

# Sam Agnew Home Inspections

1868 Runnymede Rd.  
W-S, NC 27104  
Inspector: Sam Agnew  
NC license# 1959











## Summary

Client(s): **Jean Smith Estate**  
Property address: **1119 Farmington Rd.**  
**Mocksville, NC**  
Inspection date: **Wednesday, March 28, 2018**

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## Grounds

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The base of one front porch column is rotted.





**Photo 2-1**

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## Crawl Space

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4  - No insulation was installed under the floor above the crawl space. Recommend that a qualified person install insulation for better energy efficiency and per standard building practices. Typically this is R-19 rated fiberglass batt with the attached facing installed against the warm (floor) side.

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**Photo 5-1**



**Photo 5-2**


6  - The vapor barrier in many areas of the crawl space was deteriorated, damaged, missing and/or substandard. Soil was exposed as a result and will allow water from the soil to evaporate up into the structure. This is a conducive condition for wood-destroying organisms. A 6 mil black plastic sheet should be placed over all exposed soil with seams overlapped to 24 inches, and not in contact with any wood structural components. The sheeting should be held in place with bricks or stones, not wood. Recommend that a qualified person replace or repair the vapor barrier where necessary and per standard building practices.



Photo 6-1



Photo 6-2

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Photo 7-1

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## Roof


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Photo 10-1

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## Electric

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- Outdoors (since 1973)
- Bathrooms (since 1975)
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- Kitchens (since 1987)
- Crawl spaces and unfinished basements (since 1990)
- Wet bar sinks (since 1993)
- Laundry and utility sinks (since 2005)

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Photo 12-1



Photo 12-2




**13**  - Wire splices were exposed and were not contained in a covered junction box. This is a potential shock or fire hazard. Recommend that a qualified electrician repair per standard building practices. For example, by installing permanently mounted junction boxes with cover plates where needed to contain wiring splices.



Photo 13-1

**14**  - No electric receptacle (outlet) was found in one or more bathrooms. This is an inconvenience and a potential safety hazard since extension cords from other locations may be used. Recommend that a qualified electrician install ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected receptacle(s) in bathrooms as necessary and per standard building practices. None in bathroom off the master bedroom.

**15**  - One or more modern, 3-slot electric receptacles (outlets) were found with an open ground. Three-slot receptacles should have a hot, a neutral and a ground wire connected. Homeowners often install new 3-slot receptacles on older, 2-wire circuits that only have hot and neutral wires. This is a shock hazard when appliances that require a ground

are used with these receptacles. Examples of such appliances include computers and related hardware, refrigerators, freezers, portable air conditioners, clothes washers, aquarium pumps, and electrically operated gardening tools. Where the electric system was installed prior to when grounded circuits were required (1960s), it is permissible to replace 3-slot receptacles with 2-slot receptacles to prevent appliances that require a ground from being plugged in to an ungrounded circuit. However, the client should be aware of this limitation when planning use for various rooms, such as an office. For newer electric systems, circuits should be repaired so grounded, 3-wire cables provide power to 3-slot receptacles. Recommend that a qualified electrician repair per standard building practices. These outlets are in the bedrooms and bedroom hallway.



Photo 15-1




Photo 15-2

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## Plumbing / Fuel Systems

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17  - Based on visible components or information provided to the inspector, this property appeared to have a private sewage disposal (septic) system. These are specialty systems and are excluded from this inspection. Comments in this report related to this system are made as a courtesy only and are not meant to be a substitute for a full evaluation by a qualified specialist. Generally, septic tanks should be pumped and inspected every 3 years. Depending on the type of system and municipal regulations, inspection and maintenance may be required more frequently, often annually. Recommend the following:

- Consult with the property owner about this system's maintenance and repair history
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- Review inspection and maintenance requirements for this system
- That a qualified specialist evaluate, perform maintenance and make repairs if necessary


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## Kitchen

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20  - The range could tip forward. An anti-tip bracket may not be installed. This is a potential safety hazard since the range can tip forward when weight is applied to the open door, such as when a small child climbs on it or if heavy objects are dropped on it. Anti-tip brackets have been sold with all free-standing ranges since 1985. Recommend installing an anti-tip bracket to eliminate this safety hazard. For more information, visit:

<http://www.reporthost.com/?ATB>




Photo 20-1

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## **Bathrooms, Laundry and Sinks**

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21  - Tile, stone and/or grout in the flooring at location(s) #B was deteriorated (e.g. loose or cracked tiles, missing grout) or substandard. Water can damage the sub-floor as a result. Recommend that a qualified contractor repair as necessary.

Minor cracks in master bath tile floor.

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## **Interior, Doors and Windows**

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22  - One or more interior doors were damaged. Recommend that a qualified person replace or repair doors as necessary.

One of the master bathroom bi-fold doors is damaged under the pin the keeps the door on its upper track.



Photo 22-1

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23  - Small cracks in master bathroom tiles.



Photo 23-1

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## How to Read this Report

This report is organized by the property's functional areas. Within each functional area, descriptive information is listed first and is shown in bold type. Items of concern follow descriptive information. Concerns are shown and sorted according to these types:

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## General Information

**Report number:** 01080

**Time started:** 8:35 AM

**Time finished:** 10:15 AM

**Client present for discussion at end of inspection:** No

**Weather conditions during inspection:** Dry (no rain)

**Temperature during inspection:** Cool

**Inspection fee:** \$275.00

**Payment method:** Invoiced

**Type of building:** Single family

**Buildings inspected:** One house

**Number of residential units inspected:** 1

**Age of main building:** 1960

**Source for main building age:** Inspector's estimate

**Front of building faces:** East

**Main entrance faces:** East

**Occupied:** Furniture or stored items were present

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1)  Some areas and items at this property were obscured by furniture. This often includes but is not limited to walls, floors, windows, inside and under cabinets, under sinks, on counter tops, in closets, behind window coverings, under rugs or carpets, and under or behind furniture. Areas around the exterior, under the structure, in the garage and in the attic may also be obscured by stored items. The inspector in general does not move personal belongings, furnishings, carpets or appliances. When furnishings, stored items or debris are present, all areas or items that are obscured, concealed or not readily accessible are excluded from the inspection. The client should be aware that when furnishings, stored items or debris are eventually moved, damage or problems that were not noted during the inspection may be found.



Photo 1-1



Photo 1-2

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## Grounds

**Limitations:** Unless specifically included in the inspection, the following items and any related equipment, controls, electric systems and/or plumbing systems are excluded from this inspection: detached buildings or structures; fences and gates; retaining walls; underground drainage systems, catch basins or concealed sump pumps; swimming pools and related safety equipment, spas, hot tubs or saunas; whether deck, balcony and/or stair membranes are watertight; trees, landscaping, properties of soil, soil stability, erosion and erosion control; ponds, water features, irrigation or yard sprinkler systems; sport courts, playground, recreation or leisure equipment; areas below the exterior structures with less than 3 feet of vertical clearance; invisible fencing; sea walls, docks and boathouses; retractable awnings. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only.

**Site profile:** Level

**Condition of driveway:** Appeared serviceable

**Driveway material:** Poured in place concrete

**Condition of sidewalks and/or patios:** Appeared serviceable

**Sidewalk material:** Poured in place concrete

**Condition of deck, patio and/or porch covers:** Appeared serviceable

**Deck, patio, porch cover material and type:** Covered (Refer to Roof section)


**Condition of decks, porches and/or balconies:** Appeared serviceable

**Deck, porch and/or balcony material:** Concrete

**Condition of stairs, handrails and guardrails:** Appeared serviceable

**Exterior stair material:** Masonry

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The base of one front porch column is rotted.



Photo 2-1


- 3)  Minor deterioration (e.g. cracks, holes, settlement, heaving) was found in the driveway, but no trip hazards were found. The client may wish to have repairs made for cosmetic reasons.



Photo 3-1

## **Exterior and Foundation**

**Limitations:** The inspector performs a visual inspection of accessible components or systems at the exterior. Items excluded from this inspection include below-grade foundation walls and footings; foundations, exterior surfaces or components obscured by vegetation, stored items or debris; wall structures obscured by coverings such as siding or trim. Some items such as siding, trim, soffits, vents and windows are often high off the ground, and may be viewed using binoculars from the ground or from a ladder. This may limit a full evaluation. Regarding foundations, some amount of cracking is normal in concrete slabs and foundation walls due to shrinkage and drying. Note that the inspector does not determine the adequacy of seismic reinforcement.

**Wall inspection method:** Viewed from ground

**Condition of wall exterior covering:** Appeared serviceable

**Apparent wall structure:** Wood frame

**Wall covering:** Wood, Vinyl, Brick veneer

**Condition of foundation and footings:** Appeared serviceable

**Apparent foundation type:** Crawl space

**Foundation/stem wall material:** Concrete block

**Footing material (under foundation stem wall):** Not determined (inaccessible or obscured)

## **Crawl Space**

**Limitations:** Structural components such as joists and beams, and other components such as piping, wiring and/or ducting that are obscured by under-floor insulation are excluded from this inspection. The inspector does not determine if support posts, columns, beams, joists, studs, trusses, etc. are of adequate size, spanning or spacing.

The inspector does not guarantee or warrant that water will not accumulate in the crawl spaces in the future. Complete access to all crawl space areas during all seasons and during prolonged periods of all types of weather conditions (e.g. heavy rain, melting snow) would be needed to do so.

The inspector attempts to locate all crawl space access points and areas. Access points may be obscured or otherwise hidden by furnishings or stored items. In such cases, the client should ask the property owner where all access points are that are not described in this inspection, and have those areas inspected. Note that crawl space areas should be checked at least annually for water intrusion, plumbing leaks and pest activity.

**Crawl space inspection method:** Partially traversed

**Condition of floor substructure above:** Appeared serviceable

**Pier or support post material:** Concrete block

**Beam material:** Built-up wood

**Floor structure above:** Solid wood joists

**Condition of insulation underneath floor above:** Not applicable, none installed


**Insulation material underneath floor above:** None visible

**Condition of vapor barrier:** Required repairs, replacement and/or evaluation (see comments below)

**Vapor barrier present:** Partial

**Condition of crawl space ventilation:** Required repairs, replacement and/or evaluation (see comments below)

**Ventilation type:** Unconditioned space, with vents

4)  No insulation was installed under the floor above the crawl space. Recommend that a qualified person install insulation for better energy efficiency and per standard building practices. Typically this is R-19 rated fiberglass batt with the attached facing installed against the warm (floor) side.


5)  One or more crawl space vents were blocked by soil. This restricts ventilation in the crawl space and can result in increased levels of moisture inside. This is a conducive condition for wood-destroying organisms. Materials or items blocking vents should be removed as necessary.



Photo 5-1



Photo 5-2


6)  The vapor barrier in many areas of the crawl space was deteriorated, damaged, missing and/or substandard. Soil was exposed as a result and will allow water from the soil to evaporate up into the structure. This is a conducive condition for wood-destroying organisms. A 6 mil black plastic sheet should be placed over all exposed soil with seams overlapped to 24 inches, and not in contact with any wood structural components. The sheeting should be held in place with bricks or stones, not wood. Recommend that a qualified person replace or repair the vapor barrier where necessary and per standard building practices.



Photo 6-1



Photo 6-2






7)    I could not find any access to the crawl space area under an apparent addition other than a small hole through the original area to the newer area. Its main purpose is to feed mechanicals into the smaller, newer space. Consider installing a larger access between the two areas.



Photo 7-1

8)   Evidence of prior water intrusion or accumulation was found in one or more sections of the crawl space. For example, sediment stains on the vapor barrier or foundation, and/or efflorescence on the foundation. Accumulated water is a conducive condition for wood-destroying organisms and should not be present in the crawl space. Recommend that the client review any disclosure statements available and ask the property owner about past accumulation of water in the crawl space. The crawl space should be monitored in the future for accumulated water, especially after heavy and/or prolonged periods of rain. If water is found to accumulate, then recommend that a qualified contractor who specializes in drainage issues evaluate and repair as necessary. Typical repairs for preventing water from accumulating in crawl spaces include:

- Repairing, installing or improving rain run-off systems (gutters, downspouts and extensions or drain lines)
- Improving perimeter grading
- Repairing, installing or improving underground footing and/or curtain drains

Ideally, water should not enter crawl spaces, but if water must be controlled after it enters the crawl space, then typical repairs include installing trenches, gravity drains and/or sump pump(s) in the crawl space.



Photo 8-1


- 9)  Crawl space access at the rear of the house.



Photo 9-1

## Roof

**Limitations:** The following items or areas are not included in this inspection: areas that could not be traversed or viewed clearly due to lack of access; solar roofing components. Any comments made regarding these items are made as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not provide an estimate of remaining life on the roof surface material, nor guarantee that leaks have not occurred in the roof surface, skylights or roof penetrations in the past. Regarding roof leaks, only active leaks, visible evidence of possible sources of leaks, and evidence of past leaks observed during the inspection are reported on as part of this inspection. The inspector does not guarantee or warrant that leaks will not occur in the future. Complete access to all roof and attic spaces during all seasons and during prolonged periods of all types of weather conditions (e.g. high wind and rain, melting snow) would be needed to do so. Regarding the roof drainage system, unless the inspection was conducted during and after prolonged periods of heavy rain, the inspector was unable to determine if gutters, downspouts and extensions performed adequately or were leak-free.

**Roof inspection method:** Viewed from ground with binoculars

**Condition of roof surface material:** Appeared serviceable

**Roof surface material:** Asphalt or fiberglass composition shingles

**Roof type:** Gable

**Apparent number of layers of roof surface material:** One

**Condition of exposed flashings:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of gutters, downspouts and extensions:** Required repair, replacement and/or evaluation (see comments below)


- 10)  Extensions such as splash blocks or drain pipes for one or more downspouts were damaged. Water can accumulate around the building foundation or inside crawl spaces or basements as a result. Recommend that a qualified person install, replace or repair extensions as necessary so rainwater drains away from the structure.



Photo 10-1

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## **Garage or Carport**

**Limitations:** The inspector does not determine the adequacy of firewall ratings. Requirements for ventilation in garages vary between municipalities.

**Type:** Carport

**Condition of door between garage and house:** Appeared serviceable

**Type of door between garage and house:** Wood, Glass

**Condition of garage floor:** Appeared serviceable

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11) **i** The door between the garage and the house did not appear to be fire resistant, or the inspector was unable to verify that it was via a label. This is a potential safety hazard. House to garage doors, to prevent fire and fumes from spreading from the garage into interior living space, should be constructed of fire-resistant materials. Doors, generally considered to be suitable for the purpose, are solid core wood, steel, honeycomb steel or a door that has been factory labeled as fire rated. Recommend that a qualified contractor replace or repair the door and, at that time, make any other corrections that might be required to provide suitable fire resistance between the garage and the dwelling per standard building practices. For more information, visit:

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## **Electric**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: generator systems, transfer switches, surge suppressors, inaccessible or concealed wiring; underground utilities and systems; low-voltage lighting or lighting on timers or sensors. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not determine the adequacy of grounding or bonding, if this system has an adequate capacity for the client's specific or anticipated needs, or if this system has any reserve capacity for additions or expansion. The inspector does not operate circuit breakers as part of the inspection, and does not install or change light bulbs. The inspector does not evaluate every wall switch or receptacle, but instead tests a representative number of them per various standards of practice. When furnishings, stored items or child-protective caps are present some receptacles are usually inaccessible and are not tested; these are excluded from this inspection. Receptacles that are not of standard 110 volt configuration, including 240-volt dryer receptacles, are not tested and are excluded. The functionality of, power source for and placement of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms is not determined as part of this inspection. Upon taking occupancy, proper operating and placement of smoke and carbon monoxide alarms should be verified and batteries should be changed. These devices have a limited lifespan and should be replaced every 10 years. The inspector attempts to locate and evaluate all main and sub-panels. However, panels are often concealed. If panels are found after the inspection, a qualified electrician should evaluate and repair if necessary. The inspector attempts to determine the overall electrical service size, but such estimates are not guaranteed because the overall capacity may be diminished by lesser-rated components in the system. Any repairs recommended should be made by a licensed electrician.

**Electric service condition:** Appeared serviceable

**Primary service type:** Overhead

**Number of service conductors:** 2

**Service voltage (volts):** 120-240

**Estimated service amperage:** 200

**Primary service overload protection type:** Circuit breakers

**Service entrance conductor material:** Stranded aluminum

**Main disconnect rating (amps):** 200

**System ground:** Copper

**Condition of main service panel:** Appeared serviceable

**Location of main service panel #A:** Dining room

**Location of main disconnect:** Breaker at top of main service panel

**Condition of branch circuit wiring:** Required repair, replacement and/or evaluation (see comments below)




**Branch circuit wiring type:** Copper

**Solid strand aluminum branch circuit wiring present:** None visible

**Ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protection present:** No

**Arc fault circuit interrupter (AFCI) protection present:** No

**Smoke alarms installed:** Yes, but not tested

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- Outdoors (since 1973)
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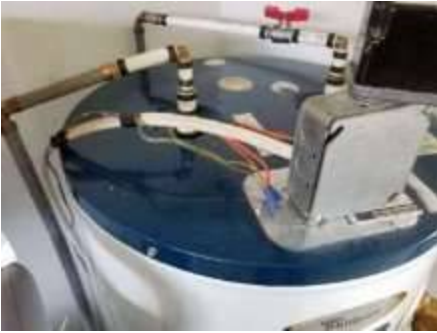
**Photo 12-1**







**Photo 12-2**

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**Photo 13-1**

**14)**   No electric receptacle (outlet) was found in one or more bathrooms. This is an inconvenience and a potential safety hazard since extension cords from other locations may be used. Recommend that a qualified electrician install ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protected receptacle(s) in bathrooms as necessary and per standard building practices. None in bathroom off the master bedroom.

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**Photo 15-1****Photo 15-2**


**16)**  Bulbs in one or more light fixtures were missing or broken. These light fixtures couldn't be fully evaluated. If replacement bulbs are inoperable, then recommend that a qualified electrician evaluate and repair or replace light fixtures as necessary.



Photo 16-1

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## **Plumbing / Fuel Systems**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: private/shared wells and related equipment; private sewage disposal systems; hot tubs or spas; main, side and lateral sewer lines; gray water systems; pressure boosting systems; trap primers; incinerating or composting toilets; fire suppression systems; water softeners, conditioners or filtering systems; plumbing components concealed within the foundation or building structure, or in inaccessible areas such as below tubs; underground utilities and systems; overflow drains for tubs and sinks; backflow prevention devices. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not operate water supply or shut-off valves due to the possibility of valves leaking or breaking when operated. The inspector does not test for lead in the water supply, the water pipes or solder, does not determine if plumbing and fuel lines are adequately sized, and does not determine the existence or condition of underground or above-ground fuel tanks.

**Condition of service and main line:** Appeared serviceable

**Water service:** Private well

**Location of main water shut-off:** Crawl space

**Condition of supply lines:** Appeared serviceable

**Supply pipe material:** Copper

**Condition of drain pipes:** Appeared serviceable

**Drain pipe material:** Plastic


**Waste pipe material:** Plastic, Cast iron

**Vent pipe condition:** Appeared serviceable

**Vent pipe material:** Plastic

**Sump pump installed:** None visible

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**17)**  Based on visible components or information provided to the inspector, this property appeared to have a private sewage disposal (septic) system. These are specialty systems and are excluded from this inspection. Comments in this report related to this system are made as a courtesy only and are not meant to be a substitute for a full evaluation by a qualified specialist. Generally, septic tanks should be pumped and inspected every 3 years. Depending on the type of system and municipal regulations, inspection and maintenance may be required more frequently, often annually. Recommend the following:

- Consult with the property owner about this system's maintenance and repair history
- Review any documentation available for this system
- Review inspection and maintenance requirements for this system
- That a qualified specialist evaluate, perform maintenance and make repairs if necessary

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**18)**  Based on visible equipment or information provided to the inspector, the water supply to this property appeared to be from a private well. Private well water supplies are specialty systems and are excluded from this inspection. Comments

in this report related to this system are made as a courtesy only and are not meant to be a substitute for a full evaluation by a qualified specialist. The inspector does not test private well water for contamination or pollutants, determine if the supply and/or flow are adequate, or provide an estimate for remaining life of well pumps, pressure tanks or equipment. Only visible and accessible components are evaluated. Recommend the following:

- That a qualified well contractor fully evaluate the well, including a pump/flow test
- That the well water be tested per the client's concerns (coliforms, pH, contaminants, etc.)
- Research the well's history (how/when constructed, how/when maintained or repaired, past performance, past health issues)
- Document the current well capacity and water quality for future reference

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## **Water Heater**

**Limitations:** Evaluation of and determining the adequacy or completeness of the following items are not included in this inspection: water recirculation pumps; solar water heating systems; Energy Smart or energy saver controls; catch pan drains. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not provide an estimate of remaining life on water heaters, does not determine if water heaters are appropriately sized, or perform any evaluations that require a pilot light to be lit or a shut-off valve to be operated.

**Condition of water heater:** Appeared serviceable

**Type:** Tank

**Energy source:** Electricity

**Capacity (in gallons):** 40

**Temperature-pressure relief valve installed:** Yes

**Location of water heater:** Utility room

**Hot water temperature tested:** Yes

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## **Heating, Ventilation and Air Condition (HVAC)**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: humidifiers, dehumidifiers, electronic air filters; solar, coal or wood-fired heat systems; thermostat or temperature control accuracy and timed functions; heating components concealed within the building structure or in inaccessible areas; underground utilities and systems; safety devices and controls (due to automatic operation). Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not provide an estimate of remaining life on heating or cooling system components, does not determine if heating or cooling systems are appropriately sized, does not test coolant pressure, or perform any evaluations that require a pilot light to be lit, a shut-off valve to be operated, a circuit breaker to be turned "on" or a serviceman's or oil emergency switch to be operated. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to determine if furnace heat exchangers are intact and free of leaks. Condensation pans and drain lines may clog or leak at any time and should be monitored while in operation in the future. Where buildings contain furnishings or stored items, the inspector may not be able to verify that a heat source is present in all "liveable" rooms (e.g. bedrooms, kitchens and living/dining rooms).

**General heating system type(s):** Heat pump

**General heating distribution type(s):** Ducts and registers

**Condition of forced air heating/(cooling) system:** Appeared serviceable

**Forced air heating system fuel type:** Electric

**Location of forced air furnace:** Crawl space

**Condition of furnace filters:** Not determined (inaccessible, obscured or not found)


**Condition of forced air ducts and registers:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of cooling system and/or heat pump:** Not determined

**Cooling system and/or heat pump fuel type:** Electric

**Type:** Heat pump

**Condition of controls:** Appeared serviceable

19)  The outdoor air temperature was below 65 degrees Fahrenheit during the inspection. Air conditioning systems can be damaged if operated during such low temperatures. Because of this, the inspector was unable to operate and fully evaluate the cooling system.

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## **Fireplaces, Stoves, Chimneys and Flues**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: coal stoves, gas logs, chimney flues (except where visible). Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not determine the adequacy of drafting or sizing in fireplace and stove flues, and also does not determine if prefabricated or zero-clearance fireplaces are installed in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications. The inspector does not perform any evaluations that require a pilot light to be lit, and does not light fires. The inspector provides a basic visual examination of a chimney and any associated wood burning device. The National Fire Protection Association has stated that an in-depth Level 2 chimney inspection should be part of every sale or transfer of property with a wood-burning device. Such an inspection may reveal defects that are not apparent to the home inspector who is a generalist.

**Condition of wood-burning fireplaces, stoves:** Not determined (inaccessible or obscured)

**Wood-burning fireplace type:** Masonry

**Condition of chimneys and flues:** Not determined

**Wood-burning chimney type:** Masonry

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## **Kitchen**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: household appliances such as stoves, ovens, cook tops, ranges, warming ovens, griddles, broilers, dishwashers, trash compactors, refrigerators, freezers, ice makers, hot water dispensers and water filters; appliance timers, clocks, cook functions, self and/or continuous cleaning operations, thermostat or temperature control accuracy, and lights. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not provide an estimate of the remaining life of appliances, and does not determine the adequacy of operation of appliances. The inspector does not note appliance manufacturers, models or serial numbers and does not determine if appliances are subject to recalls. Areas and components behind and obscured by appliances are inaccessible and excluded from this inspection.

**Condition of counters:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of cabinets:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of sinks and related plumbing:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of under-sink food disposal:** Appeared serviceable



**Condition of dishwasher:** Appeared serviceable

**Range, cooktop or oven type:** Electric

**Type of ventilation:** Hood or built into microwave over range or cooktop

**Condition of built-in microwave oven:** Appeared serviceable

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20)   The range could tip forward. An anti-tip bracket may not be installed. This is a potential safety hazard since the range can tip forward when weight is applied to the open door, such as when a small child climbs on it or if heavy objects are dropped on it. Anti-tip brackets have been sold with all free-standing ranges since 1985. Recommend installing an anti-tip bracket to eliminate this safety hazard. For more information, visit:

<http://www.reporthost.com/?ATB>



Photo 20-1

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## **Bathrooms, Laundry and Sinks**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: overflow drains for tubs and sinks; heated towel racks, saunas, steam generators, clothes washers, clothes dryers. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not determine the adequacy of washing machine drain lines, washing machine catch pan drain lines, or clothes dryer exhaust ducts. The inspector does not operate water supply or shut-off valves for sinks, toilets, bidets, clothes washers, etc. due to the possibility of valves leaking or breaking when operated. The inspector does not determine if shower pans or tub and shower enclosures are water tight, or determine the completeness or operability of any gas piping to laundry appliances.

**Location #A:** Full bath

**Location #B:** Master bath

**Condition of counters:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of cabinets:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of flooring:** Required repairs, replacement and/or evaluation (see comments below)

**Condition of sinks and related plumbing:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of toilets:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of bathtubs and related plumbing:** Appeared serviceable

**Condition of shower(s) and related plumbing:** Appeared serviceable


**Condition of ventilation systems:** Appeared serviceable

**Bathroom and laundry ventilation type:** Spot exhaust fans, with individual ducts

**Gas supply for laundry equipment present:** No

**240 volt receptacle for laundry equipment present:** Yes

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**21)**  Tile, stone and/or grout in the flooring at location(s) #B was deteriorated (e.g. loose or cracked tiles, missing grout) or substandard. Water can damage the sub-floor as a result. Recommend that a qualified contractor repair as necessary.

Minor cracks in master bath tile floor.

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## **Interior, Doors and Windows**

**Limitations:** The following items are not included in this inspection: security, intercom and sound systems; communications wiring; central vacuum systems; elevators and stair lifts; cosmetic deficiencies such as nail-pops, scuff marks, dents, dings, blemishes or issues due to normal wear and tear in wall, floor and ceiling surfaces and coverings, or in equipment; deficiencies relating to interior decorating; low voltage and gas lighting systems. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only. Note that the inspector does not evaluate any areas or items which require moving stored items, furnishings, debris, equipment, floor coverings, insulation or similar materials. The inspector does not

test for asbestos, lead, radon, mold, hazardous waste, urea formaldehyde urethane, or any other toxic substance. Some items such as window, drawer, cabinet door or closet door operability are tested on a sampled basis. The client should be aware that paint may obscure wall and ceiling defects, floor coverings may obscure floor defects, and furnishings may obscure wall, floor and floor covering defects. If furnishings were present during the inspection, recommend a full evaluation of walls, floors and ceilings that were previously obscured when possible. Determining the cause and/or source of odors is not within the scope of this inspection.

**Condition of exterior entry doors:****Exterior door material:** Wood**Condition of interior doors:** Required repair, replacement and/or evaluation (see comments below)**Condition of windows and skylights:** Appeared serviceable**Type(s) of windows:** Vinyl**Wall type or covering:** Drywall, Paneling**Ceiling type or covering:** Drywall**Condition of flooring:** Appeared serviceable**Condition of concrete slab floor(s):** Appeared serviceable**Flooring type or covering:** Carpet, Tile

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22) 🛠️ One or more interior doors were damaged. Recommend that a qualified person replace or repair doors as necessary.

One of the master bathroom bi-fold doors is damaged under the pin the keeps the door on its upper track.



**Photo 22-1**

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23) 🖐️ Small cracks in master bathroom tiles.



**Photo 23-1**

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