

### METHOD HOME INSPECTIONS

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## METHOD HOME INSPECTION

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## **SUMMARY**



- 13.8.1 Kitchen Range/Cooktop/Oven: Inoperable Oven Light
- 14.4.1 Bathroom and Laundry Floors: Gaps at seams
- 14.6.1 Bathroom and Laundry Toilets: Loose-repair
- 14.7.1 Bathroom and Laundry Bathtubs: Gap or no caulk behind spout
- 14.8.1 Bathroom and Laundry Showers: Peeling Drywall
- 15.3.1 Interior, Doors and Windows Interior Doors: Lock inoperable
- 15.5.1 Interior, Doors and Windows Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures: Ceiling Stain, unknown if active leak
- 15.5.2 Interior, Doors and Windows Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures: Minor cracks, nail pops

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### 1: GENERAL

		IN	NI	NP	R
1.1	General	Χ			
1.2	Utilities not on	Χ			
1.3	Potential Concerns	Χ			
1.4	What is a home inspection?	Χ			

 R = Recommendations

#### **Information**

General: Present General: Client present at end General: Age Source

Property owner, Realtor No Municipal records or property

listing

General: Number of residential General: Occupied? General: Weather

units inspected. Yes Sunny

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General: Temperature General: Type of property

Warm Condo

#### **General: Condo Inspection**

The residential dwelling unit was part of a complex that is managed and maintained by a "Homeowners" or "Condo" association. This inspection is limited to a visual evaluation of the systems and components that are located within the dwelling unit inspected. The current condition of "Common Elements" are excluded from this inspection. Such elements include, but are not limited to:

- The building site condition, structural stability, drainage systems and insulation
- All exterior surfaces, materials and structure
- · All roof surfaces, materials and structure
- All attic spaces
- The building foundation, floor substructure and all spaces below, such as basements and/or crawl spaces
- All stairs, landings, porches, hallways, walks and balconies, elevators, utility metering, parking stalls/ports.
- All decks, patios, pools, spas, recreational areas/equipment
- All common areas on the property

Any comments regarding these items in this report have been made as a courtesy only. Consult with the Homeowner's or Condo Association regarding these items.

#### What is a home inspection?: What is a home inspection?

A home inspection is a non invasive, visual examination of the accessible areas of the property, designed to identify areas of concern within specific systems or components defined by the American Society of Home Inspectors, that are both observed and deemed material by the inspector at the exact date and time of inspection.

Any and all recommendations for repair, replacement, evaluation, as well as maintenance issues found, should be evaluated by the appropriate trades contractors within the client's inspection contingency window or prior to closing, which is contract applicable, in order to obtain proper dollar amount estimates on the cost of said repairs and also because these evaluations could uncover more potential issues than are able to be noted from a purely visual inspection of the property.

This inspection will not reveal every concern or issue that exists, but only those material defects that were observable on the day of the inspection. This inspection is intended to assist in evaluation of the overall condition of the dwelling only. This inspection is not a prediction of future conditions and conditions with the property are subject to change the moment we leave the premises.

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# 2: GROUNDS

		IN	NI	NP	R
2.1	General	Χ			
2.2	Soils / Drainage / Landscaping	Χ			
2.3	Driveway		Χ		
2.4	Sidewalks / Patios		Χ		
2.5	Decks / Porches	Χ			
2.6	Stairs			Χ	
2.7	Handrails			Χ	
2.8	Guardrails	Χ			
2.9	Fence		Χ		

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### **Information**

Soils / Drainage / Landscaping: Site Profile Level **Decks / Porches: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Decks / Porches: Material**Concrete



**Guardrails: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Guardrails: Materials** 

Metal

#### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

These items are excluded from this inspection: detached buildings or structures, fences and gates, retaining walls, underground drainage systems, swimming pools, spas, hot tubs or saunas, trees, landscaping, ponds, water features, irrigation and playgrounds. Any comments made regarding these items are as a courtesy only.

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## 3: EXTERIOR AND FOUNDATION

		IN	NI	NP	R
3.1	General		Χ		
3.2	Exterior Walls / Trim		Χ		
3.3	Foundation		Χ		

#### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The inspector performs a limited visual inspection of accessible components at the exterior. Items excluded from this inspection include exterior surfaces obscured by vegetation, stored items or debris. Some items such as siding, trim, soffits, vents and windows are sometimes high off the ground, and may be viewed from the ground or from a ladder. This may limit a full evaluation. Some amount of cracking is normal in concrete slabs and foundation walls due to shrinkage and drying.

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### 4: ROOF

		IN	NI	NP	R
4.1	General		Χ		
4.2	Shingles / Shakes		Χ		
4.3	Flashings		Χ		
4.4	Gutters / Downspouts / Extensions		Χ		
4.5	Soffits and fascia		Χ		
4.6	Chimney and Flues		Χ		

#### Limitations

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The following items or areas are outside the standards of practice and 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 inspector does not 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. I do not guarantee that leaks will not occur in the future. Total access to all roof and attic spaces during all seasons and during prolonged periods of all types of weather conditions would be needed to do so. Occupants should monitor the condition of roofing materials in the future. For older roofs, recommend that a professional inspect the roof surface, flashings, appurtenances, etc. annually and maintain/repair as might be required. If needed, the roofer should enter attic space(s).

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# 5: ATTIC AND ROOF STRUCTURE

		IN	NI	NP	R
5.1	General		Χ		
5.2	Access		Χ		
5.3	Roof Structure		Χ		
5.4	Insulation		Χ		
5.5	Ventilation		Χ		
5.6	Moisture Present		Χ		

#### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The following objects or zones are not included in this inspection: zones that could not be traversed or viewed clearly due to lack of access; zones and components blocked by insulation. Any comments made regarding these items are made as a courtesy only. The inspector does not determine the adequacy of the attic ventilation system. Total access to roof and attic spaces during all seasons and during extended periods of all types of weather conditions would be needed to do so. The inspector is not a licensed engineer and makes no determinations about the adequacy of roof structure components such as trusses, rafters or ceiling beams.

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# 6: GARAGE OR CARPORT

		IN	NI	NP	R
6.1	General		Χ		
6.2	Attached Garage-House Door		Χ		
6.3	Vehicle Door		Χ		
6.4	Automatic Opener		Χ		
6.5	Floor		Χ		
6.6	Interior/Walls/Ceilings		Χ		
6.7	Attic access		Χ		
6.8	Garage-house steps		Χ		

### **Information**

#### Interior/Walls/Ceilings:

Ventilation

Window, Door

### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The inspector does not determine the adequacy of firewall ratings.

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# 7: CRAWL SPACE

		IN	NI	NP	R
7.1	General		Χ		
7.2	Access		Χ		
7.3	Floor Substructure		Χ		
7.4	Floor Insulation		Χ		
7.5	Vapor Barrier		Χ		
7.6	Ventilation		Χ		

### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

Structural components and other components that are blocked by under-floor insulation are excluded from this inspection. Examples include, joists, beams, piping, wiring and/ducting. The inspector does not determine if support posts, beams, joists, studs, trusses, etc. are of correct size, spanning or spacing.

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# 8: ELECTRIC

		IN	NI	NP	R
8.1	General	Χ			
8.2	Service	Χ			
8.3	Panels	Χ			
8.4	Wiring	Χ			
8.5	Exterior	Χ			
8.6	Receptacles	Χ			
8.7	Switches	Χ			
8.8	Lighting / Fans	Χ			
8.9	Smoke and CO alarms	Χ			

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#### **Information**

**Service: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Service:** Max Amperage

225

Service: Service entrance conductor material
HOA Inaccessible

Panels: Sub-panel(s) condition

None

**Service: Type**Underground

**Service: Protection** 

**Breakers** 

**Service: Main disconnect rating**Not applicable - no single main disconnect

Panels: Location of MAIN panel

#A

Hallway

**Service: Voltage** 120-240

Service: System ground

Not determined

Panels: Main service panel

condition

Appeared serviceable

**Panels:** Location of MAIN panel

#B

None



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Panels: Location of main disconnect

No single main disconnect. Use all breakers in main service panel

Wiring: Condition
Serviceable

Wiring: Branch circuit wiring type
Non-metallic sheathed, Copper

Wiring: Solid strand aluminum wiring present

None visible

Receptacles: GFCI present Yes Smoke and CO alarms: CO and smoke alarms installed
Yes

**General: Electric Service Panel** 





#### Limitations

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The following items are not included in this inspection: generator systems, transfer switches, concealed wiring; underground utilities and systems. Note that the inspector does not determine the adequacy of grounding or bonding. The inspector does not operate circuit breakers as part of the inspection. 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. 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 these 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.

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# 9: FIREPLACES, STOVES

		IN	NI	NP	R
9.1	General			Χ	
9.2	Wood-burning fireplace, stove			Х	
9.3	Fireplace			Х	
9.4	Wood Stove			Х	
9.5	Hearth			Х	
9.6	Gas-fired fireplace, stove, or log lighter			Х	
9.7	Type B/L Gas Vents			Х	

#### **Limitations**

#### General

#### **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.

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# 10: PLUMBING / FUEL SYSTEMS

		IN	NI	NP	R
10.1	General	Χ			
10.2	Service / Main Line	Χ			
10.3	Supply Lines	Χ			
10.4	Drain and Waste Lines	Χ			
10.5	Venting	Χ			
10.6	Sump Pump			Χ	
10.7	Sewage Ejector Pump			Χ	
10.8	Irrigation		Χ		
10.9	Fuel Systems	Χ			

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### **Information**

Service / Main Line: Condition

Appeared serviceable

**Supply Lines: Condition** 

Limited evaluation

**Drain and Waste Lines: Waste** 

pipe condition

Limited evaluation

**Venting: Condition** 

Appeared serviceable

**Fuel Systems: Location of main** 

fuel shut-off

Not applicable

Service / Main Line: Main shut-off Service / Main Line: Type

location Public

inaccessible or none found)

**Supply Lines: Type** 

Not determined (inaccessible or

obscured)

material

PVC

Venting: Vent pipe material

Not determined

**Fuel Systems: Visible fuel storage** 

systems

None visible

**Drain and Waste Lines: Drain pipe** 

condition

Limited evaluation

Drain and Waste Lines: Drain pipe Drain and Waste Lines: Waste

pipe material

Not determined

**Fuel Systems: Condition** 

None

### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

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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. It is our recommendation that all homes over 20 years of age have the waste lines inspected using a video scope device to determine if they need repair or replacement. Property owners are usually responsible for repairs to the side sewer and publicly owned lateral lines. Such repairs can be expensive. 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.

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# 11: WATER HEATER

		IN	NI	NP	R
11.1	General		Χ		
11.2	Tank Casing		Χ		
11.3	Temp		Χ		
11.4	Water Shut off		Χ		
11.5	TPR drain valve/line		Χ		
11.6	Electric		Χ		
11.7	Burners		Χ		
11.8	Flues		Χ		
11.9	Expansion tank		Χ		

### **Limitations**

#### General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

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.

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# 12: HEATING, VENTILATION AND AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC)

		IN	NI	NP	R
12.1	General	Χ			
12.2	Heating	Χ			
12.3	Electric Heat (not forced air)			Χ	
12.4	Forced Air	Χ			
12.5	Filters		Χ		
12.6	Ducts and Registers	Χ			
12.7	Burners (furnace or boiler)			Χ	
12.8	Combustion Air	Χ			
12.9	Flues	Χ			
12.10	Heat Pump; AC	Χ			
12.11	Normal Controls	Χ			
12.12	Ventilation	Χ			

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#### **Information**

**Heating: Distribution Type General: HVAC system** 

Ducts and registers

**Heating: Primary heating last** 

service date

Not determined

**Forced Air: Fuel Type** 

Electric

**Combustion Air: Type** 

No dedicated source visible uses

room air

Electric

**Heating: Date of Manufacture** 

06/01/2022

**Forced Air: Location** 

Ceiling

Flues: Condition

Appeared serviceable

Heat Pump; AC: Cooling fuel type Heat Pump; AC: Date of

Manufacture 06/01/2022

**Heating:** Heating Type

Forced air

**Forced Air: Condition** 

Appeared serviceable

**Ducts and Registers: Condition** 

Appeared serviceable

**Heat Pump; AC: Condition** 

Appeared serviceable

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# Normal Controls: Condition Appeared serviceable



#### Limitations

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

This inspection excludes: humidifiers, dehumidifiers, electronic air filters, solar, coal or wood-fired heat systems, thermostat accuracy, timed functions, heating components concealed within the building, underground utilities, safety devices, and controls due to automatic operation. Comments made on these items are provided as a courtesy only. The inspector doesn't estimate remaining life on heating or cooling system components, determine system size adequacy, test coolant pressure, or perform evaluations requiring specific operational actions, such as lighting a pilot light or operating shut-off valves. Additionally, furnace heat exchanger integrity and leak detection are beyond the scope of this inspection.

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# 13: KITCHEN

		IN	NI	NP	R
13.1	General	Χ			
13.2	Counters	Χ			
13.3	Cabinets	Χ			
13.4	Floors	Χ			
13.5	Sinks	Χ			
13.6	Under-Sink Food Disposal	Χ			
13.7	Dishwasher	Χ			
13.8	Range/Cooktop/Oven	Χ			Χ
13.9	Ventilation	Χ			
13.10	Refrigerator	Χ			
13.11	Microwave	Χ			

### **Information**

**General: Kitchen** 



**Counters: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Counters: Material**Solid Surface

**Cabinets: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Sinks: Condition**Appeared serviceable

Floors: Type or covering
Vinyl linoleum or marmoleum

Under-Sink Food Disposal: Condition Appeared Serviceable **Floors: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Dishwasher: Condition**Appeared serviceable

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**Dishwasher: Brand** Whirlpool



Range/Cooktop/Oven: Condition Range/Cooktop/Oven: Fuel Type Appeared serviceable

Natural gas

Range/Cooktop/Oven: Brand Whirlpool



Ventilation: Type Hood

**Refrigerator: Condition** Appeared serviceable

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**Refrigerator: Brand**Whirlpool



Microwave: ConditionMicrowave: BrandAppeared serviceableWhirlpool

#### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

This inspection excludes these items: household appliances such as warming ovens, griddles, broilers, trash compactors, ice makers, hot water dispensers and water filters; appliance timers, clocks, cook functions, self-continuous cleaning operations. Any comments made regarding these items are provided as a courtesy only. An estimate of the remaining life of appliances and the adequacy of operation of appliances is excluded from this report.

#### Recommendations

13.8.1 Range/Cooktop/Oven



#### **INOPERABLE - OVEN LIGHT**

The oven light was inoperable at the time of inspection. Recommend replacing bulbs and if necessary, a qualified appliance technician evaluate further.

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Oven

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# 14: BATHROOM AND LAUNDRY

		IN	NI	NP	R
14.1	General	Χ			
14.2	Counters	Χ			
14.3	Cabinets	Χ			
14.4	Floors	Χ			Χ
14.5	Sinks	Χ			
14.6	Toilets	Χ			Χ
14.7	Bathtubs	Χ			Χ
14.8	Showers	Χ			Χ
14.9	Ventilation	Χ			
14.10	Laundry	Χ			

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#### **Information**

**General: Location**2nd Floor

**Floors: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Toilets: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Ventilation: Condition**Appeared serviceable

Laundry: Gas supply for laundry equipment present

No

**Counters: Condition**Appeared serviceable

Floors: Type or covering
Vinvl linoleum or marmoleum

**Bathtubs: Condition**Appeared serviceable

Ventilation: Bathroom and laundry ventilation type
Central exhaust fan

**Cabinets: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Sinks: Condition**Appeared serviceable

**Showers: Condition**Appeared serviceable

Laundry: 240 present

Yes

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#### **General: Laundry and bathrooms**







Master Bathroom

Bathroom 1

### **Limitations**

General

#### **LIMITATIONS**

### **Recommendations**

14.4.1 Floors

#### **GAPS AT SEAMS**



Gaps at seams in linoleum flooring were observed. Water can enter these areas and cause damage. Recommend a qualified person seal gaps where necessary to prevent lifting and water damage.







Master Bathroom Master Bathroom

Bathroom 1

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Bathroom 1

14.6.1 Toilets

#### LOOSE-REPAIR



The toilet was loose where it attached to the floor. Leaks can occur. Flooring, the sub-floor or areas below may get damaged. Sewer gases can enter living spaces. Recommend that a qualified contractor remove the toilet(s) for further evaluation and repair.



Bathroom 1

14.7.1 Bathtubs

### **GAP OR NO CAULK BEHIND SPOUT**



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Caulk was missing around the base of the bathtub spout, or there was a gap behind it. Water may enter the wall structure behind the bathtub. Recommend that a qualified person repair as necessary to eliminate the gap. For example, by installing or replacing caulk if the gap is small enough. For larger gaps, a shorter spout nipple or an escutcheon plate can be installed.



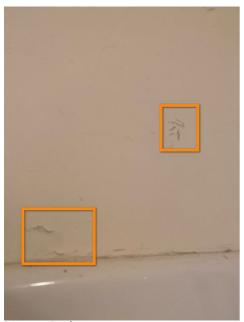
Bathroom 1

14.8.1 Showers

#### **PEELING DRYWALL**



Peeling drywall was observed in both bathrooms. The peeling drywall is likely due to moisture infiltration, which is a common issue in areas of high humidity like bathrooms. Recommend a qualified contractor evaluate and repair as necessary.



Master Bathroom



Master Bathroom



Master Bathroom

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Bathroom 1 Bathroom 1 Bathroom 1

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# 15: INTERIOR, DOORS AND WINDOWS

		IN	NI	NP	R
15.1	General	Χ			
15.2	Exterior Doors	Χ			
15.3	Interior Doors	Χ			Χ
15.4	Windows and Skylights	Χ			
15.5	Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures	Χ			Χ
15.6	Floors	Χ			
15.7	Stairs/Handrails/Gaurdrails			Χ	

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#### **Information**

**Exterior Doors: Condition** 

Appeared serviceable

Windows and Skylights:

Condition

Appeared serviceable

Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures:

Condition

Appeared serviceable

Floors: Type or covering

Carpet

**General:** Interior view

**Exterior Doors: Exterior door** 

material

Wood, Sliding glass

Windows and Skylights: Window

Wood, Single-hung

Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures: Wall Floors: Condition

type or covering

Drywall or plaster

**Interior Doors: Condition** 

Appeared serviceable

**Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures:** 

Ceiling type or covering

Drywall or plaster

Appeared serviceable



Living Room



Master Bedroom



Bedroom 1

#### **Recommendations**

15.3.1 Interior Doors

## Deficiencies

#### **LOCK INOPERABLE**

The door to the bathroom would not lock. Recommend a qualified person repair if necessary.



Master Bathroom

15.5.1 Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures

# CEILING - STAIN, UNKNOWN IF ACTIVE LEAK

A stain was present in the closet in Bedroom 1. This appeared to be some kind of oil leaking from the unit above. The owner stated that the leak has grown in the last year. Recommend a qualified contractor evaluate and repair as necessary.



Bedroom 1 Closet

15.5.2 Walls, Ceilings and Fixtures

#### MINOR CRACKS, NAIL POPS



Multiple vertical cracks were observed inside the unit. These cracks did not appear to be structural. Recommend monitoring in the future and alerting the HOA with any major change in appearance.

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Entryway Hallway

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