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Client Name: report example English

Client's Agent: Real Estate Company:



We attempt to give the client a comprehensive, clear-cut, unbiased view of the home. The purpose of this inspection is to identify 'MAJOR' problems associated with the property being purchased or sold, although minor items may also be mentioned. Areas, which may be of concern to us, may not be of concern to the client and some items, which may be of concern to the client, may be considered minor to us. Therefore, it is advisable to read the entire report.

Where repairs or replacements are suggested, we recommend licensed professionals in that field be called upon to make those repairs. We can perform verification of repairs to ensure repairs or corrections were made and also advise the client to obtain all paperwork from professionals concerning the work performed. These professionals will be happy to provide you with written statements concerning their work. We further recommend maintaining all paperwork on repairs for future reference.

FUTURE FAILURE: Items in the home can and do experience failure without prior indications. This report is a snap shot of the condition of the home at the time of inspection. We cannot determine if or when an item will experience failure. Therefore, we cannot be held responsible for future failure. Carbon monoxide and smoke detectors have been proven to save lives. Client is advised to install carbon monoxide and smoke detectors if not already present in home. Suggest consulting with your local municipality and manufacture specifications as to the proper location and installation of these units.

#### **TERMS DEFINITION**

Please take the time to analyze the following pages contained herein. This is your complete inspection report and must be reviewed carefully. Below is an index of the ratings used in this report.

- Servicable: The item was inspected. The item was in good condition and functional at time of inspection.
- Not present: The item was not present at the time of inspection.
- Not inspected: The item was not inspected due to inaccessibility, personal items, temperature, weather conditions or the item is not within the scope of the inspection.
- **Not operated:** The system or component was not operated due inaccessibility, temperature, weather conditions or the item is not within the scope of the inspection.
- *Minor case:* The item was inspected and found to be deficient in some respect or in the inspector's opinion; maintenance needs to be performed.
- Major case: The item was inspected and found to have deficiencies: was operating incorrectly or
  installed improperly, is a possible health, fire or safety concern, or in the inspector's opinion is at or
  near the end of its useful life.
- Safety: A system or component which is judged to be a significant risk of personal injury during normal day-to-day use. The risk may be due to damage, deterioration, improper installation or a change in accepted residential building standards.
- Maintenance required: The item was in good condition and functional at time of inspection but if
  maintenance is not done, the item will be affected and could potentially become defective.
- Improvement recommended: The item was in good condition and functional at time of inspection but improvement could be performed. These improvements will translate in savings and/or a better performance of the item. Without this improvement, the item should continue functioning normally.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

MAJOR SYSTEMS Our evaluation of major systems is both visual and functional provided power and/or fuel is supplied to the component. Identifying or testing for the presence of asbestos, radon, lead-based products, or other potentially hazardous materials is not within the scope of this report. Judging the sufficiency of water flow in plumbing or the cooling efficiency of air conditioning is a subjective evaluation, therefore, we only note a poor condition if, in the inspector's opinion, the adequacy seems to be less than normal. There is a time period from inspection to closing that varies with each property. We can only state condition at time of inspection. Therefore, we urge you to evaluate and operate all major systems prior to closing.

This inspection does NOT take in account product / component or system recalls. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to determine if any system or component is currently or will be part of any recall in the future. Client may wish to subscribe or contact the CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission) web site for recall information regarding any system or component.

### What is infrared thermography imaging

Infrared thermography is the process of capturing and analyzing thermal data from thermal imaging devices without physical contact. **Thermography (infrared imaging) will not see through wall.** In simpler word, Infrared thermography will study heat distribution on a structure's surface and give you the materials surface temperature. All materials on earth emit heat energy in the portion of the energy spectrum, but the human eye cannot see this energy. An infrared camera not only records infrared images but also accurately measures the temperature variations of building materials.

There are a lot of different factors that could give faulty data such as object emissivity and the reflected temperature. It is important to have a qualified specialist that will be able to interpret the images properly. To get good results it is important to have at least a temperature differential of 5 degrees Celsius or more between the interior and exterior of the house. For optimal results, it is preferable to have a 10 degrees Celsius differential or more.

Thermography does not guaranty that we will find hidden problems such as moisture, water infiltration or heat lost. **Thermography does NOT detect Molds.** 

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This is a limited review of many areas in this home. Home was occupied at time of inspection. Efforts were made to inspect as much as possible; however due to the presence of personal items, many areas are not visible or accessible. Furniture, clothes, and other personal items are not moved for the inspection.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

In Attendance: Buyer(s), Buyers Agent

This property is occupied by the

Occupancy: buyers

Property Information: Single Family home

This structure is approximately 16

Estimated Age: years of age

Exterior Weather Conditions: Cloudy with rain

Interior temperature was 20 degrees

Interior Conditions: Celsius, Relative humidity was 45%

Was used from the interior on all the

external walls and from inside on all

Infrared camera: ceilings

Start Time: 1:00 PM

Stop Time: 3:30 PM

Step #

**Component** 

## **Exterior**

Our exterior evaluation is visual in nature and is based on our experience and understanding of common building methods and materials. Our review does not take into consideration the normal wear associated with virtually all properties. Exterior surfaces should be kept well painted, stained or sealed to prevent deterioration. Grading & adjacent surfaces should be maintained and pitched away from the foundation to reduce the chances of water infiltration. The inspection of the exposed foundation / structure is not a proof of attestation of "construction code compliance" and the "manufacturer's specifications" for installation and repairs are not part of the inspection.

Driveway:	Exterior Wall Cladding:	Window & Frames:
Gravel	Vinyl siding	PVC frame
Exterior Door(s):	Soffit / Facia:	Foundation / Type:
PVC frame	Aluminum	Concrete

1.0	Driveway	Serviceable.
1.1 (1)	Exterior Wall Cladding	Minor Case. Home is covered with vinyl Siding. The inspector is unable to view the condition of covered areas. It is important to keep siding well caulked and sealed to prevent moisture penetration.
1.1 (2)	Exterior Wall Cladding	Minor Case. We notice openings/ holes in wall cladding. It is important to keep cladding well caulked and sealed to prevent moisture penetration. Recommend review by licensed professional

Comment

for repairs or replacement as needed.



1.1 Item 1(Picture)



1.1 Item 2(Picture)

### 1.2 Window & Frames

Minor Case. Window well side detached from foundation. This could cause sand/sol infiltration by the side. We recommend attaching to the foundation. We also recommend removing sol in window well and make sure you have a clean bed rock for good drainage.



1.2 Item 1(Picture)

1.3	Exterior Door(s)	Serviceable.
1.4	Gutters / Downspouts	Improvement recommended. Suggest installing extensions to gutter system to ensure proper drainage away from the foundation.
1.5	Soffit / Facia	Serviceable.
1.6	Electrical	Serviceable.
1.7	Electric Meter(s)	Serviceable.
1.8	Exterior Faucets	Not Operated. Winterized, unable to test. Recommend client confirm proper operation prior to close.
1.9	Lot / Grade Drainage	Serviceable.

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1.10	Foundation / Type	Important note. Recent parging observed. This may prevent from perceiving some previous issues.	ıt us
1.11	Fences / Gates	Not Present.	
1.12	Porch	Serviceable.	
1.13	Stairs / Steps	Serviceable.	

Serviceable.

Bell / Chime

1.14

## Roof

Our evaluation of the roof is to determine if surface areas are missing and/or damaged and therefore subject to possible leaking. Portions of the roof, including underlayment, decking and some flashing are hidden from view and cannot be evaluated by our visual inspection; therefore, our review is not a guarantee or certification against roof leaks. Some areas are not visible when we are unable to mount the roof due to weather conditions, height, pitch, etc. Areas most vulnerable to leaks are low slope areas, areas pitched toward walls, through-roof projections (chimneys, vents, skylights, etc.) roof slopes that change pitch or direction, and intersecting roof/wall lines. Flashing and shingle defects should be assessed immediately by a qualified contractor since they can cause hidden leaks and deterioration. Factors such as shingle quality, weather, ventilation, and installation methods can affect wear rate. As maintenance can be needed at any time, roofs should be professionally inspected annually. Our inspection is not a certification of the good condition of the roof, nor a guarantee of a leak free conditions.

### **Methods Used To Inspect:**

### Material/Type:

The roof was inspected from a top Asphalt composition shingle the roof

Step #	Component	Comment
2.0	<b>Exposed Flashings</b>	Serviceable.

#### 2.1 Roof Condition

Major Case. Roofing materials show extensive wear and deterioration and may be at the end of their useful life. A licensed roofer should be consulted for further review prior to closing for repairs/replacement as required.



2.1 Item 1(Picture)

### Attic

Some components are necessary for an attic to be adequate: roofing, insulation and ventilation. The roof is there to protect the occupants and structure of the house against damage caused by the natural elements. The insulation keeps the house warm in winter and cool during the summer season. If an attic is well insulated, the inspector will have difficulties looking at floor joists, electrical wiring, plumbing pipes and air ducts. Good levels of insulation in the attic is one of the best ways to increase the energy efficiency of a home. We evaluate insulating materials according to their thickness. In general, the thicker the insulating material, the more resistant it is to heat loss during winter and to heat infiltration during summer. In addition, without adequate ventilation, heat can accumulate in the attic during summer, reducing the energy efficiency of the home and prematurely aging the roof components.

Water stains around roof penetrations such as chimneys, plumbing, and vents are very common. It is usually difficult to determine if these stains are active unless they are leaking at the time of inspection. Viewing during a rainstorm would increase the chances of determining whether the leaks are active or not. Of course, older roofs are more prone to water infiltration, but new roofs can also develop leaks. Regular monitoring and maintenance of all roofs is advised. We suggest checking roof surfaces each spring, fall and after each severe storm.

Access location / Inspection method:  Viewed from hatch opening	Framing: Trusses	<b>Sheathing:</b> Plywood	
Insulation: Blown-in insulation, Insulation value is R50	<b>Ventilation:</b> Eave vents, Soffit vents		
value is K50			

**Comment** 

**Component** 

Step #

Serviceable. Wood truss construction noted. Trusses are often used to provide additional headroom and wider spans than is common with wood joist systems. This is a specialized system which is intended for site-specific engineering. The integrity of a truss system depends on the builder following a truss engineer's instructions, which we do not have. Verifying appropriate installation is beyond the scope of this inspection. Trusses should not be cut or notched as this will damage their structural integrity.



3.0 Item 1(Picture)

3.1 Sheathing Serviceable.

3.0

Framing

3.2 Insulation Serviceable.



3.2 Item 1(Picture)

Serviceable.

3.3	Ventilation	Serviceable.
3.4	Electrical	Serviceable.

Conduits

3.5

## **Mechanical Room**

Any below-grade space can leak, even in areas that have been dry in prior years. While we look for evidence of leaking, we may not always be able to determine if leaks have occurred or predict future water infiltrations. Signs of possible water infiltration include mold/mildew, stains on walls, loose flooring, musty odors, warped paneling and efflorescence. Those signs are not always evident, and some water activity occurs only under specific circumstances, that may not occur at the time of inspection. We suggest that you obtain disclosure from the prior occupants regarding any history of water infiltration in the basement. If freshly painted walls are present, it is particularly important to obtain that disclosure since it can be a way of hiding signs of water infiltration.

We cannot certify the basement against future water infiltrations. Slight cracking of walls and floors is common and whenever it is present, there is a possibility of future leakage. Most wall cracks are relatively easy to repair from the inside. Cracks should be monitored for any signs of moisture and dimensional variation, indicating the need for further evaluation.

Risks of leakage increase when adjacent surfaces are not pitched away from the home and when roof drainage is within several feet of the foundation. These issues should be addressed as soon as possible.

Location Basemer Ceiling: Unfinish	nt	<b>Floor:</b> The floor was on concrete	<b>Walls:</b> Drywall
Step #	Component	Comment	
4.0	Floor	Serviceable.	
4.1	Walls	Serviceable.	
4.2	Insulation	Serviceable.	
4.3	Ceiling	Serviceable.	
4.4	Doors	Serviceable.	
4.5	Electrical	Serviceable.	
4.6	Joists	Serviceable.	
4.7	Visible Plumbing	Serviceable.	

## **Major Systems**

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Judging the adequacy of the cooling and heating system is a subjective evaluation. Therefore, the inspector will only note poor conditions only when he judge the adequacy seems less than normal. It is recommended to have those systems checked by specialists prior to closing.

Our review of the visible connected plumbing system is directed at identifying leaks and water damage. The water supply system was tested for its ability to deliver functional water pressure to installed plumbing fixtures. Shut-off valves and angle stops under the kitchen or bathroom sinks and behind the toilets are not turned or tested during the inspection due to the possibility of leaks. After being checked by a plumber, they should be turned regularly to ensure free movement in case of emergency. We may not always mention common faults such as stuck stoppers or dripping faucets. If considered important, you should check these items independently.

Our review of the electrical system is limited to that which is visible and accessible at the time of inspection. The inspector examines the operation of a representative number of lighting fixtures, switches and receptacles inside and outside the building. In this review, the functionality, polarity and earthing of the outlets are checked. For safety reasons, he will also ensure that all outlets within 6 feet of plumbing fixtures, located in the kitchen, bathroom or outdoors, have the Ground Fault Interrupter (GFI) function. Determining the actual capacity of the system requires load calculations, which are not within the scope of this report. Underground circuits and concealed components of the system are not inspected.

Due to the possibility of the water heater temperature pressure relief (TPR) valve leaking after it has been opened, these valves are not tested during the inspection. Since a TPR valve is operated infrequently, it is not unusual for them to leak or break when operated after a period of inactivity. In some cases, the water heater is covered with an insulation blanket, which limits the inspection of that unit.

**Main Electrical Panel: Water Supply System: Waste Disposal System:** 

Overload protection is provided by Copper, Well breakers., Branch circuit wiring is copper, Service panel amperage is 100 amps.

The back valves were observed,

ABS, Private system

**Detectors:** 

Water Heater: **Heating System:** 

Electric Boiler Smoke detectors need replacement

Step # **Component** Comment

### 5.0 Main Electrical Panel Serviceable.



5.0 Item 1(Picture)

### 5.1 (1) Water Supply System

.. Water supply to this property appears to be provided by a well. Due to the inaccessible nature of this system, only the above ground equipment can be reviewed. Sub-surface or concealed components are not within the scope of this inspection. If a detailed review of this system or water quality testing is desired, qualified personnel should be consulted prior to closing to perform these tests.

5.1 (2) Water Supply System

.. Water treatment equipment was present in the home at the time of the inspection. In accordance with the scope of work, the assessment of the homes water treatment system(s) was not completed as part of the home inspection. A water treatment device in controlled by an automatic timer and need proper calibration. We recommend consulting with the current owner and/or a qualified water treatment contractor to determine operations and maintenance requirements for the water treatment system(s) and to verify proper operation.



5.1 Item 1(Picture)

5.2 Waste Disposal System .. Waste disposal system appears to be private on-site waste disposal. Septic tanks, leach fields and other private sewage systems are outside the scope of this report and are not inspected. We recommend review by a qualified professional to assess the functionality and condition of this system, prior to close.

5.3 Water Heater Serviceable. Water Heater is 3

Serviceable. Water Heater is 3 years old. The life expectancy of a water heater is 10 to 15 years. Some insurances do not cover damage caused by a water heater more than ten years old



5.3 Item 1(Picture)

5.4 Heating System

.. Water heat systems are now uncommon thus our knowledge is limited. There are numerous unique systems that have been used; each has its own characteristics. Our review is limited to combustion chamber, normal operating controls, automatic safety controls and venting as well as to determine if heat is supplied to each radiator.

Because we see so few, we cannot certify the installation. For a detailed review, we suggest contacting a heat specialist.

5.5 Heat Recover Ventilator (HRV)

Serviceable. The air exchanger was activated to check the operation of the motor, which appear to be in serviceable condition.



5.5 Item 1(Picture)

5.6 Detectors

Safety. Smoke detectors appear to be more then 10 years old. It is recommended to replace the detectors every 10 years.

## **Entry Way / Halls / Stairs**

Our review of these areas is limited to visible and/or accessible areas. Applying a few suggestions to interior and exterior stairs can help to significantly reduce the risk of an accidental fall and injury. Graspable handrails mounted between 34 and 38 inches high are suggested for the full length of all stairs. Occupants may not be able to regain their balance with rails that are too big to grip or that are too close to the wall. Guardrails that are at least 36 inches high are advised for any open sides of stairways, raised floor areas, balconies and porches. Current child safety standards call for all openings in rail systems (such as at vertical balusters) to be small enough that a four-inch sphere cannot pass through. We suggest that when you take occupancy you make sure that all rails are secure, upgrade as needed, and check for slip and fall hazards such as loose or damaged floor coverings. Personal belongings and furniture restrict access to receptacles, windows, walls, and flooring. This may be a good time to be sure you have functional smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in place.

<b>Location:</b> First floo		Floor: Walls: The floor was finished with Drywall ceramic tile			
Ceiling: Drywall		Exterior Door: Metal clad	<b>Heat / Cooling Source:</b> Floor heating		
Step #	Component	Comment			
6.0	Floor	Serviceable.			
6.1	Walls	Serviceable.			
6.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.			
6.3	Doors	Maintenance required. Door stice adjustments are needed for smooth			
6.4	Exterior Door	Maintenance required. The wear recommend corrections as needed	•		
6.5	Electrical	Serviceable.			
6.6	Closet / Wardrobe	Serviceable.			
6.7	Stairs	Serviceable.			
6.8	Heat / Cooling Source	Serviceable.			

## Kitchen

Appliance inspection is beyond the scope of the American Society of Home Inspectors Standards of Practice but, as a courtesy to our clients, we perform a visual and operational inspection of all built-in appliances. The appliances listed in this report are operated, if accessible and power is supplied. Cooking systems are checked for burner operation but not for calibration, timers, special features or cleaning cycles. Built-in dishwashers are run through a full normal wash cycle to determine if the system is free of leaks and excessive corrosion. Please double-check appliance operation just before closing and re-check for secure cabinets, counters and appliances. Upon occupancy, the client should secure any freestanding oven so it cannot tilt forward when weight is applied to the door. (Most ovens come with directions on how to do this.) Individuals have been injured when sitting on or standing on these doors. Clients are advised to purchase a home protection plan because appliances, including new appliances, can fail at any time, including immediately after the inspection. Older appliances (five years or older), of course, are more prone to failure.

Location:Floor:Walls:First floorThe floor was finished with ceramic tileDrywall

Ceiling: Windows: Heat / Cooling Source:

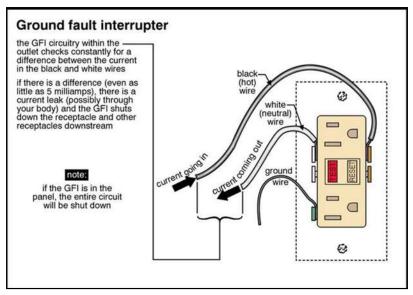
Drywall PVC frame casement window Floor heating

Hood / Fan / Light: Exterior vented

Step # Component
7.0 Floor Serviceable.
7.1 Walls Serviceable.
7.2 Ceiling Serviceable.
7.3 Windows Serviceable.

### 7.4 Electrical

# Safety. GFCI did not respond to test; suggest review by licensed electrician for repairs/replacement as needed for safety.



7.4 Item 1(Picture)

- 7.5 Heat / Cooling Source Serviceable.
- 7.6 Cabinets Serviceable.
- 7.7 Counter Tops

Maintenance required. We recommend caulking the edge of the counter top and the wall/backsplash to help prevent water damage.



7.7 Item 1(Picture)

7.0	C' 1	0 • 11
7.8	Sinks	Serviceable.

7.9 Faucets Serviceable.

7.10 Traps / Drains / Serviceable. Supply

7.11 Dishwasher(s) Minor Case. Door springs loose, recommend corrections for proper operation.



7.11 Item 1(Picture)

7.12 Hood / Fan / Light Serviceable.

## **Dining Room**

Location:Floor:Walls:First floorThe floor was finished withDrywall

ceramic tile

Ceiling: Exterior Door: Windows:

Drywall Patio Door PVC frame casement window

**Heat / Cooling Source:** 

Baseboard heating, Floor heating

<b>Step #</b> 8.0	<b>Component</b> Floor	Comment Serviceable.
8.1	Walls	Serviceable.
8.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.
8.3	Windows	Serviceable.
8.4	Exterior Door	Safety. Door lockset is inoperable. We suggest corrections to ensure security.
8.5	Electrical	Serviceable.
8.6	Heat / Cooling Source	Serviceable.

## **Living Room**

<b>Location:</b> First floor	<b>Floor:</b> The floor was finished with hard wood	<b>Walls:</b> Drywall
Ceiling: Drywall	Windows: PVC frame casement window	<b>Heat / Cooling Source:</b> Baseboard heating, Floor heating
Step # Component	Comment	

Step #	Component	Comment
9.0	Floor	Serviceable.
9.1	Walls	Serviceable.
9.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.
9.3	Windows	Serviceable.
9.4	Electrical	Serviceable.
9.5	Heat / Cooling Source	Serviceable.

## **Family Room**

Location:Floor:Walls:First floorThe floor was finished withDrywall

floating floor **Ceiling:** Windows:

Ceiling: Windows: Heat / Cooling Source:

Drop tile PVC frame casement window Baseboard heating, Ceiling heating

Step #	Component	Comment
10.0	Floor	Serviceable.
10.1	Walls	Serviceable.
10.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.
10.3	Windows	Serviceable.
10.4	Electrical	Serviceable.
10.5	Heat / Cooling Source	Serviceable.

Location:

11.6

11.7

11.8

11.9

11.10

11.11

Closet / Wardrobe

Counter / Cabinets

Traps / Drains /

Sinks

**Faucets** 

Supply

Heat / Cooling Source Serviceable.

### **Bathroom**

Our focus in bathrooms is directed at identifying visible water damage and/or problems. We may not always mention common faults such as stuck stoppers or dripping faucets. If considered important, you should check these items independently. Shut-off valves and angle stops under kitchen or bathroom sinks and toilets are not turned or tested during the inspection due to the possibility of causing a leak. All shut-off valves or angle stops should be turned regularly by the homeowner to ensure free movement in case of emergency. Bathrooms require regular maintenance to prevent the possibility of water damage and maintenance should be performed without delay. Since leaks can occur at any time, plumbing should be checked just before closing and then regularly during occupancy. We advise that all floors, tile edges and tub/shower walls be caulked and sealed to prevent moisture penetration. When found soft, you should have checked for leaks and hidden damage. All leaks should be repaired and missing/damaged grouting and caulk should be replaced at once to help prevent future/further damage. Even tile that appears to be in good shape can take on water, so we suggest that you apply a sealant to tiled surfaces upon occupancy. If sluggish or noisy drains are noted, the drain waste vent system should be checked for blockage, damage or other restriction before close. Operating an exterior vented exhaust fan helps to reduce the chances of mold growth and harmful condensation.

Walls:

First floor  Ceiling: Drywall		The floor was finished with ceramic tile	Drywall  Heat / Cooling Source: Baseboard heating, Floor heating
		Windows: PVC frame casement window	
<b>Step #</b> 11.0	<b>Component</b> Floor	Comment Serviceable.	
11.1	Walls	Serviceable.	
11.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.	
11.3	Doors	Serviceable.	
11.4	Windows	Serviceable.	
11.5	Electrical	Serviceable.	

Floor:

Serviceable.

Serviceable.

Serviceable.

Serviceable.

Serviceable.

- 11.12 Toilet Serviceable.
- 11.13 Exhaust Fan Improvement recommended. None observed, we recommend an exhaust fan be installed in all bathrooms for proper ventilation and moisture control.
- 11.14 Tub/Whirlpool Serviceable.
- 11.15 Tub Surround Maintenance required. The tile edges and base of the tub should be caulked to prevent moisture penetration. Failure to keep walls and base sealed could cause deterioration and moisture damage to the interior walls and/or floor, which is not always visible to the

inspector at the time of inspection.



11.15 Item 1(Picture)

11.16 Tub Faucets Serviceable.

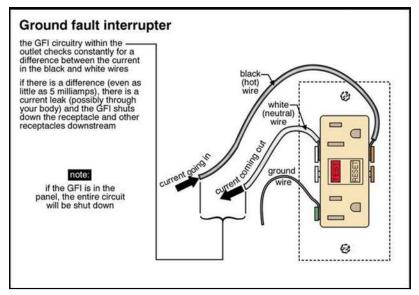
## Bathroom #2

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Location: Basement  Ceiling: Drop tile		Floor: Walls: The floor was finished with Drywall linoleum  Heat / Cooling Source: Baseboard heating, Ceiling heating		
Step # 12.0	<b>Component</b> Floor	Comment Serviceable.		
12.1	Walls	Serviceable.		
12.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.		
12.3	Doors	Serviceable.		

# 12.4 Electrical Safety. GFCI did not respond to test; suggest review by licensed electrician for repairs/replacement as needed for safety.



12.4 Item 1(Picture)

- 12.5 Closet / Wardrobe Serviceable.
- 12.6 Heat / Cooling Source Serviceable.
- 12.7 Counter / Cabinets Serviceable.
- 12.8 Sinks Minor Case. Sink is loose, corrections are needed for proper operation.



12.8 Item 1(Picture)

12.9	Faucets	Serviceable.
12.10	Traps / Drains / Supply	Serviceable.
12.11	Toilet	Serviceable.

12.12 Exhaust Fan Improvement recommended. Exhaust fan is noisy. Recommend review by qualified professional for repair or replacement as necessary.

Maintenance required. The tile edges of the shower walls/base should be caulked to prevent moisture penetration. Failure to keep walls sealed can cause deterioration and moisture damage to the interior walls, which is not always visible to the inspector at the time of inspection.

12.13 (2) Shower Base

Shower Base

12.13 (1)

Maintenance required. Ceramic tile base. The impermeability of a shower depends on the membrane installed under the ceramics. The installed grout between the ceramic is a porous material and absorbs water and moisture. If no membrane was install plywood and drywall will deteriorate. Therefore the membrane is essential in order to ensure impermeability. During our inspection, it is impossible to check the presence of this membrane.



12.13 Item 1(Picture)

12.14	Shower Surround	Serviceable.
12.15	Shower Door	Serviceable.
12.16	Shower Faucets	Serviceable.
12.17	Washer Hookups	Serviceable. Washer hook-ups observed. We do not disconnect the supply hoses to the washer, nor do we operate the valves. These can leak at any time and should be considered a part of normal maintenance. Washers and dryers are not in the scope of this inspection, suggest verifying operation with owners prior to close.
12.18	Dryer Hookups	Serviceable. Washers and dryers are not in the scope of this inspection, suggest verifying operation with owners prior to close.

## **Master Bedroom**

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Location: First floor  Ceiling: Drywall		Floor: The floor was finished with hard wood	Walls: Drywall  Heat / Cooling Source: Baseboard heating
		Windows: PVC frame casement window	
Step # 13.0	<b>Component</b> Floor	Comment Serviceable.	
13.1	Walls	Serviceable.	
13.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.	
13.3	Doors	Serviceable.	
13.4	Windows	Serviceable.	
13.5	Electrical	Serviceable.	
13.6	Closet / Wardrobe	Serviceable.	
13.7	Heat / Cooling Source	Serviceable.	

## Bedroom #2

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Step #	Component	Comment		
14.0	Floor	Serviceable.		
14.1	Walls	Serviceable.		
14.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.		
14.3	Doors	Serviceable.		
14.4	Windows	Serviceable.		
14.5	Electrical	Serviceable.		
14.6	Closet / Wardrobe	Serviceable.		
14.7	Heat / Cooling Source	Serviceable.		

## Bedroom #3

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<b>Location:</b> First floo		Floor: The floor was finished with hard wood	<b>Walls:</b> Drywall
Ceiling: Drywall		Windows: PVC frame casement window	Heat / Cooling Source: Baseboard heating
<b>Step #</b> 15.0	<b>Component</b> Floor	Comment Serviceable.	
15.1	Walls	Serviceable.	
15.2	Ceiling	Serviceable.	
15.3	Doors	Serviceable.	
15.4	Windows	Serviceable.	
15.5	Electrical	Serviceable.	
15.6	Closet / Wardrobe	Serviceable.	
15.7	Heat / Cooling Source	Minor Case. Baseboard is inoperaqualified professional for repair o	•



### SUMMARY REPORT

### **Amerispec**

### **GENERAL SUMMARY**

Doc #: XXXXX -Eng Client Name: report example English

Dwelling Address: Unknown address Inspector: Steve Fortin

### **Exterior**

1.1 Exterior Wall Cladding

**Minor Case** 

- (2) We notice openings/ holes in wall cladding. It is important to keep cladding well caulked and sealed to prevent moisture penetration. Recommend review by licensed professional for repairs or replacement as needed.
- 1.2 Window & Frames

**Minor Case** 

Window well side detached from foundation. This could cause sand/sol infiltration by the side. We recommend attaching to the foundation. We also recommend removing sol in window well and make sure you have a clean bed rock for good drainage.

1.4 Gutters / Downspouts

Improvement recommended

Suggest installing extensions to gutter system to ensure proper drainage away from the foundation.

1.8 Exterior Faucets

**Not Operated** 

Winterized, unable to test. Recommend client confirm proper operation prior to close.

1.10 Foundation / Type

Important note. Recent parging observed. This may prevent us from perceiving some previous issues.

### Roof

2.1 Roof Condition

**Major Case** 

Roofing materials show extensive wear and deterioration and may be at the end of their useful life. A licensed roofer should be consulted for further review prior to closing for repairs/replacement as required.

### **Major Systems**

### 5.1 Water Supply System

- (1) Water supply to this property appears to be provided by a well. Due to the inaccessible nature of this system, only the above ground equipment can be reviewed. Sub-surface or concealed components are not within the scope of this inspection. If a detailed review of this system or water quality testing is desired, qualified personnel should be consulted prior to closing to perform these tests.
- (2) Water treatment equipment was present in the home at the time of the inspection. In accordance with the scope of work, the assessment of the homes water treatment system(s) was not completed as part of the home inspection. A water treatment device in controlled by an automatic timer and need proper calibration. We recommend consulting with the current owner and/or a qualified water treatment contractor to determine operations and maintenance requirements for the water treatment system(s) and to verify proper operation.
- 5.6 Detectors

Safety

Smoke detectors appear to be more then 10 years old. It is recommended to replace the detectors every 10 years.

### Entry Way / Halls / Stairs

6.3 Doors

Maintenance required

Door sticks, does not close properly, adjustments are needed for smooth operation.

6.4 Exterior Door

Maintenance required

The weather strips are damaged; recommend corrections as needed.

### Kitchen

7.4 Electrical

Safety

GFCI did not respond to test; suggest review by licensed electrician for repairs/replacement as needed for safety.

7.7 Counter Tops

Maintenance required

We recommend caulking the edge of the counter top and the wall/backsplash to help prevent water damage.

7.11 Dishwasher(s)

**Minor Case** 

Door springs loose, recommend corrections for proper operation.

## **Dining Room**

8.4 Exterior Door

**Safety** 

Door lockset is inoperable. We suggest corrections to ensure security.

#### **Bathroom**

11.13 Exhaust Fan

Improvement recommended

None observed, we recommend an exhaust fan be installed in all bathrooms for proper ventilation and moisture control.

11.15 Tub Surround

Maintenance required

The tile edges and base of the tub should be caulked to prevent moisture penetration. Failure to keep walls and base sealed could cause deterioration and moisture damage to the interior walls and/or floor, which is not always visible to the inspector at the time of inspection.

### Bathroom #2

12.4 Electrical

Safety

GFCI did not respond to test; suggest review by licensed electrician for repairs/replacement as needed for safety.

12.8 Sinks

**Minor Case** 

Sink is loose, corrections are needed for proper operation.

12.12 Exhaust Fan

Improvement recommended

Exhaust fan is noisy. Recommend review by qualified professional for repair or replacement as necessary.

12.13 Shower Base

Maintenance required

- (1) The tile edges of the shower walls/base should be caulked to prevent moisture penetration. Failure to keep walls sealed can cause deterioration and moisture damage to the interior walls, which is not always visible to the inspector at the time of inspection.
- (2) Ceramic tile base. The impermeability of a shower depends on the membrane installed under the ceramics. The installed grout between the ceramic is a porous material and absorbs water and moisture. If no membrane was install plywood and drywall will deteriorate. Therefore the membrane is essential in order to ensure impermeability. During our inspection, it is impossible to check the presence of this membrane.

## Bedroom #3

15.7 Heat / Cooling Source

**Minor Case** 

Baseboard is inoperable. Recommend review by qualified professional for repair or replacement as necessary.

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