

Home Inspection Checklist

Print this checklist and take it with you when you're taking a close look at a home before making an offer on it. Use it to record your observations and note defects. This checklist is for informational purposes only and is not a replacement for the services of a qualified inspector.

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|---------------------------------------|---------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--|---------------|--|
| Address | | | | | | | |
| Listing agent's name and phone number | | | | | | | |
| Listing agent's e-mail address | | | | | | | |
| Price | | Taxes | | School district | | | |
| Lot size (sq. feet) | | Lot dimensions | | | | | |
| House size (sq. feet) | | No. of bedrooms | | No. of bathrooms | | No. of floors | |
| House style and color | | | | | | | |
| House faces | north__ | south__ | east__ | west__ | | | |
| Daytime street traffic | | | | Nighttime street traffic | | | |
| Air traffic | | | Train traffic | | | | |
| Sidewalks | Yes__ | No__ | Nearby playgrounds | | | | |
| Children nearby | | | | | | | |
| Pets nearby | | | | | | | |

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| Proximity to schools | | Proximity to shopping | |
| Maintenance records available | Yes___ No___ | Location on the block | |
| Age and condition of electrical | | | |
| Age and condition of plumbing | | | |
| Age and condition of heating | | | |
| Age and condition of air conditioning | | | |
| Landscaping features | | Garden | |
| Architectural features | | | |
| Condition of neighboring houses | | | |
| Why seller wants to sell | | | |

Comments

Visible Condition of the Property

Using the key below, apply the letter that best describes the condition of each item.

Comments

Exterior

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Key | |
| Front door | |
| M - Missing | |
| Front door condition | |
| G - Good condition | |
| Back door | |
| S - Scratched | |
| Back screen door | |
| D - Damaged | |
| B - Broken | |
| Screen and storm windows | |
| R - Repair/Replacements needed | |
| Glass and frames | |
| Siding/brick, etc. | |
| Mailbox | |
| Doorbell | |
| House number | |
| Garbage container | |
| Recycling containers | |
| Paint and trim | |
| Patios and decks | |
| Roof and flashing | |
| Chimney | |
| Gutters | |
| Eaves | |
| Driveway | |
| Shed | |
| Garage | |

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|------------------|-----------|
| Outdoor lighting | |
| Parking | |
| Drainage | |
| Retaining wall | |
| Soil movement | |
| Yard | |
| Other | |

Dining Room

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Windows | |
| Carpet or floor | |
| Walls | |
| Ceiling | |
| Lights and switches | |
| Outlets | |
| Baseboards | |
| Trim | |
| Other | |

Dining Room

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|---------|-----------|
|---------|-----------|

Kitchen

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Windows | |
| Floor | |
| Walls | |
| Ceiling | |
| Lights and switches | |
| Outlets | |
| Stove | |
| Refrigerator | |
| Sink | |
| Cabinets and counter | |
| Baseboards | |
| Trim | |
| Other | |

Living Room

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|---------|-----------|
| Door | |
| Windows | |

Living Room

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Carpet or floor | |
| Walls | |
| Windows | |
| Carpet or floor | |
| Walls | |
| Ceiling | |
| Outlets, including cable outlet | |
| Lights and switches | |

Hallway and Stairwell

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Floor | |
| Walls | |
| Ceiling | |
| Lights and switches | |
| Outlets | |
| Baseboards | |
| Trim | |
| Stair treads | |
| Stair structure | |
| Landing and handrail | |

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| Other | |

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Bedrooms

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|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | Bedroom 1 | Bedroom 2 | Bedroom 3 | Bedroom 4 |
| Door | | | | |
| Windows | | | | |
| Carpet or floor | | | | |
| Walls | | | | |
| Ceiling | | | | |
| Lights and switches | | | | |
| Outlets | | | | |
| Closet | | | | |
| Baseboards | | | | |
| Trim | | | | |
| Other | | | | |
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Bathrooms

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|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Bathroom 1 | Bathroom 2 | Bathroom 3 | Bathroom 4 |
| Door | | | | |
| Window | | | | |
| Floor | | | | |
| Walls | | | | |
| Ceiling | | | | |
| Sink | | | | |
| Tub/shower | | | | |
| Toilet | | | | |
| Cabinet, shelves, closet | | | | |
| Towel bars | | | | |
| Lights and switches | | | | |
| Outlets | | | | |
| Baseboards | | | | |
| Trim | | | | |
| Other | | | | |
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Fireplace

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|----------------|-----------|
| Damper | |
| Firebox | |
| Chimney | |
| Spark arrestor | |
| Rain cap | |
| Other | |
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Basement

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|---------------|-----------|
| Sump and pump | |
| Stairs | |
| Other | |
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Basement

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|---------------------|-----------|
| Door | |
| Windows | |
| Floor | |
| Walls | |
| Ceiling | |
| Storage | |
| Foundation | |
| Lights and switches | |
| Outlets | |
| Baseboards | |
| Trim | |

Plumbing

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|-----------|-----------|
| Pressure | |
| Drainage | |
| Hot water | |
| Washer | |
| Dryer | |

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Hot Water Heater

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Properly strapped | |
| Reasonable temperature | |
| Pressure control | |
| Other | |
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Heating and Cooling

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|------------------|-----------|
| Furnace | |
| Air conditioning | |
| Other | |
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Furniture

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|----------------|-----------|
| Kitchen chairs | |
| Tables | |
| End tables | |
| Lounge chairs | |
| Couches | |

Furniture

| FEATURE | CONDITION |
|-------------|-----------|
| Lamps | |
| Desks | |
| Desk chairs | |
| Bookshelves | |
| Beds | |
| Mattresses | |
| Dressers | |
| Other | |
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