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- 3.3.1 Exterior Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps: Deck Water Sealant Required
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1: INSPECTION DETAILS

Information

In Attendance

Buyer, Buyer Agent

Temperature (approximate)

80 Fahrenheit (F)

Occupancy

Furnished, Vacant

Type of Building

Detached, Single Family

Style

Multi-level

Weather Conditions

Clear

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2: STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS

		IN	NI	NP	D
2.1	Foundation, Basement & Crawlspaces	Χ			Χ
2.2	Floor Structure	Χ			
2.3	Wall Structure	Χ			Χ
2.4	Ceiling Structure	Χ			
2.5	Roof Structure & Attic	Χ			

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D = Deficiencies

Information

Inspection Method

Attic Access, Infrared, Visual

OSB

Floor Structure: Sub-floor

Concrete

Roof Structure & Attic: Material

Wood

Foundation, Basement & **Crawlspaces: Material**

Concrete

Floor Structure:

Basement/Crawlspace Floor

Roof Structure & Attic: Type

Gable

Floor Structure: Material

Wood I-Joists

Ceiling Structure: Material

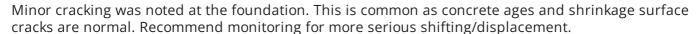
Wood

Deficiencies

2.1.1 Foundation, Basement & Crawlspaces

FOUNDATION CRACKS - MINOR

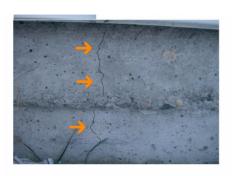
SOUTH EXTERIOR



Here is an informational article on foundation cracks.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.

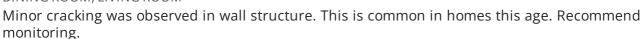




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CRACKS - MINOR

DINING ROOM, LIVING ROOM



Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project





2.3.2 Wall Structure

EVIDENCE OF STRUCTURAL DAMAGE



Evidence of structural damage was found in the wall structure. Recommend a structural engineer evaluate and advise on how to repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified structural engineer.





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3: EXTERIOR

		IN	NI	NP	D
3.1	Siding, Flashing & Trim	Χ			Χ
3.2	Exterior Doors	Χ			
3.3	Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps	Χ			Χ
3.4	Eaves, Soffits & Fascia	Χ			
3.5	Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls	Χ			Χ
3.6	Walkways, Patios & Driveways	Χ			

Information

Inspection Method

Attic Access, Infrared, Visual

Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps: Appurtenance
Deck, Front Porch

Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding Material

Vinyl, Brick

Decks, Balconies, Porches &

Steps: Material Wood, Concrete

Siding, Flashing & Trim: Siding

Style Lap

Deficiencies

3.1.1 Siding, Flashing & Trim

WARPING/BUCKLING

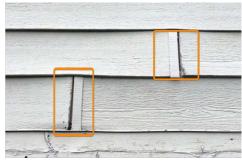
NORTH EXTERIOR

Vinyl siding was warping or buckling in areas. This is often as a result of nailing siding boards to tight to the home, preventing expansion/contraction. Recommend a qualified siding contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.





3.3.1 Decks, Balconies, Porches & Steps

DECK - WATER SEALANT REQUIRED

Deck is showing signs of weathering and/or water damage. Recommend water sealant/weatherproofing be applied.

Here is a helpful article on staining & sealing your deck.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project





3.5.1 Vegetation, Grading, Drainage & Retaining Walls

STANDING WATER



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Standing water observed, which could indicate poor drainage and/or grading. Recommend monitor and/or have landscaper correct.

Here is a resource on dealing with standing water in your yard.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified landscaping contractor



Water pooling in yard; recommend drainage

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4: ROOFING

		IN	NI	NP	D
4.1	Coverings	Χ			Χ
4.2	Roof Drainage Systems	Χ			Χ
4.3	Flashings	Χ			Χ
4.4	Skylights, Chimneys & Roof Penetrations	Χ			Χ

Information

Inspection MethodGround, Ladder, Roof

Coverings: MaterialAsphalt

Flashings: Material Aluminum

Deficiencies

4.1.1 Coverings

SHINGLES MISSING

SOUTH FACING

Observed areas that appeared to be missing sufficient coverings. Recommend qualified roofing contractor evaluate & repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.2.1 Roof Drainage Systems

DEBRIS

Debris has accumulated in the gutters. Recommend cleaning to facilitate water flow.

Here is a DIY resource for cleaning your gutters.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.2.2 Roof Drainage Systems

DOWNSPOUTS DRAIN NEAR HOUSE



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One or more downspouts drain too close to the home's foundation. This can result in excessive moisture in the soil at the foundation, which can lead to foundation/structural movement. Recommend a qualified contractor adjust downspout extensions to drain at least 6 feet from the foundation.

Here is a helpful DIY link and video on draining water flow away from your house.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.3.1 Flashings

LOOSE/SEPARATED

Flashings observed to be loose or separated, which can lead to water intrusion and/or mold. Recommend a qualified roofing contractor repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.



4.4.1 Skylights, Chimneys & Roof Penetrations

SKYLIGHT CRACKED

Skylight was cracked in one or more places. Recommend a qualified roofing contractor repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified roofing professional.





Broken skylight presents risk of water entry and glass shards entering house.

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5: PLUMBING

		IN	NI	NP	D
5.1	Fixtures / Faucets	Χ			Χ
5.2	Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems	Χ			
5.3	Water Heater	Χ			Χ
5.4	Vents, Flues, & Chimneys	Χ			
5.5	Sump Pumps / Sewage Ejectors	Χ			
5.6	Fuel Storage & Distribution Systems	Χ			

Information

Filters Material - Distribution Material - Water Supply

None Copper, Pex Copper

Source Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems: Drain, Waste, & Vent Systems:

Public Drain Size Material 2" PVC

Water Heater: Manufacturer Water Heater: Power Source Water Heater: Capacity

Whirlpool Gas 50 Gallons

Water Heater: Location

Basement

Deficiencies

5.1.1 Fixtures / Faucets



BATHTUB PAINT PEELING

Bathtub paint is peeling off. Recommend replacement or qualified repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified professional.



5.1.2 Fixtures / Faucets

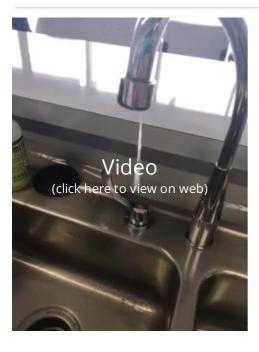
FAUCET DRIP

A faucet is dripping. Recommend qualified handyman or plumber repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.

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5.1.3 Fixtures / Faucets



TOILET LEAKING

Toilet is dripping near water supply. Recommend qualified handyman or plumber repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.



5.3.1 Water Heater

IRREGULAR FLAME



Water heater flame is irregular. Recommend qualified plumber evaluate & repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified plumbing contractor.



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6: ELECTRICAL

		IN	NI	NP	D
6.1	Service Entrance Conductors	Χ			
6.2	Service and Grounding Equipment, Main Overcurrent Device, Main and Distribution Panels	Х			
6.3	Branch Circuit Conductors, Overcurrent Devices and Compatibility of Their Amperage & Voltage	Х			
6.4	Connected Devices and Fixtures (Representative number of switches and receptacles in the home, garage & exterior)	Х			Х
6.5	Polarity and Grounding of Receptacles	Χ			
6.6	GFCI & AFCI	Χ			
6.7	Smoke Detectors	Χ			Χ
6.8	Carbon Monoxide Detectors	Χ			Χ

Information

Branch Wire 15 and 20 AMP

Wiring Method
Conduit

Copper

Deficiencies

6.4.1 Connected Devices and Fixtures (Representative number of switches and receptacles in the home, garage & exterior)



COVER PLATES DAMAGED

One or more receptacles have a damaged cover plate. Recommend replacement.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified electrical contractor.



Scorch marks on cover plate

6.8.1 Carbon Monoxide Detectors

LOW BATTERY

Carbon monoxide detector failed to respond when tested. Recommend battery be replaced.

Recommendation

Recommended DIY Project

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7: HEATING

		IN	NI	NP	D
7.1	Heating Equipment	Χ			Х
7.2	Distribution Systems	Χ			
7.3	Vents, Flues & Chimneys	Χ			

Information

Heating Equipment: Energy

Source Gas **Heating Equipment: Heat Type**

Forced Air

Deficiencies

7.1.1 Heating Equipment



FILTER REQUIRES REPLACEMENT

The furnace filter appears to be beyond its expected lifespan. Recommend replacement.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.



7.1.2 Heating Equipment

MANIFOLDS DIRTY

Cleaning manifolds will result in better air quality.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.





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8: AIR CONDITIONING

		IN	NI	NP	D
8.1	Cooling Equipment	Χ			Χ
8.2	Distribution System	Χ			Χ

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Maintenance Item

Information

Cooling Equipment: Brand

Amana

Cooling Equipment: Energy Source/Type

Gas

Cooling Equipment: Location

Roof

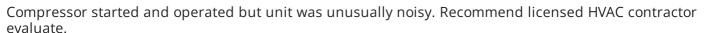
Distribution System:

Configuration Central

Deficiencies

8.1.1 Cooling Equipment

UNUSUALLY NOISY



Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.

8.2.1 Distribution System

LOOSE CONNECTION

There are loose connections on ducts, resulting in energy loss. Recommend licensed HVAC contractor resecure.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.





Loose connection; recommend sealing.

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9: INTERIORS

		IN	NI	NP	D
9.1	Walls	Χ			Χ
9.2	Ceilings	Χ			
9.3	Floors	Χ			Χ
9.4	Steps, Stairways & Railings	Χ			
9.5	Countertops & Cabinets (Representative number)	Χ			Χ
9.6	Doors (Representative number)	Χ			Χ
9.7	Windows (Representative number)	Χ			Χ
9.8	Garage Door	Χ			

Information

Walls: Wall MaterialGypsum Board

Countertops & Cabinets (Representative number): Countertop Material

Granite

Ceilings: Ceiling MaterialGypsum Board

Countertops & Cabinets (Representative number):

Cabinetry Laminate **Floors: Floor Coverings**Hardwood, Carpet, Tile

Windows (Representative number): Window Type
Sliders

Deficiencies

9.1.1 Walls

POOR PATCHING



Recommendation

Contact a qualified drywall contractor.



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9.3.1 Floors

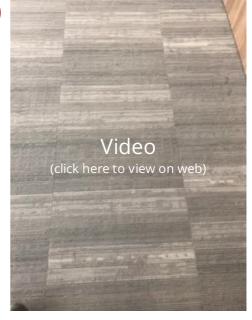
MODERATE WEAR



Floors in the home exhibited moderate surface wear along major paths of travel. Recommend a qualified flooring contractor evaluate for possible re-finish.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified flooring contractor



9.3.2 Floors

TILES LOOSE

Deficiencies

Loose tiles are present. Recommend re-attach and seal. Recommendation

Contact a qualified flooring contractor



9.5.1 Countertops & Cabinets (Representative number)



COUNTERTOP CRACKED/CHIPPED

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Countertop had one or more cracks or chips. Recommend qualified countertop contractor evaluate and repair.

Here is a helpful article on repairing cracks, chips & fissures.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified countertop contractor.



9.6.1 Doors (Representative number)

Deficiencies

HINGES LOOSE

Loose hinges can cause door to stick or eventually fall out of place. Recommend handyman tighten hinges.

Here is a DIY article on fixing loose hinges.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified handyman.



9.7.1 Windows (Representative number)



MISSING SCREEN

Window missing screen. Recommend replacement.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified window repair/installation contractor.



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10: BUILT-IN APPLIANCES

		IN	NI	NP	D
10.1	Dishwasher	Χ			
10.2	Refrigerator	Χ			
10.3	Range/Oven/Cooktop	Χ			
10.4	Garbage Disposal	Χ			

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Information

Dishwasher: Brand

Kitchenaid

Refrigerator: Brand

Kenmore

Range/Oven/Cooktop:

Range/Oven Energy Source

Electric

Range/Oven/Cooktop:

Range/Oven Brand

Kenmore

Range/Oven/Cooktop: Exhaust

Hood Type Vented

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11: INSULATION AND VENTILATION

		IN	NI	NP	D
11.1	Attic Insulation	Χ			Χ
11.2	Vapor Retarders	Χ			
11.3	Ventilation	Χ			
11.4	Exhaust Systems	Χ			Χ

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Information

Dryer Power Source

220 Electric

Attic Insulation: R-value

40

Exhaust Systems: Exhaust Fans

None

Dryer Vent Flooring Insulation Loose Fill Metal

Attic Insulation: Insulation Type

Blown Passive

Ventilation: Ventilation Type

Deficiencies

11.1.1 Attic Insulation



Recommendation

insulation.

Contact a qualified insulation contractor.





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DUCTS LOOSE

Ductwork in the attic is loose or disconnected. Recommend repair. Recommendation

Contact a qualified HVAC professional.



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12: FIREPLACES AND FUEL-BURNING APPLIANCES

		IN	NI	NP	D
12.1	Fireplaces, Stoves & Inserts	Χ			Χ
12.2	Fuel-buring Accessories	Χ			
12.3	Chimney & Vent Systems	Χ			

Information

Type

Wood

Deficiencies

12.1.1 Fireplaces, Stoves & Inserts



FIREWALL CRACKED

The brick lining of the fireplace was cracked in one or more places, which could lead to chimney damage or toxic fumes entering the home. Recommend a qualified fireplace contractor evaluate and repair.

Recommendation

Contact a qualified fireplace contractor.



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STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

Structural Components

3. STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS 3.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect structural components including the foundation and framing. B. describe: 1. the methods used to inspect under floor crawlspaces and attics. 2. the foundation. 3. the floor structure. 4. the wall structure. 5. the ceiling structure. 6. the roof structure. 3.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. provide engineering or architectural services or analysis. B. offer an opinion about the adequacy of structural systems and components. C. enter under floor crawlspace areas that have less than 24 inches of vertical clearance between components and the ground or that have an access opening smaller than 16 inches by 24 inches. D. traverse attic load-bearing components that are concealed by insulation or by other materials.

Exterior

4.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. wall coverings, flashing, and trim. 2. exterior doors. 3. attached and adjacent decks, balconies, stoops, steps, porches, and their associated railings. 4. eaves, soffits, and fascias where accessible from the ground level. 5. vegetation, grading, surface drainage, and retaining walls that are likely to adversely affect the building. 6. adjacent and entryway walkways, patios, and drive- ways. B. describe wall coverings. 4.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. screening, shutters, awnings, and similar seasonal accessories. B. fences, boundary walls, and similar structures. C. geological and soil conditions. D. recreational facilities. E. outbuildings other than garages and carports. F. seawalls, break-walls, and docks. G. erosion control and earth stabilization measures.

Roofing

5.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. roofing materials. 2. roof drainage systems. 3. flashing. 4. skylights, chimneys, and roof penetrations. B. describe: 1. roofing materials. 2. methods used to inspect the roofing. 5.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. antennas. B. interiors of vent systems, ues, and chimneys that are not readily accessible. C. other installed accessories.

Plumbing

6.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. interior water supply and distribution systems including fixtures and faucets. 2. interior drain, waste, and vent systems including fixtures. 3. water heating equipment and hot water supply systems. 4. vent systems, flues, and chimneys. 5. fuel storage and fuel distribution systems. 6. sewage ejectors, sump pumps, and related piping. B. describe: 1. interior water supply, drain, waste, and vent piping materials. 2. water heating equipment including energy source(s). 3. location of main water and fuel shut-off valves. 6.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. clothes washing machine connections. 2. interiors of vent systems, flues, and chimneys that are not readily accessible. 3. wells, well pumps, and water storage related equipment. 4. water conditioning systems. 5. solar, geothermal, and other renewable energy water heating systems. 6. manual and automatic re extinguishing and sprinkler systems and landscape irrigation systems. 7. septic and other sewage disposal systems. B. determine: 1. whether water supply and sewage disposal are public or private. 2. water quality. 3. the adequacy of combustion air components. C. measure water supply ow and pressure, and well water quantity. D. fill shower pans and fixtures to test for leaks.

Electrical

7.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. service drop. 2. service entrance conductors, cables, and raceways. 3. service equipment and main disconnects. 4. service grounding. 5. interior components of service panels and subpanels. 6. conductors. 7. overcurrent protection devices. 8. a representative number of installed lighting fixtures, switches, and receptacles. 9. ground fault circuit interrupters and arc fault circuit interrupters. B. describe: 1. amperage rating of the service. 2. location of main disconnect(s) and subpanels. 3. presence or absence of smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms. 4. the predominant branch circuit wiring method. 7.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. remote control devices. 2. or test smoke and carbon monoxide alarms, security systems, and other signaling and warning devices. 3. low voltage wiring systems and components. 4. ancillary wiring systems and components not a part of the primary electrical power distribution system. 5. solar, geothermal, wind, and other renewable energy systems. B. measure amperage, voltage, and impedance. C. determine the age and type of smoke alarms and carbon monoxide alarms.

Heating

8.1 The inspector shall: A. open readily openable access panels. B. inspect: 1. installed heating equipment. 2. vent systems, ues, and chimneys. 3. distribution systems. C. describe: 1. energy source(s). 2. heating systems. 8.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. interiors of vent systems, ues, and chimneys that are not readily accessible. 2. heat exchangers. 3. humidi ers and dehumidi ers. 4. electric air cleaning and sanitizing devices. 5. heating systems using ground-source, water-source, solar, and renewable energy technologies. 6. heat-recovery and similar whole-house mechanical ventilation systems. B. determine: 1. heat supply adequacy and distribution balance. 2. the adequacy of combustion air components.

Air Conditioning

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9.1 The inspector shall: A. open readily openable access panels. B. inspect: 1. central and permanently installed cooling equipment. 2. distribution systems. C. describe: 1. energy source(s). 2. cooling systems. 9.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect electric air cleaning and sanitizing devices. B. determine cooling supply adequacy and distribution balance. C. inspect cooling units that are not permanently installed or that are installed in windows. D. inspect cooling systems using ground-source, wa- ter-source, solar, and renewable energy technologies.

Interiors

10.1 The inspector shall inspect: A. walls, ceilings, and floors. B. steps, stairways, and railings. C. countertops and a representative number of installed cabinets. D. a representative number of doors and windows. E. garage vehicle doors and garage vehicle door operators. F. installed ovens, ranges, surface cooking appliances, microwave ovens, dishwashing machines, and food waste grinders by using normal operating controls to activate the primary function. 10.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: A. paint, wallpaper, and other finish treatments. B. floor coverings. C. window treatments. D. coatings on and the hermetic seals between panes of window glass. E. central vacuum systems. F. recreational facilities. G. installed and free-standing kitchen and laundry appliances not listed in Section 10.1.F. H. appliance thermostats including their calibration, adequacy of heating elements, self cleaning oven cycles, indicator lights, door seals, timers, clocks, timed features, and other specialized features of the appliance. I. operate, or confirm the operation of every control and feature of an inspected appliance.

Built-in Appliances

10.1 The inspector shall inspect: F. installed ovens, ranges, surface cooking appliances, microwave ovens, dishwashing machines, and food waste grinders by using normal operating controls to activate the primary function. 10.2 The inspector is NOT required to inspect: G. installed and free-standing kitchen and laundry appliances not listed in Section 10.1.F. H. appliance thermostats including their calibration, adequacy of heating elements, self cleaning oven cycles, indicator lights, door seals, timers, clocks, timed features, and other specialized features of the appliance. I. operate, or con rm the operation of every control and feature of an inspected appliance.

Insulation and Ventilation

11.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. insulation and vapor retarders in un nished spaces. 2. ventilation of attics and foundation areas. 3. kitchen, bathroom, laundry, and similar exhaust systems. 4. clothes dryer exhaust systems. B. describe: 1. insulation and vapor retarders in unfinished spaces. 2. absence of insulation in unfinished spaces at conditioned surfaces. 11.2 The inspector is NOT required to disturb insulation.

Fireplaces and Fuel-Burning Appliances

12.1 The inspector shall: A. inspect: 1. fuel-burning replaces, stoves, and replace inserts. 2. fuel-burning accessories installed in replaces. 3. chimneys and vent systems. B. describe systems and components listed in 12.1.A.1 and .2. 12.2 The inspector is NOT required to: A. inspect: 1. interiors of vent systems, ues, and chimneys that are not readily accessible. 2. fire screens and doors. 3. seals and gaskets. 4. automatic fuel feed devices. 5. mantles and replace surrounds. 6. combustion air components and to determine their adequacy. 7. heat distribution assists (gravity fed and fan assisted). 8. fuel-burning replaces and appliances located out- side the inspected structures. B. determine draft characteristics. C. move fireplace inserts and stoves or firebox contents.

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