

Using this checklist will allow you to evaluate your home's overall condition, including its structural soundness. However, it is not intended to replace a comprehensive home inspection done by a professional home inspector.

PROPERTY ADDRESS:		
DATE OF VIEWING:		
Exterior		
Is the grade of the land negative or leading towards the house? NOTE: Water is very damaging to home structures.	Yes	No
Are there any signs of water on the crawlspace flooring?	Yes	No
Do you notice a musty smell in the basement or crawlspace?	Yes	No
Do you see open cracks in the basement foundation walls? NOTE: Cracks that show any signs of moisture entry will likely need to be fixed.	Yes	No
What is the material used for the siding on the house?		
If it is stucco, do you notice any discoloration or darkened areas? NOTE: Stucco can hide water intrusion. These discolorations are most likely caused by moisture making its way beneath the surface of the stucco.	Yes	No
If it is wood or fiberboard, does it appear swollen and/or deteriorated? NOTE: Wood or fiberboard sidings require regular maintenance and monitoring.	Yes	No
If it is brick, do you see stair step cracks in the mortar? NOTE: Cracks may travel through the brick and may indicate a more serious problem.	Yes	No
How old is the roof?		
If the age of the roof is unknown, look for the following signs of wear:		
Are the shingles curled and/or wavy? NOTE: Standard shingles tend to curl or wave as they reach the end of their life.	Yes	No
Interior		
Do you see any moisture stains on the walls or ceilings?	Yes	No
Is there a smell of mold or mildew inside the house?	Yes	No
Do you find it difficult to see through the windows because they are cloudy?	Yes	No
Are there areas in the house where the floor is uneven?	Yes	No
Do you notice cracks in the walls?	Yes	No
Do all the doors in the house close properly?	Yes	No



More Key Information

Do you have documentation for any major changes done to the property like receipts, warranties, and/or permits?	Yes	No
Age of The Following Units: Heating Unit Average life span: 15 + years		
Outside Air Conditioning Unit Average life span: 7 + years		
Water Heater Average life span: 6 to 12 + years		

Life Expectancy Guide

Dishwasher	9 Years		
Disposal (food waste)	12 Years		
Exhaust Fans	10 Years		
Gas Oven/Range	10-18 Years		
Microwave Oven	9 Years		
Range/Oven Hood	14 Years		
Electric Range	13-15 Years		
Refrigerator	9-13 Years		

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