



## Building Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Fri, 27 Feb 2026

Property Address: 17 Buttercup St, Macquarie Fields NSW  
2564, Australia



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If you have any queries with this report or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the person who carried out the inspection.

This Report has been prepared in accordance with the pre-inspection agreement in place between the parties set out below, which set out the purpose and scope of the inspection, and the significant items that will be reported on.

This Report reflects the opinion of the inspector based on the documents that have been provided.

This Report should be read in its entirety and in the context of the agreed scope of Services. If there is a discrepancy between the summary findings and the body of the Report, the body of the Report will prevail.

We recommend that you should promptly implement any recommendation or advice in this Report, including recommendations of further inspections by another specialist.

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## The Parties

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Name of the Client:

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Name of the Principal(If Applicable):

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Job Address: 17 Buttercup St, Macquarie Fields NSW 2564, Australia

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Company Contact Numbers:

## Special conditions or instructions

A report may be conditional on information provided by the person, agents or employees of the person requesting the report, apparent concealment of possible defects and a range of other factors

The following apply: This report does not comment on common areas.

This report is based on the condition of the property at the time of inspection. We strongly recommend re-inspection 30 days after this report is issued as the general condition of the property is likely to have changed, including the extent of defects described and instance of potential undetected defects.

The following apply:

To help protect against financial loss, it is essential that the building owner immediately control or rectify any other defects and damage identified in this inspection report.

The report was commissioned for the sole use of the client and the liability does not extend to any third parties. Any third-party not named on page 3 of this report, acting or relying on this report, in whole or in part, does so entirely at their own risk.

The client should further investigate any high risk area where access was not gained.

This is recommended to be carried out ASAP by the owners.

It is recommended that a manhole being installed in an appropriate location in the ceiling of the property to gain full access for regular inspections to all areas of the roof void.

This report should be read in its entirety, including all defect statements referenced by pictures in full, to understand the report completely. Should you have any difficulty in understanding anything contained within this report. Then you should contact the inspector and have the matter explained to you prior to acting on this report

## Section A Results of Inspection - summary

A summary of your inspection is outlined below; please also refer to the Report.

	Found	Not Found
<b>Safety Hazard</b>		✓
<b>Major Defect</b>	✓	
<b>Minor Defect</b>	✓	

### Overall Condition

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is in poor condition with major and minor defects found.

## Section B General

### General description of the property

Building Type	Detached, Residential
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Brick Stumps or Piers, Concrete, Slab - Monolithic or Slab on Ground
Furnished	Furnished
Occupied	Occupied
No. of bedrooms	5
Orientation	North
Other Building Elements	Carport, Driveway, Fence - Fabricated Metal Fence
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Architectural Trims, Architraves, Door Frames, Doors, Eaves, Internal Joinery, Landscaping Timbers and Construction, Porch / Patio, Window Frames
Roof	Coated Metal, Pitched, Tiled, Timber Framed
Storeys	Single
Walls	Brick Veneer
Weather	Fine

## Section C Accessibility

### Areas Inspected

The following areas were inspected. As documented in your Pre-Inspection Agreement, obstructions and limitations to the accessible areas for inspection are to be expected in any inspection. Refer also to our listing of obstructions and limitations.

- Exterior
- Interior
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Roof Void - Part
- Subfloor - Part

The inspection excludes areas which are affected by obstructions or where access is limited or unsafe. We do not move obstructions and building defects may not be obvious unless obstructions or unsafe conditions are removed to provide access.

### Inaccessible Areas

The following areas were inaccessible:

- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection.
- Areas of skillion or flat roof - no access
- Ceiling Cavity - Part.
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Subfloor - Part.
- Wall exterior due to obstructions.

Any areas which are inaccessible at the time of inspection present a high risk for undetected building defects. The client is strongly advised to make arrangements to access inaccessible areas urgently wherever possible.

### Obstructions and Limitations

Building defects may be concealed by the following obstructions which prevented full inspection:

- Above safe working height
- Appliances and equipment
- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection
- Ceiling linings
- Debris or rubbish
- Duct work
- Evidence of recent renovation may obscure
- temporarily lower or reduce the overall levels of contaminant detected.
- Evidence of recently painted walls or ceilings
- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Fixed ceilings
- Floor coverings
- Furniture
- Insulation
- Stored items

- Vegetation
- Wall linings
- Wallpaper or Wall Coverings

The presence of obstructions increases the risk of undetected defects. The client should make arrangement to remove obstructions where ever possible and re-inspect these areas as a matter of urgency. See also overall risk rating for undetected defects.

### Undetected defect risk

A risk rating is provided to help you understand the degree to which accessibility issues and the presence of obstructions have limited the scope of the inspection

The risk of undetected defects is: - **High**

When the risk of undetected defects is medium or high we strongly recommend further inspection once access is provided or if the obstruction can be removed. Contact us for further advice

## Section D Significant Items

### Safety Hazard

No evidence was found

### Major Defect

#### Defects 2.01

Building: Main Building

Location: Dining Room

Finding: Evidence of Excessive moisture - identified - Major Defect

Information: Evidence of excessive moisture recorded by moisture meter in the dining room ceiling.

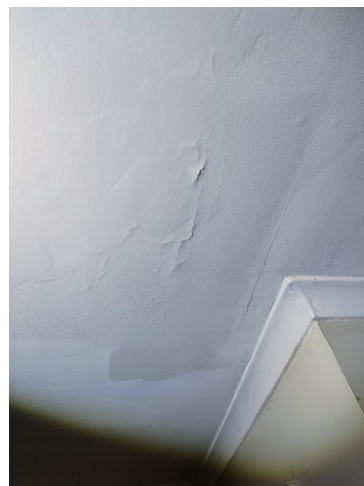
Excessive moisture can attract termites and produce conditions that promote fungal growth and wood decay.

Excessive moisture is generally caused by deteriorated, inadequate or missing roof drainage, leaking plumbing pipes or fixtures, poorly plumbed HWS overflows or condenser units and poor site drainage.

If mould growth has been found there may be environmental biological or health issues involved. In these cases an appropriately qualified inspector should also be contacted.

Prior to any remedial works being performed a qualified plumber should be appointed to further inspect the property and to identify the cause of the excessive moisture. Works to remove affected building elements may then be necessary and should be performed by an appropriate tradesperson.







### Defects 2.02

Building: Main Building  
Location: Both Main and Granny unit Bathroom walls  
Finding: Evidence of Excessive moisture - identified in both bathroom

## Information:

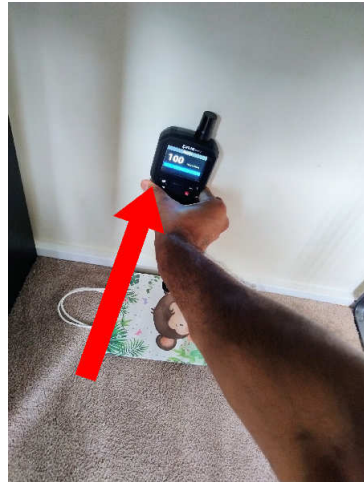
Evidence of excessive moisture recorded by moisture meter in both Bathroom walls ( Main builds and Granny Flat ) and shower area walls at the time of inspection. Excessive moisture can attract termites and produce conditions that promote fungal growth and wood decay.

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### Defects 2.03

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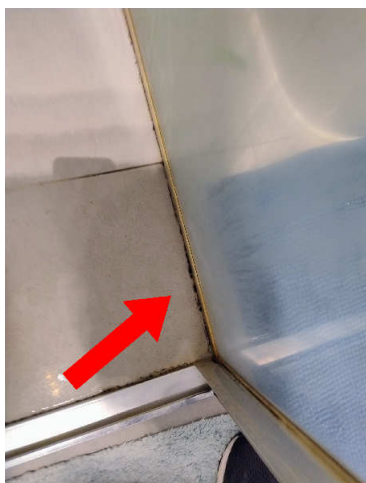
Location: Bathroom

Finding: Mould - Present

Information: Mould were observed at the time of inspection in bathroom area. Where evidence of mould growth was noted, there may be environmental, biological or health issues associated with the report. A specialist inspection by a suitably qualified environmental health inspector is warranted, where mould is extensive or where any queries regarding air quality spores or other related issues apply.

Generally, the client is advised to ensure that the general environment is free of moisture and humidity to aid in the prevention of mould formation and development. Any mould found during the inspection should be cleaned immediately by a cleaning contractor or the homeowner as applicable.

Please note that severely affected building elements may require replacement by a registered builder or qualified carpenter.



### Defects 2.04

Building: Main Building  
Location: Subfloor  
Finding: Water leak - Active - Detoriation to timber flooring

## Information:

Water ponding was observed near the pipe in subfloor at the time of inspection near toilet and bathroom area. And Tiber structure below floor is deteriorated due to water leak at the time of inspection.

Generally, water leaks occur when a particular area of the property is not weather or water tight. As the surrounding area was found to be very damp at the time of inspection, the leak is considered ongoing and hence requires urgent action.

Regardless of the location, even minor leaks that are left unmanaged can lead to serious damage of associated building elements and result in the need for replacement of building materials. Mould and other hazards such as electrical hazards may also arise if the leak is left to develop.

It is highly advised that the cause of the leak be identified and resolved immediately by a licensed plumber to prevent any further damage. Depending on the extent of the damage previously sustained, repair and/or replacement of any affected building materials may be required.





## Minor Defect

### Defects 3.01

Building: Main Building

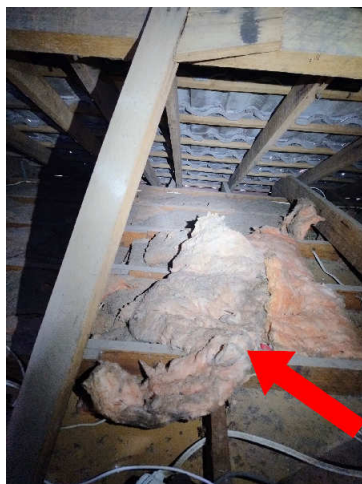
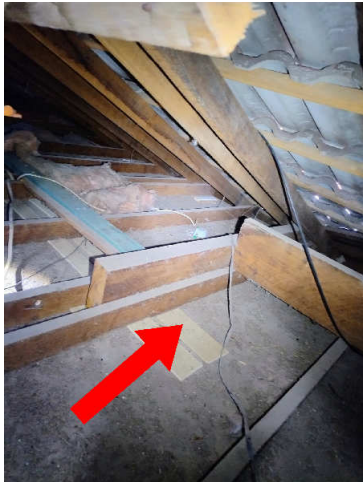
Location: Roof Void

Finding: Insulation - Missing and misplaced

Information: Upon inspection of the roof void it was noted that insulation is not properly placed and missing at some location.

Insufficient insulation will result in a comparatively higher cost to heat and cool a property as there is a lack of Insulation (or uneven coverage of insulation) which works as a barrier to heat transfer. This helps to keep out unwanted heat in summer and preserves warmth inside your home in winter. It can also help soundproof your home from unwanted airborne noise transfer.

Where insulation is absent, the area does not meet current Australian Standards. Installation of adequate insulation is required and should be conducted as soon as possible.



**Defects 3.02**

Building: Main Building  
Location: All External Areas

Finding: Brickwork - Cracking [Fine] - external wall

Information: Several cracks were observed in the side wall under patio and the exterior rear walls rear elevation.  
Generally, the cause of a fine crack is indicative of a separation between brickwork and mortar throughout the structure, but single bricks may also show cracks of this nature.

Cracking of this nature can generally be repaired with minor filling and should be conducted by a qualified bricklayer.

Always contact a building inspector should cracks widen lengthen or become more numerous.





### Defects 3.03

Building: Main Building

Location: Bathroom

Finding: Outer screen - Damaged

Information: Outer partition screen were found to be Damaged in right side elevation area at the time of inspection.

A general handyperson may be appointed to replace flyscreens at the discretion of the client.



### Defects 3.04

Building: Main Building

Location: Roof Void

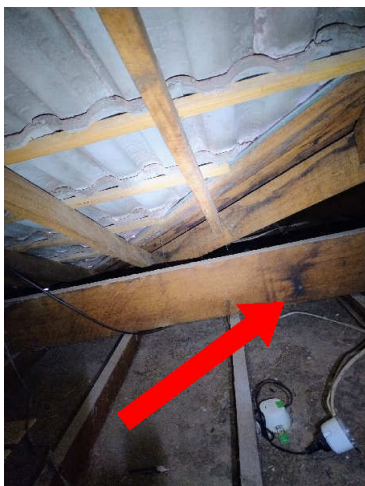
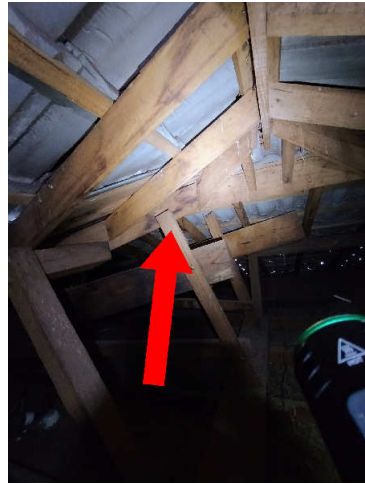
Finding: Stained timbers

Information: At the time of the inspection, water staining was observed in Roof void areas. The staining was visually evident, with discoloration and marks present on the surface.

This suggests that the staining is likely a result of a previous water intrusion event that has since dried. It is recommended that the cause of the water staining be further investigated by means of an invasive inspection, to ensure that there are no underlying issues that could lead to a MAJOR defect and future moisture problems.

The vendor or the real estate agent might be able to provide further information on the cause of the staining and potential rectification at the time. Otherwise, a roofing contractor is recommended to investigate the roof flashings for any areas of water ingress as soon as possible.

It is also advisable to monitor the area for any signs of recurring moisture or new staining.





### Defects 3.05

Building: Main Building  
Location: Roof Exterior  
Finding: Roof tiles - Weathered

## Information:

Upon inspection of the exterior roofing, the majority of roof tiles were considered to be in a fair condition. While weathering of the tiles is consistent with the age of the property, maintenance works are required.

Isolated areas of mortar have come loose in the valleys and minor cracking is also present. Re-pointing and re-sealing the may be considered as an interim solution by the client to help preserve and extend the life span of the tiles.

Where left unmanaged, deteriorating roof tiles are likely to lead to a number of secondary defects, including minor water leaks and weather exposure to internal roofing structures.

Consultation with a roofing contractor is highly advised to gain advice on cost of remedial works that may be required in the short to medium term. Remedial works are likely to increase the longevity of the exterior roofing structure.





### Defects 3.06

Building: Main Building

Location: Yard - Side

Finding: Air conditioner unit - Not connected overflow

Information: The Air Conditioner (A/C) overflow was found to be not connected to storm water drainage and is creating excessive moisture in the surrounding area.

Such leaking creates an environment which is conducive to an array of defects, including water damage to associated building elements and the attraction of termite or timber pest infestation.

It is highly recommended that a licensed plumber be appointed to connect the A/C overflow in order to prevent such an environment from being created. These minor works should be carried out as soon as possible.



### Defects 3.07

Building: Main Building

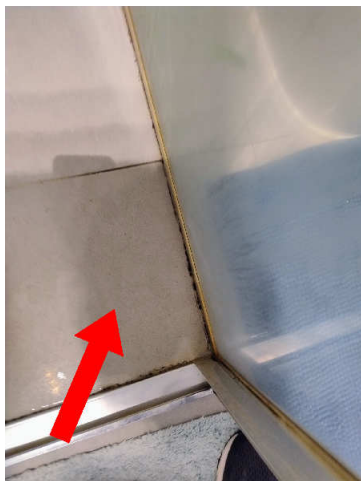
Location: Bathroom

Finding: Floors - bouncy

Information: The internal flooring in shower area was identified as being bouncy at the time of inspection. A bouncy floor surface generally presents as a discernible change in level as they are walked across, in noisy or creaking flooring, or in consequent movement of surrounding furniture and fixtures.

Bouncy floors generally indicate that the floorboards or the subfloor structures are coming loose from the joists that they are installed on. Bouncy flooring may also be the result of gaps between flooring and stumps or joist structures, which require packing.

The client is advised to seek quotations for required repairs from a Registered Builder specialising in re-stumping. The potential resolution may range from packing gaps in subfloor structures through to replacement of subfloors stumps and refixing of flooring.



### Defects 3.08

Building: Main Building

Location: Carport

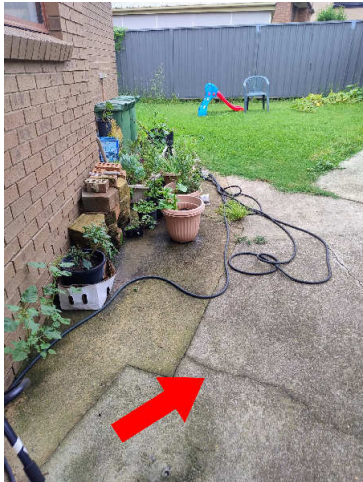
Finding: Crack in concrete slab - Category 2

Information: A crack coded as Category 2 was identified in the slab in carport area at the time of inspection. A Category 2 crack is described as a distinct crack, with the slab being noticeably curved or changed in level.

To be considered Category 2, the approximate width of the crack is less than 2.0mm, or a change in offset of less than 15mm when a 3m straight edge is placed over the defect.

Category 2 cracks to slabs should be monitored for a period of 12 months. At the end of the monitoring period, cracks rated greater than Category 2 are considered defects that require rectification.





**Defects 3.09**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Exterior walls - left and Right side  
Finding: Cracking - Damage Category 2 - Noticeable Mould

## Information:

Cracks damage and moulds were observed to the exterior of ceiling soffit of both side face unit.

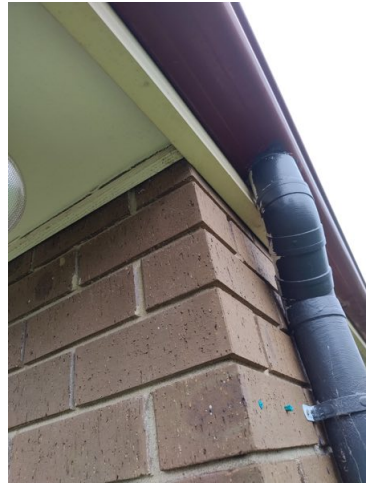
Noticeable cracks are a common occurrence as a result of many primary defects. Such causes may include age, general wear and tear, expected building movement, general expansion/contraction of building materials in different weather conditions, and/or minor failings in the installation or application of building materials. Also mould represents the wet and moisture attracted condition within the surface.

Noticeable cracks may result in minor sticking or jamming of associated doors and windows, which require easement. However, noticeable cracks are easily filled and repaired. A plasterer can be consulted to install an expansion joint at this point to allow for this movement during different weather conditions.

Monitoring of all cracking should be conducted frequently. Always contact a building inspector should cracks widen, lengthen, or become more numerous. Additionally, your building inspector should also be contacted if associated building elements such as doors and windows become more difficult to operate over time.

Relevant tradespeople, such as carpenters, painters and plasterers, should be appointed to perform remedial works, as deemed necessary.





**Defects 3.10**

Building: Main Building

Location: All Internal Areas

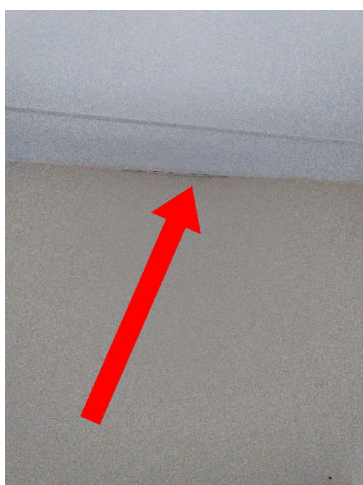
Finding: Cracking - Damage Category 2 - Noticeable (up to 5mm)

Information: Several cracks in all internal areas were observed at the time of inspection. Noticeable cracks are a common occurrence as a result of many primary defects. Such causes may include age, general wear and tear, expected building movement, general expansion/contraction of building materials in different weather conditions, and/or minor failings in the installation or application of building materials.

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**Defects 3.11**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Kitchen

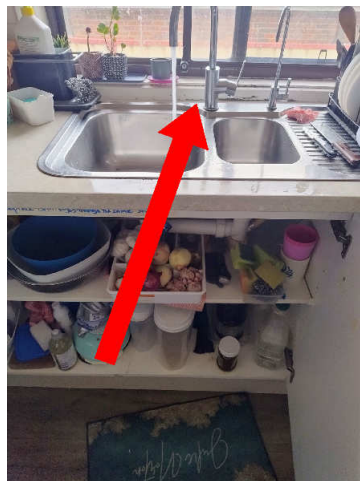
Finding: Timber near wash basin - Swollen

Information: Window timber near kitchen wash basin area was observed to be swollen at the time of inspection. Swollen building elements generally indicate that the building materials have been affected by excessive moisture over a prolonged period of time, and have swollen as a result. The formation and development of mould/fungi or mildew is also a likely consequence of excessive moisture, which may pose major respiratory issues for occupants, particularly the elderly, the very young and those with existing illnesses and could be potential health safety hazards. In these cases an appropriately qualified inspector/tester should also be contacted for advice and/or technical assistance.

The structural integrity of swollen building elements can not be guaranteed, and further damage is likely to develop if left unmanaged. Excessive moisture is likely to lead to the development of secondary damage to any associated building elements, which may necessitate major reparation works if prolonged.

Rectification of the cause of the water leak should be addressed prior to any remedial works to the swollen building elements. A licensed plumber should be appointed immediately to identify the cause of the leak and provide advice on remedial works as necessary, Repair and/or replacement of swollen building elements should be conducted as a matter of urgency by a registered builder or qualified carpenter.





### Defects 3.12

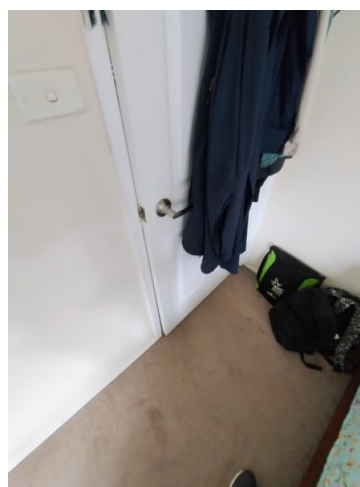
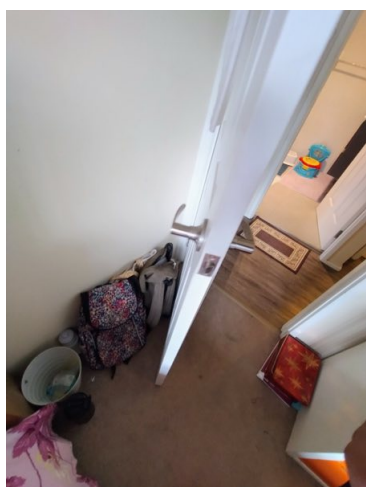
Building: Main Building

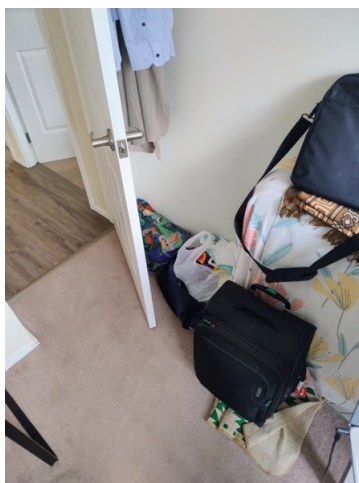
Location: All Bedroom

Finding: Door stop - Missing

Information: The door stop was missing and was inadequate to stop the door handle from damaging the wall in all bedrooms at the time of inspection. Although some building elements may seem irrelevant or unnecessary, all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

Re-installation or replacement of the door stop is advised as soon as possible to prevent any subsequent damage to the door or associated structures. A general handyman may be appointed to perform these works at client discretion.





### Defects 3.13

Building: Main Building

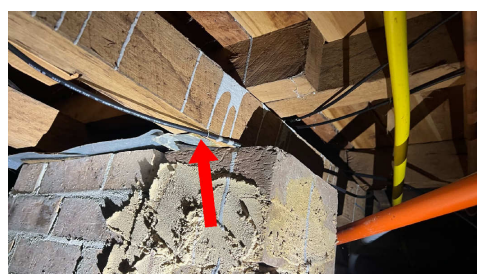
Location: Subfloor

Finding: Ant caps - Poor installation

Information: Ant caps have not been installed properly to the subfloor structure at some locations at the time of inspection. Generally, ant caps are installed to the intersection between the top of the stumps (or piers) and the subfloor structures.

Installed during the construction process, ant caps are designed to easily identify termite or pest ingress from stumps to the adjoining bearers.

Where ant caps have not been installed properly, frequent monitoring of these areas should be carried out in order to identify any signs of termite or timber pest workings.



### Defects 3.14

Building:	Granny-Flat
Location:	Airconditioning Vent or Intake
Finding:	Air conditioner - Disconnected overflow
Information:	The Air Conditioner (A/C) overflow was found to be disconnected from storm water drainage and is creating excessive moisture in the surrounding area at the time of inspection.

Such leaking creates an environment which is conducive to an array of defects, including water damage to associated building elements and the attraction of termite or timber pest infestation.

It is highly recommended that a licensed plumber be appointed to connect the A/C overflow in order to prevent such an environment from being created. These minor works should be carried out as soon as possible.



### Defects 3.15

Building:	Granny-Flat
Location:	Bathroom
Finding:	Sealant and Grouting - Damaged or Detoriorated

## Information:

It was noted on inspection that sealant or grout is degraded to the tiled shower alcove and or other areas of the bathroom in Granny flat.

Different materials and floor areas move at different rates, generally causing cracking to grout or sealant at this point. A flexible sealant is required to allow for expected expansion and contraction, while keeping the joint water tight and protective of all associated building materials.

There mould to the sealant and grout which will likely require scraping out and replacement.

Flexible and mould resistant materials should be applied to affected areas to prevent any subsequent water damage that is likely to occur. Regular maintenance and replacement of damage or missing or damaged sealant and grout is highly recommended to the wet areas, as this is a regular wear and tear defect. Sealant and grouting in areas that come into regular contact with water should be maintained for the long term care of your property.

This can lead to water ingress into the shower base and creates conducive condition to termite activity. If left unmanaged can cause further deterioration to building elements.

Qualified trade person or plumber must be appointed for rectification on priority.





### Defects 3.16

Building:	Granny-Flat
Location:	Roof Void
Finding:	Roof void entrance side timber - Damaged
Information:	<p>Timber at the rood void entrance was observed to be damaged at the time of inspection.</p> <p>Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).</p>

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.



### Defects 3.17

Building: Granny-Flat

Location: Bathroom

Finding: Door handle - Not latching

Information: It was noted that the door in bathroom area was not latching during operation at the time of inspection. Whilst detracting from the functionality of this building element, this minor defect may also be a security risk, and may therefore have serious implications if left unattended.

It is suspected that this defect has occurred due to minor issues with the associated hinges. Such damage is identified as general wear and tear, which is expected for building elements of this age.

A qualified carpenter or general handyperson may be appointed to perform rectification works as necessary, at client discretion. If left unattended, further functional impairment is likely to occur.



## Section D Significant Items

### D4 Further Inspections

We advise that you seek additional specialist inspections from a qualified and, where appropriate, licensed

- As identified in summary and defect statements
- Damp Proofing Specialist
- Licensed Bricklayer
- Licensed Electrician
- Licensed Plumber specialising in Roof Plumbing
- Registered/Licensed Builder
- Sub Floor Ventilation Specialist

Jim's Building Inspections can put you in contact with qualified and licensed providers of these and other trades services. Please contact your inspector for recommendations, or visit [www.jims.net](http://www.jims.net).

### D5 Conclusion - Assessment of overall condition of property

This is a visual report as per AS4349 and as per agreed pre-inspection agreement that you have received from us.

This summary must be read in conjunction with the defects list.

The purchaser should ensure all extensions and additions are council approved and completed by licensed trades.

Repair of all other defects are recommended. If left unattended, secondary minor or major defects can ensue.

Number of Major and Minor defects were present at the time of inspection.

#### MAJOR DEFECTS

- Evidence of Excessive moisture - identified in both main building and Granny unit bathroom walls
- Evidence of Excessive moisture - identified in ceiling of dining area of main building.
- Mould - Present in main building bathroom
- Active water leak and damage to timber floor in subfloor below bathroom and shower area

#### MINOR DEFECTS

All minor defects may develop into safety hazards or major defects if they are not attended to. The following defects and other defects in the report are highly advised to be fixed to avoid further damage or deterioration of building elements and to prevent further financial loss.

- Tiles Bouncy, Sealant and Grouting damaged in bathroom of main building
- Air conditioner unit - Not connected overflow for both the main building and Granny flat
- All Bedroom Door stop - Missing in main building
- Cracking - Damage Category 2 - Noticeable for slab, External walls and internal gyprock of main building
- Stained timbers, Insulation - Missing and misplaced in roof void of main building
- Ant caps - Poor installation in main building bathroom
- Bathroom door not latching and roof void entrance side timber damaged in Granny flat.

Please Note: This is a general appraisal only and cannot be relied on its own - read the report in its entirety.

The purpose of this inspection is to provide advice to the Client regarding the condition of the property at the time of the inspection. This inspection is a visual assessment of the property to identify major defects and to form an opinion regarding the condition of the property at the time of the inspection.

This Summary is supplied to allow a quick and superficial overview of the inspection results. This Summary is NOT the Report and cannot be relied upon on its own. This Summary must be read in conjunction with the full report and not in isolation from the report. If there should happen to be any discrepancy between anything in the Report and anything in this Summary, the information in the Report shall override that in this Summary.

A Building Inspection to AS4349.1-2007 "Appendix C" is not intended as a certificate of compliance of the property within the requirements of any act, regulation, ordinance, or by-law or as a warranty or an insurance policy against problems developing with the building in the future.

Estimating the cost of defects is not included in the Building Inspection Report AS4349.1-2007 "Appendix C" although it may form part of a special-purpose property report.

Please be aware that limitations did affect the inspection and area of low clearance and poor access meant a complete inspection of the all roof and subfloor space was not possible and areas of stored items, insulation and garden vegetation meant some areas were obstructed.

It is strongly recommended that full access is gained as major defects and/or damage may be concealed.

Please read all the defects and recommendations carefully and read the report in its entirety.

For further information, advice and clarification please contact Ankit Gandhi on 0469817152

## Definitions to help you better understand this report

Access hole (cover)	An opening in flooring or ceiling or other parts of a structure (such as service hatch, removable panel) to allow for entry to carry out an inspection, maintenance or repair.
Accessible area	An area of the site where sufficient, safe and reasonable access is available to allow inspection within the scope of the inspection.
Appearance defect	Fault or deviation from the intended appearance of a building element.
Asbestos-Containing Material (ACM)	Asbestos-containing material (ACM) means any material or thing that, as part of its design, contains asbestos.
Building element	A portion of a building that, by itself or in combination with other such parts, fulfils a characteristic function NOTE: For example supporting, enclosing, furnishing or servicing building space.
Client	The person or other entity for whom the inspection is being carried out.
Defect	Fault or deviation from the intended condition of a material, assembly, or component.
Detailed assessment	An assessment by an accredited sampler to determine the extent and magnitude of methamphetamine contamination in a property.
Inspection	Close and careful scrutiny of a building carried out without dismantling, in order to arrive at a reliable conclusion as to the condition of the building.
Inspector	Person or organisation responsible for carrying out the inspection.
Limitation	Any factor that prevents full or proper inspection of the building.
Major defect	A defect of sufficient magnitude where rectification has to be carried out in order to avoid unsafe conditions, loss of utility or further deterioration of the property.
Methamphetamine	An amphetamine-type stimulant that is highly addictive Methamphetamine is a controlled substance, classified as a Class A (very high-risk) drug under the Misuse of Drug Act This term is used as a grouping term to include all substances screened for, specifically: Ephedrine, Pseudoephedrine, Amphetamine, Methamphetamine, MDA and MDMA.
Methamphetamine contamination	A property or part of a property where the level of methamphetamine has been tested in accordance with this standard and found to exceed 0.5 micrograms/100 cm <sup>2</sup> (Residential) or 10 micrograms/100 cm <sup>2</sup> (Commercial).

Methamphetamine production/manufacture	The manufacture of methamphetamine, including processing, packaging, and storage of methamphetamine and associated chemicals.
Minor defect	A defect other than a major defect.
Roof space/Roof void	Space between the roof covering and the ceiling immediately below the roof covering.
Screening assessment	An assessment by a screening sampler to determine whether or not methamphetamine is present.
Serviceability defect	Fault or deviation from the intended serviceability performance of a building element.
Significant item	An item that is to be reported in accordance with the scope of the inspection.
Site	Allotment of land on which a building stands or is to be erected.
Structural defect	Fault or deviation from the intended structural performance of a building element.
Structural element	Physically distinguishable part of a structure NOTE: For example wall, columns, beam, connection.
Subfloor space	Space between the underside of a suspended floor and the ground.
Urgent and Serious Safety Hazards	Building elements or situations that present a current or immediate potential threat of injury or disease to persons.

## Terms on which this report was prepared

This report is based on the condition of the property at the time of inspection. We strongly recommend re-inspection 30 days after this report is issued as the general condition of the property is likely to have changed, including the extent of defects described and instance of potential undetected defects.

This report has been prepared in accordance with and subject to the pre-inspection agreement in place between the parties, which forms part of this Report.

*This Report is prepared for the client identified above and may not be relied on by any other person without our express permission or by the purchase of this Report on our website.*

SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE SCOPE, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS IN YOUR PRE-INSPECTION AGREEMENT AND THIS REPORT

Any of the exclusions or limitations identified for this Report may be the subject of a special-purpose inspection which we recommend being undertaken by an appropriately qualified inspector

### RELIANCE AND DISCLOSURE

This report has been prepared based on conditions at the time of the report.

We own the copyright in this report and may make it available to third parties.

If your Property is in the Australian Capital Territory, you acknowledge we will make certain information about this Report available to the ACT Government for inclusion in the building and pest inspections public register if required under the *Civil Law (Sale of Residential Property) Act 2003*. This will include the fact the report has been prepared, the Property street address, date of the inspection, the name of the person who prepared the report and (if applicable) the entity that employs them.

### UNDETECTED DEFECT RISK RATING

If this Report has identified a medium or high-risk rating for undetected defects, we strongly recommend a further inspection of areas that were inaccessible. This may include an invasive inspection that requires the removal or cutting of walls, floors or ceilings.

*If the Property has been vacant for a period of time, moisture levels or leaks may not be detectable at the time of the inspection because often only frequent use of water pipes (showers, taps etc) result in a leak being identifiable. We advise further testing on pipes and water susceptible areas (such as the bathroom and laundry) after more frequent use has occurred.*

### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION:

**This is not a report by a licensed plumber or electrician.** We recommend a special-purpose report to detect substandard or illegal plumbing and electrical work at the Property

**This is not a smoke alarm report.** We recommend all existing detectors in the Property be tested and advice sought as to the suitability of number, placement and operation.

**This is not a pest report.** As termites are widespread throughout mainland Australia we recommend annual timber pest inspections.

**This is not an asbestos report.** There are potential products in the Property containing asbestos that will not be identified in this report. In order to accurately identify asbestos, we recommend performing an asbestos inspection, particularly for buildings built prior to 1988.

**This is not a report on safety glass.** Glazing in older homes may not reflect current standards and may cause significant injury if damaged. Exercise caution around the glass in older homes.

**This is not a report on window opening restrictions.** We have not inspected window opening restrictors. Window openings in older buildings may not reflect current standards and can be a potential risk. Window opening restrictors are advised for all second story or above windows with sill heights below 900mm. Some states make this a mandatory requirement. Owners should enquire of their local and state requirements to ensure compliance.

**This is not a report on pool safety.** If a swimming pool is present it should be the subject to a special purpose pool inspection.

**External Timber Structures - Balcony and Decks.** It is strongly recommended that a Structural Engineer is required to assess distributed load capacity of external timber structures such as balconies and decks, alerting users of the load capacity. Regular maintenance and inspections by competent practitioners to assess the ongoing durability of exposed external timber structures are needed.

**This is not a Group Titled Property Report as per AS4349.2.** If you require a report for a Group Titled Property as per this standard, please seek a separate inspection for Group Titled Properties.

## MOISTURE

The identification of moisture, dampness or the evidence of water penetration is dependent on the weather conditions at the time an inspection. The absence of dampness identified in this Report does not necessarily mean the Property will not experience some damp problems in other weather conditions or that roofs, walls or wet areas are watertight.

Where the evidence of water penetration is identified we recommend detailed investigation of waterproofing in the surrounding area monitoring of the affected area over a period of time to fully detect and assess the cause of dampness.

## MAINTENANCE OF THE PROPERTY

This Report is not a warranty or an insurance policy against problems developing with the Property in the future. Accordingly, a preventative maintenance program should be implemented which includes systematic inspections, detection and prevention of issues. Please contact the inspector who carried out this inspection for further advice.

## NO CERTIFICATION

- a) The Property has been compared to others of a similar age, construction type and method that had an acceptable level of basic maintenance completed.

- b) We don't advise you about title, ownership or other legal matters like easements, restrictions, covenants and planning laws. None of our inspections constitutes approval by a Building Surveyor, a certificate of occupancy or compliance with any law, regulation or standard, including any comment on whether the Property complies with current Australian Standards, Building Regulations or other legislative requirements.

### **RECTIFICATION COSTS**

We don't provide advice on the costs of rectification or repair unless specifically identified in the scope of the Report. Any cost advice provided verbally or in this report must be taken as of a general nature and is not to be relied on. Actual costs depend on the quality of materials, the standard of work, what price a contractor is prepared to do the work for and may be contingent on approvals, delays and unknown factors associated with third parties. No liability is accepted for costing advice.