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Pre-Purchase Inspection - Residential Building Report

Complies with Australian Standard AS 4349.1- 2007 Inspection of Buildings Part 1: Pre-Purchase inspections - Residential buildings



755 Eadevale Rd Euchareena

PURPOSE OF INSPECTION

The purpose of the inspection is to identify the major defects and safety hazards associated with the property at the time of the inspection. The inspection and reporting is limited to AS4349.1-2007 and the Building Inspection Agreement.

The overall condition of this building has been compared to similarly constructed & reasonably maintained buildings of approximately the same age.

If it is more than 60 days from the inspection date, we recommend a new inspection and report. If the property is being auctioned refer to the Disclaimer of Liability to Third Parties in this report.

Property Inspected

Property Inspected Details:

Re: 755 Eadevale Rd Euchareena NSW 2800

Contact Details

Inspection Requested By: Scott Petersen

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Inspection Requested For: Same as Inspection Requested By

Cost Billed To: Same as Inspection Requested By

Contact For Access: Same as Inspection Requested By

Inspection Details

Work Order/Reference Number: 0016

Inspection Date/Time: 15/07/2022 10:00 AM

Persons in attendance: Owner

Other relevant comments: Nil

Weather conditions at time of inspection: Sunny

Agreement Details

Agreement Number: 0016

Date of Agreement: 15/07/2022 10:00 AM

Specific requirements and or conditions

required:

Nil building report only

Should you have any difficulty in understanding anything contained within this report then you should immediately contact the inspector and have the matter explained to you prior to acting on this report.

Inspector Details

Name Of Inspection Firm: Graham Hurford Quality Homes P/L T/A InSpec

Building & Pest Inspections License No 36640C

Contact Phone: 0418 635 783

Inspector Name: Graham Hurford

Report Prepared Date: 18/07/2022

Summary of Defects

Major Structural Defects identified to the Residential Building on day of inspection

There are no Major Structural Defects.

Major Structural Defects identified beyond the

Residential Building

No

Incidence of Major Defects Typical

Incidence of Minor Defects

Typical

Overall Condition (refer to definitions)

Average

Details of possible concealment of defects:

The inspection is a reasonable attempt to identify major defects and safety hazards at the time of inspection. Whilst a thorough visual inspection of the property was carried out the element of concealment of defects is always possible. The inspector cannot and will not move any furniture, floor coverings eg: floor rugs, personal items. The inspector cannot see

through walls, floors, paint etc

The report is not a warranty against problems arising in the future. Defects reported can further deteriorate or become a safety hazard if not attended to by a qualified professional. This is not a Structural Engineers Report. Where defects of a structural nature are

identified, a Structural Engineers report maybe

required

STRUCTURES INSPECTED

For the purpose of reporting on the property the property will be defined by compass readings e.g. North face.

1.1 755 Eadevale Rd Euchareena

Structure type: Freestanding house

Orientation: South

Areas Inspected: Bathroom 1, Bedroom 2, Bedroom 3,

Bedroom 4, Bedroom 5, Dining Room, Roof Exterior, Hallway, Kitchen, Laundry, Lounge Room, Roof Void, Study, Subfloor, Toilet 1,

Verandah, Walls Exterior

Is the building furnished?:

Where a property is furnished at the time of inspection the furnishings and stored goods may be concealing issues and defects present in the property. These issues and defects may only be revealed when the property is vacated. A further inspection is strongly recommended

in this case.

Construction type: Brick veneer

Pier type: Masonry

Flooring type: Concrete Slab, Tongue and Groove Strip

Verandah: Location: North, South

Roof Structure/s: Pitched timber, Skillion

Roof covering/s: Terracotta tile, Metal

Pool present: No

Are Smoke Detectors Installed: Yes

Number of smoke detectors: 1

Location of smoke detectors: Hallway

Recommendation: All smoke detectors should be tested for serviceability and compliance.

General Comments:

Areas of the property were heavily furnished which made the inspection of these areas inconclusive.

AREAS WITHOUT ISSUE ON THE DAY OF INSPECTION

In relation to the Inspection Agreement, the overall condition of the following areas are consistent with buildings of approximately the same age and construction.

Bedroom 5 Roof Void Study Access Issue Type:

No Access

Reason(s) Why:

Personal Items



The bedroom could not be inspected due to personal items.

Access Issue 2. - Attached Garage

Access Issue Type:

Restricted Access

The inspector has made a reasonable visual assessment of that area within the limitations identified.

Reason(s) Why:

Heavy Stored Goods / Equipment



The garage area could not be inspected due to stored materials.

Access Issue 3. - Roof Void

Access Issue Type:

Restricted Access

The inspector has made a reasonable visual assessment of that area within the limitations identified.

Reason(s) Why:

Insulation



The ceiling joists could not be inspected as they were covered with insulation.

Access Issue 4. - Subfloor

Access Issue Type:

Reason(s) Why:

No Access

Enclosed Foundation Area, Height



Areas of the subfloor could not be inspected due to height restrictions and enclosed areas.

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:



Vertical cracking



Vertical cracking.

North Side, South Side

Walls - Brick

Damage

There is stepped cracking, There is vertical cracking

Further cracking.

Serviceability cracking

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Bricklayer



Stepped cracking

Defect 2. - Exterior

Defect Location: North Side

Defect Summary: Walls - Brick - Windows

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: The timber window sill is damaged.

Ongoing Consequence: Water entry into building

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The timber window sill is damaged and needs repairing.

Defect 3. - Exterior

Defect Location: Various Areas

Defect Summary: The paintwork externally needs maintenance.

Type of Defect: Damage, Material deterioration

Description: The paintwork externally needs maintenance.

Ongoing Consequence: Further deterioration.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter,

Painter



The deteriorating paintwork.



The deteriorating paintwork.

Defect 4. - Roof Exterior

Building Professional:

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Downpipes

Type of Defect:

Installation

Connection to stormwater drainage is damaged/inadequate

Ongoing Consequence:

Damage to surrounding elements

Opinion of Cracking:

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

The deteriorating paintwork.

Building Professional Required: Plumber



The down-pipe is not connected to the stormwater system.

Defect 5. - Interior

Defect Location: Bedroom 1

Defect Summary: Ceiling Cracking and/or evidence of damage

repaired

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: Cracking

Ongoing Consequence: Further cracking

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Plasterer



The plaster cournice is cracking and needs repairing.

Defect 6. - Interior

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:



The entry door to the bedroom needs easing.

Bedroom 1

Timber Doors - Operation

Operational

The doors on the cupboards and entry door are

binding.

Difficult to operate

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The wardrobe doors are binding and need easing and adjusting.

Defect 7. - Interior

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:

Bedroom 2

Ceiling Cracking and/or evidence of damage

repaired

Damage

Cracking

Further cracking

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Plasterer



The plaster cournice is cracking and needs repairing.

Defect 8. - Interior

Defect Location: Bedroom 2

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Operation

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The doors on the wardrobe need adjusting.

Ongoing Consequence: Difficult to operate

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The wardrobe doors need adjusting.

Defect 9. - Interior

Defect Location: Bedroom 3

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Operation

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The wardrobe doors need adjusting.

Ongoing Consequence: Difficult to operate

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The wardrobe doors need adjusting.

Defect 10. - Interior

Defect Location: Bedroom 3

Defect Summary: Ceiling Cracking and/or evidence of damage

repaired

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: Cracking

Ongoing Consequence: Further cracking

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Plasterer



The plaster cournice is cracking and needs repairing.

Defect 11. - Interior

Defect Location: Hallway

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Operation

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The linen doors are binding.

Ongoing Consequence: Difficult to operate

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The linen doors need easing and adjusting.

Defect 12. - Interior

Defect Location: Hallway

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Fittings and Hardware

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The locks do not function as expected

Ongoing Consequence: May be a security issue

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The hallway door lock needs adjusting.

Defect 13. - Interior

Defect Location: Bathroom 1

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Operation

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The door is binding.

Ongoing Consequence: Difficult to operate, Damage to surrounding

elements

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The bathroom door is binding and needs to be eased.

Defect 14. - Exterior

Defect Location: North Side

Defect Summary: Verandah

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: Cracked tiles

Ongoing Consequence: Damage to surrounding elements, Damage to

surrounding elements

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Tiler



The tiles are cracked on the threshold at the rear exit door from the office area.

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:



The vanity top is loose



The vanity has beed affected by water.

Bathroom 1

Vanity/Basin

Damage

There is evidence of water staining, The vanity is swollen due to water damage The vanity top is loose and cracked.

Water ingress will affect the serviceability of the vanity

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter, Plumber



The vanity bowl is cracked.

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:



The cracked wall tiles in the shower area.



Cracked floor tiles.

Bathroom 1

Tiles

Damage

There are cracked floor tiles, There are cracked shower wall tiles

Deterioration of surrounding elements

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Tiler



Cracked wall tiles in the shower area.

Defect 17. - Interior

Defect Location: Bathroom 1

Defect Summary: Ventilation (Interior)

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: There is a mould like substance on walls and

ceilings

Ongoing Consequence: Unhealthy allergens will continue to develop

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Electrician



There is mould on the ceiling the ventilation system needs checking.

Defect 18. - Interior

Defect Location: Toilet 1

Defect Summary: Cistern and Pan

Type of Defect: Installation

Description: The cistern is not attached adequately to the

wall

Ongoing Consequence: If not secured there may be damage to the

cistern

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Plumber



The toilet cistern is not connected to the wall correctly.

Defect 19. - Interior

Defect Location: Kitchen

Defect Summary: The ventilation system over the hot plates is not

operating correctly.

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: The ceiling is covered with cooking grease.

Ongoing Consequence: Further deterioration of the area.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Electrician,

Plumber



The ceiling is covered with grease from the ventilation system. The range hood needs to be ducted externally.

Defect 20. - Interior

Defect Location: Kitchen

Defect Summary: Cupboards

Type of Defect: Installation

Description: There are odd doors on the cupboards.

Ongoing Consequence: Installation.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The odd doors on the cupboards.

Defect 21. - Interior

Defect Location: Kitchen

Defect Summary: Tiles

Type of Defect: Material deterioration

Description: There is no sealant at the junction of the

splashback and bench top

Ongoing Consequence: Deterioration of surrounding elements

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional: Note: This defect should be referred to a

qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Tiler



The bench top needs a new silicone seal installed.

Defect 22. - Interior

Defect Location: Entry

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Operation

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The front door is binding.

Ongoing Consequence: Difficult to operate, Damage to surrounding

elements

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The front door needs easing.

Defect 23. - Interior

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

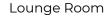
Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:



Ceiling Dampness and/or Damp Damage

Damage

Damaged flashings

Ceiling sheet will deteriorate further becoming

unserviceable

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Roof Plumber



The ceiling is water stained around the fire flue.



The cournice is cracked around the fire flue.

Defect 24. - Interior

Defect Location:

Defect Summary:

Type of Defect:

Description:

Ongoing Consequence:

Opinion of Cracking:

Building Professional:

Dining Room

Plaster wall and ceiling cracking.

Damage

There is wall cracking and ceiling cracking.

Further deterioration.

Not Applicable

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Plasterer, Painter



The cracking cournice.



Wall cracking.



Wall cracking.



Wall cracking.



Cracking in the cournice.

Defect 25. - Interior

Defect Location: Dining Room

Defect Summary: Timber Doors - Operation

Type of Defect: Operational

Description: The door is binding and needs easing.

Ongoing Consequence: Difficult to operate, Damage to surrounding

elements

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Carpenter



The door is binding and needs to be eased.

Defect 26. - Interior

Defect Location: Attached Garage

Defect Summary: Ceiling Sagging

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: Separation from framing The cournice is

damaged.

Ongoing Consequence: Further deterioration.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Plasterer,

Painter



The sagging ceiling.



The damaged cournice.

Defect 27. - Exterior

Defect Location: South Side

Defect Summary: Walls - Brick

Type of Defect: Damage

Description: The brick wall is damaged at the front entry.

Ongoing Consequence: Further deterioration.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Bricklayer



The damaged brickwork.

Defect 28. - Subfloor

Defect Location: Various areas.

Defect Summary: Ant Shielding

Type of Defect: Installation

Description: Inadequate

Ongoing Consequence: Increase risk of undetected termite entry

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Timber Pest

Inspector



The ant shielding in the subfloor is inadequate. (this is typical to the era of construction)

Defect 29. - Subfloor

Defect Location: The timber framing in the subfloor.

Defect Summary: Water staining adjacent to the shower.

Type of Defect: Material deterioration

Description: The timber floor framing is water stained.

Ongoing Consequence: Further deterioration.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Tiler



The water stained timber next to the shower in the subfloor the shower is leaking. The timber was structurally sound on the day of the inspection.

Defect 30. - Interior

Defect Location: Various Areas

Defect Summary: Metal Windows/Doors - Fittings and Hardware

Type of Defect: Damage, Material deterioration

Description: The locks do not function as expected The sash

balances need replacing.

Ongoing Consequence: Further deterioration of the window.

Opinion of Cracking: Not Applicable

Building Professional:

Note: This defect should be referred to a qualified building professional for the

repairs/scope of work required.

Building Professional Required: Glazier



The windows throughout the property need maintenance.

CONCLUSIONS

CRACKING OF BUILDING ITEMS

Important information regarding cracking in masonry and concrete

Regardless of the type of crack(s) a Pre Purchase Building Inspector carrying out a Pre Purchase Inspection within the scope of a visual inspection is unable to determine the expected consequences of the cracks.

Obtaining Information regarding:

- 1. (a) The nature of the foundation material on which the building is resting
- 2. The design of the footings
- 3. (c) The site landscape
- 4. (d) The history of the cracks and
- 5. (e) Carrying out an invasive inspection

All fall outside the scope of this Pre Purchase Inspection. However the information obtained from the five items above are valuable, in determining the expected consequences of the cracking and any remedial work needed.

Cracks that are small in width and length on the day of the inspection may have the potential to develop over time into Structural Problems for the Home Owner resulting in major expensive rectification work been carried out.

If cracks have been identified in the table below, a Structural Engineering inspection is recommended.

Cracking of Masonry and/or Concrete

Туре	Area	Description	Opinion of Cracking
Exterior	North Side, South Side	There is stepped cracking, There is vertical cracking	Serviceability cracking

Definitions

Appearance Defect - Where in the inspector's opinion the appearance of the building item has deteriorated at the time of the inspection and the significance of this cracking is unknown until further information is obtained.

Serviceability Defect - Where in the inspector's opinion the performance of the building item is flawed at the time of the inspection and the expected significance of this cracking is unknown until further information is obtained.

Structural Defect - Where in the inspector's opinion the structural soundness of the building item has diminished at the time of the inspection and the expected significance of this cracking is unknown until further information is obtained.

Other Inspections and Reports Required

It is recommended that the following Inspections and/or repairs/work required is obtained from the following trades and/or professions.

Recommendations

Recommendations from the Report

- Bricklayer
- Engineer
- Carpenter
- Painter
- Plumber
- Plasterer
- Tiler
- Electrician
- · Roof Plumber
- Timber Pest Inspector
- Glazier

Other Inspections Recommended

Electrical, Plumbing

SIGNED BY INSPECTOR

Date:

18/07/2022

Signed:



CONTACT THE INSPECTOR

If you have any questions regarding the report, please feel free to contact the inspector. It can be challenging to communicate defects, their severity, and any inspection limitations in a manner the reader can comprehend. If you have any concerns or require any additional clarification you should contact the inspector immediately before acting on this report.

Type of Defects

The definitions below relate to the Type of Defect associated with the building element/item fixture or fitting.

Damage: The building element/item fixture or fitting is damaged, cracked or broken and is not fit for it's intended purpose.

Distortion, warping, twisting: The building element/item fixture or fitting has shifted from its intended position.

Water Penetration, Dampness: Water ingress and/or dampness is found in unexpected or undesirable area(s).

Material Deterioration: The building element/item fixture or fitting is deteriorating due to rusting, corrosion, rot or decay.

Operational: The building element/item fixture or fitting does not perform as expected.

Installation: The building element/item fixture or fitting has not been installed as expected, is ineffective, unsuitable and/or has absent components.

Structural Defect: Weakness or departure from the expected structural performance of a structural building element.

Acceptance Criteria

The building will be compared to a comparable building of roughly the same age that has been constructed with the commonly accepted method at the time the building was built, and which has been maintained as expected so there has been no significant loss of strength and/or serviceability.

High: The occurrence and/or extent of defects exceeds the inspector's expectations when compared to a comparable building of roughly the same age that has been maintained as expected.

Typical: The occurrence and/or extent of defects is as the inspector anticipated when compared to a comparable building of roughly the same age that has been maintained as expected.

Low: The occurrence and/or extent of defects is lower than the inspector's expectations when compared to a comparable building of roughly the same age that has been maintained as expected.

Average: The overall condition of the building is consistent with buildings of roughly the same age. There will be some building elements that require some repair and/or maintenance.

Above Average: The overall condition of the building is above average when compared to a building roughly the same age. The building has been well maintained.

Below Average: The overall condition of the building is poor when compared with buildings of roughly the same age. There are significant defects to building elements requiring renewal, repair and/or maintenance.

Definitions

Accessible Area: is any area of the site and structures permitting safe and Reasonable Access to perform the inspection.

Building Inspection Agreemnet: Shall be the agreement between the client and the inspector entered into prior to the inspection taking place. This agreement includes, but is not limited to, defined purpose, specific scope/areas of inspection, acceptance criteria and limitations. Should this report be transferred, the subsequent buyer of the property shall be bound by all terms and conditions of the Building Inspection Agreement, as detailed under Clause 11 of this Report. Providing the Buyer agrees to the terms of the Building Inspection Agreement, then they may rely on the report subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement and the Report itself.

Structural Element: Physically noticeable part of a structure. E.g., Walls, including interior, exterior, and screen, Floors, Roof and Ceiling frames, Beams and Connections.

Building Element: Section or part of a building which, by itself and/or in conjunction with other sections or parts, achieves a characteristic function. E.g., supporting, enclosing, completing or servicing a building space.

Major Defect: A defect of significant extent where remedial works must be carried out in order to

prevent un unsafe environment, loss of utility or further deterioration of the property and/or building.

Minor Defect: Any other defect that is not a Major Defect. **Note:** the inspector is not required to comment on individual minor defects and imperfections.

Safety Hazard: Current or pending serious safety hazard.

Residential Building: is a building or structure within the boundaries, under the main roof (including post initial construction). Includes Verandas constructed at the same time as the main dwelling. Alfresco under main roof. Attached and/or standalone structures containing habitable rooms. Retaining walls directly associated with the foundations of the Residential Building.

This Building inspection was conducted as follows:

- 1. in the case of a non-strata title property to comply with AS4349.1-2007 Inspections of Buildings;
- 2. In the case of a Community title or strata the Inspector did not inspect Body Corporate common property and the inspection will be limited to areas within the Lot or individual unit to comply with AS 4349.1-2007.

Terms, Conditions and Limitations

- 1. The report is not an "all-inclusive" report that considers the property from every aspect and is subject to the agreed scope of the inspection.
- 2. Unless noted otherwise, inspector conducted a visual, non-invasive inspection of the building elements only to the safe and accessible areas as outlined in the scope of the agreement.
- 3. The inspection is a reasonable attempt to identify major defects and safety hazards at the time of inspection.
- 4. The report is not a Certificate of Compliance with any Building Permit, Building License, Act, Regulation, Ordinance, By-law Standard or Code.
- 5. The report is not a warranty against problems arising in the future. Defects reported can further deteriorate or become a safety hazard if not attended to by a qualified professional.
- 6. Inspection on Strata, Company and Community title type buildings are limited to the interior and immediate exterior of the unit. It is recommended that the client review all available records of the Body Corporate including Maintenance Plans.
- 7. This is not a Structural Engineers Report. Where defects of a structural nature are identified, a Structural Engineers report maybe required.
- 8. Any Estimates Provided in the report are merely an educated guess by the inspector using their knowledge and experience to estimate the possible likely costs to be incurred. The estimate is not a guarantee or quotation for work to be carried out. It is recommended that independent quotes are obtained from trade professionals. The inspector accepts no responsibility or liability for any estimates provided.

- 9. The minimum space required for inspection is as follows:
 - a. beneath a floor vertical clearance not less 450mm;
 - b. exterior walls or roof and ceilings will only be inspected if it can be reached safely having regards to work and safety by use of a safe ladder which can be extended to a maximum of 3.6 metres from ground level;
 - c. roof void minimum access size must not be less than 450mm x 450mm with vertical space 600mm X 600mm for reasonable movement;
- 10. Not Included in the Scope of the Inspection:
 - a. Common areas of Strata, Company and Community title type properties.
 - b. Timber Pest Activity.
 - c. Presence or absence of mould.
 - d. Identification of ACM (Asbestos Containing Material).
 - e. Identification of flooring containing Magnesite.
 - f. Inaccessible or partly inaccessible areas.
 - g. Areas where access was denied.
 - h. Defects that may have been concealed.
 - i. Rising damp and water ingress (leaks) that maybe subject to prevailing weather conditions.
 - j. Water ingress (leaks) that are subject to services not being used for a period of time. i.e. shower recesses.
 - k. Technical assessment of electrical, gas, plumbing and mechanical installations.
 - I. Site drainage.
 - m. Swimming and Spa Pools.
 - n. Identification illegal building works.
 - o. Breaking apart and/or dismantling.
 - p. Removing or moving objects and materials included but not limited to vegetation, roof insulation, floor or wall coverings. Ceilings. Floors. Furniture. Appliances.
 - q. Removing or moving stored goods and/or personal possessions.
 - r. Impact to the buildings footings when trees are in close proximity.
 - s. Septic tanks.
- 11. Disclaimer of Liability: Compensation will only be payable for losses arising in contract or tort sustained by the Client named on the front of this Report. Any third party acting or relying on this Report, in whole or in part, does so entirely at their own risk. However, if ordered by a Real Estate Agent or a Seller for the purpose of auctioning, set date sale or private treaty of a property, then the Inspection Report may be ordered up to thirty (30) days prior to the auction, set date sale or listing, copies may be given out prior to the auction/sale and the Report will have a life of sixty (60) days from the date of Inspection during which time it may be transferred to the Buyer. Providing the Buyer agrees to the terms of the Building Inspection Agreement, then they may rely on the report, subject to the terms and conditions of the Building Inspection Agreement and the Report itself.

12. Complaints Procedure: If there are any claim and/or dispute arises with regards to the inspection and/or report you should inform us immediately by email. You must permit us full access to all areas of the property that relate to the claim and/or dispute. Within 28 days of receipt of your claim we respond to you in writing. In the event you are not satisfied with our response you must refer the matter to a Mediator nominated by us from the Australian Mediations Association Limited must within (21 days) from the date of our response. The parties shall bear equally the costs of the mediation. If you initiate court proceedings without observing the above Complaints Procedure and the proceedings are set aside, stayed or adjourned then you agree to be responsible for any costs and expenses incurred by us and you agree to keep us indemnified of such costs and expenses incurred by us.