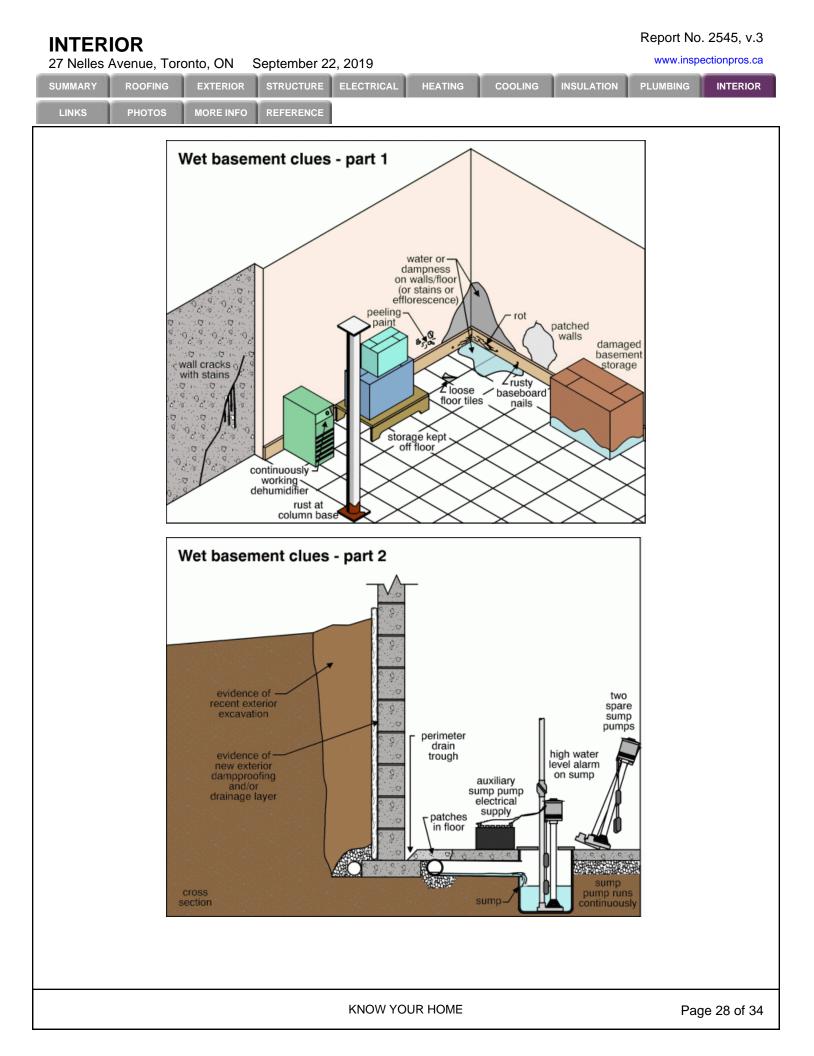


**25.** Dampness on floor or walls



26. Dampness on floor or walls

Condition: • Efflorescence click blue link for more information. Implication(s): Chance of water damage to contents, finishes and/or structure Location: Basement Various Task: Remove/Clean Time: As Needed



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#### Condition: • Mold

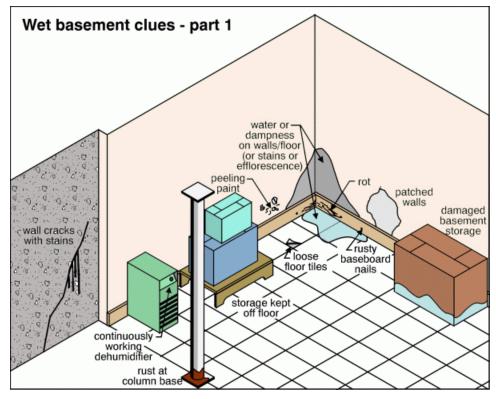
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Task: Further Evaluation / Remove

Time: As needed

Cost: Outside our scope of work



#### BASEMENT \ Wet basements - corrective action noted

Condition: • Dehumidifier in basement

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

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27. Dehumidifier in basement

#### **BASEMENT \ Wet basements - vulnerability**

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**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:** • The evaluation of Mold is outside the scope of a home inspection. If the appearance of mold is observed during the normal procedure of the home inspection, it will be noted for further evaluation. If mold is not observed, it does not mean it is not present. It may be in an area that was not observed during the inspection.

**Inspection limited/prevented by:** • Carpet • Storage/furnishings • New finishes/paint • 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 • Floor coverings

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: • 99 %

**Basement leakage:** • Cannot predict how often or how badly basement will leak • Storage in basement severely limited inspection

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## Descriptions

General: • The Inspection Professionals Website

**General:** • Low concentrations of CO can go undetected and can contribute to ongoing, unidentified illnesses. At high concentrations, it can be deadly.

**General:** • <u>Serious structural problems in houses are not very common, but when they occur they are never cheap to fix.</u> 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.

**General:** • <u>There are so many home maintenance and repair items that are important; it can be confusing trying to</u> establish which are the most critical.

General: • (Life Cycles and Costs)

**General:** • <u>This report will deal with the simpler topic of home repair--basically replacing things that are worn out or fixing</u> things that are broken.

General: • Common Building Technical Terms Explained

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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:** • <u>Most roofs are susceptible to ice dams under the right weather conditions. This is where ice forms</u> 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.

Insulation Amounts - Current Standards: • Attic and roof space: R-40 (R-50 if electric heat)

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**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. • <u>Click</u> 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:** • <u>A list of things you should do when moving into your new home and a few regular</u> maintenance items.

**Maintenance:** • <u>Scheduled maintenance can avoid repairs and extend the life expectancy of many home components.</u> This document helps you look after your home.

**When Things Go Wrong:** • <u>Unpleasant surprises are unfortunately part of homeownership. This document helps to</u> explain why things happen and why your home inspector may not have predicted it.

**Standards of Practice:** • <u>This document sets out what a professional home inspection should include, and guides the</u> activities of our inspectors.

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Report No. 2545, v.3 REFERENCE LIBRARY www.inspectionpros.ca 27 Nelles Avenue, Toronto, ON September 22, 2019 ROOFING STRUCTURE COOLING INSULATION PLUMBING PHOTOS MORE INFO REFERENCE 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. 01. ROOFING, FLASHINGS AND CHIMNEYS  $(\gg)$ 02. EXTERIOR (>>) $(\gg)$ 03. STRUCTURE 04. ELECTRICAL ()(>>)05. HEATING  $(\gg)$ 06. COOLING/HEAT PUMPS  $(\gg)$ 07. INSULATION (>>)08. PLUMBING  $(\gg)$ 09. INTERIOR  $(\gg)$ **10. APPLIANCES 11. LIFE CYCLES AND COSTS**  $(\mathbf{x})$ **12. SUPPLEMENTARY** Asbestos Radon Urea Formaldehyde Foam Insulation (UFFI) Lead Carbon Monoxide Mold Household Pests **Termites and Carpenter Ants 13. HOME SET-UP AND MAINTENANCE 14. MORE ABOUT HOME INSPECTIONS** 

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