



Building and Timber Pest Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Thu, 12 Feb 2026

Property Address: 37 Doe St, Rye VIC 3941, Australia



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The Parties

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The following apply: Not Applicable

Section A Results of Inspection - summary

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

	Found	Not Found
Safety Hazard	✓	
Major Defect		✓
Minor Defect	✓	
Live Timber Pest Activity		✓
Timber Pest Damage	✓	
Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity	✓	
Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage	✓	
Evidence of wood borer activity and/or damage		✓
Evidence of a previous termite management program		✓

Overall Condition (Building)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is in Fair condition with safety hazards and minor defects

Overall Condition (Timber Pest)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is highly susceptible to timber pests. Live activity and/or damage from timber pest activity was found at the time. A termite treatment is required.

Section B General

General description of the property

Building Type	Residential, Detached
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Suspended Timber Frame, Timber Stumps
Furnished	Furnished
No. of bedrooms	3
Occupied	Occupied
Orientation	North East
Other Building Elements	Fence - Post and Rail Construction, Carport
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Architraves, Door Frames, Doors, External Joinery, Fascias, Internal Joinery, Deck, Skirting Boards, Window Frames
Roof	Timber Framed, Coated Metal, Pitched
Storeys	Single
Walls	Timber Framed and Clad, Fibre Cement Sheets
Weather	Overcast

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.

- Interior
- Exterior
- Roof Exterior
- The Site
- Roof Void - Part
- Subfloor - Part

The inspection excludes areas which are affected by obstructions, where access is limited or unsafe. We do not move obstructions and defects, timber pest activity or conditions conducive to these may not be obvious unless they are removed.

Inaccessible Areas

The following areas were inaccessible:

- Subfloor - Part.
- Roof Exterior - Part

Any areas which are inaccessible at the time of inspection present a high risk for undetected defects and timber pest activity and conditions conducive to these. The client is advised to make inaccessible areas accessible wherever possible for re-inspection.

Obstructions and Limitations

Building defects, termite and timber pest activity as well as conditions conducive to both, may be concealed by the following obstructions which prevented full inspection:

- Appliances and equipment
- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection
- Ceiling linings
- Debris or rubbish

- Above safe working height
- Decking
- External finished ground level
- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Fixed ceilings
- Floor coverings
- Furniture
- Landscaping
- Vegetation
- Wall linings
- Stored items
- Subfloor area - Limited access due to restrictive crawl space

The presence of obstructions increases the risk of undetected building defects, timber pest activity and conditions conducive to these. The client should make arrangement to remove obstructions where ever possible and re-inspect these areas urgently.

Undetected defect risk (Building)

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.

Undetected defect risk (Timber Pest)

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

Finding 1.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Exterior walls - right side
Finding:	External landing or steps have not been constructed
Information:	The external door to the right hand side of the building opens directly to ground level however no external landing or steps have been constructed. The door threshold is elevated above the ground surface creating a vertical drop.

This is a potential safety hazard with increased risk of injury particularly to children, elderly documents, or visitors unfamiliar with the property.

A compliant landing and step system should be installed by a licensed builder as soon as possible.

The area should be restricted until rectification works are completed.



Finding 1.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Eaves
Finding:	Suspected asbestos - damaged sheeting
Information:	Damage was noticed to parts of the carport eaves. It is suspected the eaves contain asbestos.

Broken or deteriorated, asbestos cement sheeting poses a higher risk than intact material, as disturbance can result in the release of airborne asbestos fibres.

If the material does contain asbestos, broken or disturbed cement sheeting may release asbestos fibres, which pose a serious health risk if inhaled. Long-term

exposure to airborne asbestos fibres has been linked to severe illnesses, including asbestosis, lung cancer and mesothelioma.

Do not disturb the damaged cladding. Restrict access to the affected area where possible. Do not attempt repairs or removal without appropriate controls in place. Any works involving the material should comply with WorkSafe Victoria and EPA Victoria requirements. Removal must be carried out by a licensed asbestos removalist in accordance with Victorian regulations.

Reporting on Asbestos is outside the Scope of this Report. This suspected defect is highlighted as a caution only. We suspect, based on our experience in the building industry, that there is a higher risk of the identified building element containing asbestos.

As Asbestos Reporting is outside the scope of this report, we advise that you consider a separate Asbestos Inspection and Condition Audit, which can include the taking of samples for definitive confirmation of the presence of Asbestos.

In the interim, the client is advised to act with caution, especially when considering any damage to building materials, general wear and tear, renovations, extensions, demolition and general maintenance activities due to the suspected presence of Asbestos.



Major Defect

No evidence was found

Minor Defect

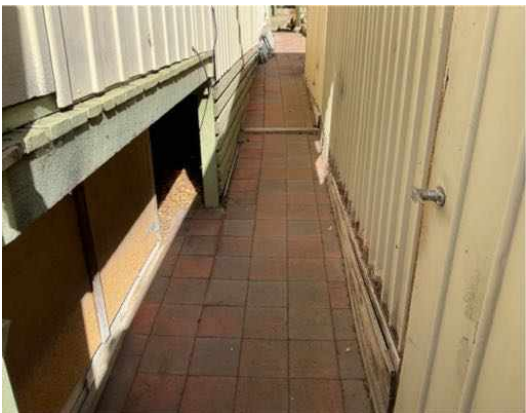
Finding 3.01

Building: Main Building
 Location: Yards
 Finding: Paving - Uneven

Information: Sections of the external paved areas are uneven, creating a potential trip hazard. It appears as though the area has been subject to rough installation, or that paving sections have lifted due to movements in the foundation of the property.

Where paving creates a trip hazard, personal injury may ensue if due caution is not taken by all persons within this area.

Re-paving of the area is required as soon as possible to remedy this situation. Further consultation with a specialist concreter is advised.





Finding 3.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Driveway
Finding:	Driveway Cracking
Information:	Cracks were identified in the driveway external concrete paving. Although cracks are quite noticeable, they are often only considered to be an appearance defect, and usually do not indicate any structural damage.

Generally the cause of the cracks in existing concrete paving such as driveways and pathways is indicative of the expansion and contraction of the concrete. Such causes are generally due to environmental factors, such as moisture levels, weather conditions, root systems of nearby trees or the soil types on which they are laid.

Cracks may also be due to poor original installation of the concrete. Factors such as poor compaction of the sub surface and/or inadequate reinforcing of the slab may create cracking and other secondary defects.

Monitoring of all cracking should be conducted frequently. Always contact a building inspector should cracks widen, lengthen, or become more numerous.





Finding 3.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Exterior
Finding:	External painting deteriorated
Information:	Much of the external paintwork has been neglected and requires attention to prepare and re-paint.

Whilst incomplete or missing paint finish is generally an appearance defect, it can also lead to the development of secondary building defects over time. Incomplete areas of paint finish expose the area to moisture, potentially accelerating the deterioration of underlying building materials.

Degraded paint finishes should be sanded back, filled, leveled and painted, as applicable. Where inadequate or missing paint protection has led to the deterioration of the associated building element, repair and/or replacement of this building element may be required.

A painting contractor should be appointed as soon as possible to perform necessary works to aid the appearance of the affected area and to ensure the area is protected against further deterioration. Alternatively, the homeowner following manufacturer instructions may perform these works.





Finding 3.04

Building: Main Building

Location: Roof Exterior

Finding: Gutters -Partially Blocked with debris

Information: It was noticed on inspection that some of the gutters were partially blocked with debris. Roof plumbing structures, such as guttering and downpipes, should be free of all debris to prevent blockages. Blockages of the guttering and downpipes will lead to pooling and accumulated water overflows, which is likely to subsequently flood eaves and exterior walls.

Where gutter guard is installed regular maintenance should include cleaning out any debris which may rest on top of or filter through the gutter guard.

Blocked gutters are likely to lead to high levels of moisture in the affected areas. Such moisture will not only cause rust and decay of the associated building materials, but can also provide conditions that are conducive to termite and timber pest activity. Blockages in gutters should therefore be removed immediately to ensure dry conditions are maintained.

Consult a Licensed Plumber for further specific advice on remedial works that may be required. In the interim, it is highly advised that blocked gutters be removed by the homeowner or a general handyperson as a matter of urgency.



Finding 3.05

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Carport
Finding:	Roof sheets deteriorated and fixings loose and rusted
Information:	Upon inspection of the exterior carport roof covering, it was noted that the fibreglass roof sheets have deteriorated and numerous roof fixings have become loose from their original fixings or are rusted. It is suspected that this defect has developed as a result of a lack of adequate maintenance, but may also have been caused by inappropriate fixings being used in the construction process.

Loose roof sheeting detracts from the weather tightness of the roof covering, making the internal roofing structure susceptible to water penetration and subsequent damage. If left unaddressed, it is likely that secondary damage to associated building elements will develop, potentially necessitating remedial works to these structures.

A roofing restoration contractor should be appointed to advise on rectification options and on the cost of repair. It is advised that remedial works be performed as soon as possible to prevent any further damage.



Finding 3.06

Building:	Main Building
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Location: Carport
 Finding: Flashings - Rusted or corroded
 Information: The carport flashing to the roof shows evidence of rusting and corrosion, which is likely to have developed as a result of excessive exposure to moisture and or inadequate coatings.

As surface rust provides no protection to the underlying iron, the deteriorating condition is likely to worsen if not addressed in the short-term future.

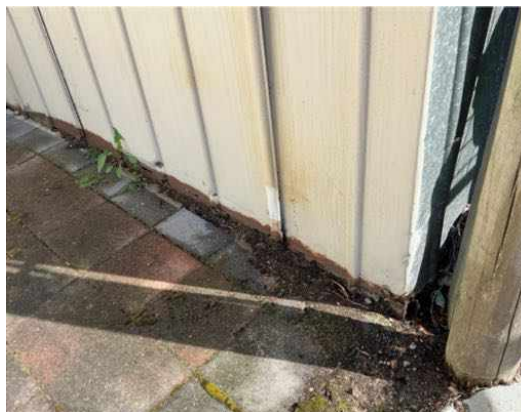
Where possible, the use of galvanized (treated) metals or aluminium coated metals aid in rust prevention, as does regular general maintenance. Rust formation can be controlled with coatings, such as paint, that isolate the iron from the environment.

Rusting and corrosion should be managed by ideally removing or limiting the affected surface from exposure to moisture. A registered builder may be appointed to replace any building elements that have been severely affected by rust or water damage.



Finding 3.07

Building: Main Building
 Location: Yard - Back
 Finding: Rust and damage to shed
 Information: Rust and damage to parts of the shed. Recommend repair/replacement by a handyman or carpenter to reduce the risk of future deterioration at the owners discretion.



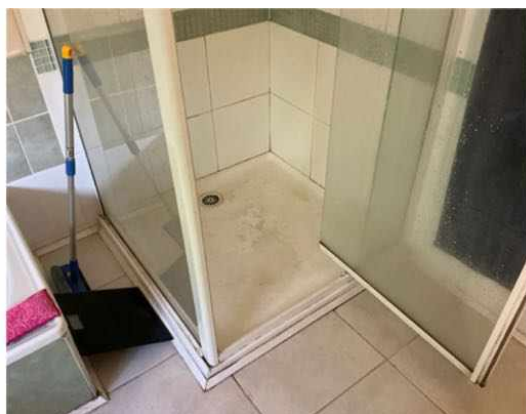
Finding 3.08

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Bathroom
Finding:	Bathroom Sealant grouting - Missing or damaged degraded
Information:	It was noted on inspection that sealant or grout is degraded/missing or damaged to the tiled shower alcoves and or other areas of the bathrooms.

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.

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.

A sealant specialist or tiling contractor should be appointed to complete these works as soon as possible



Finding 3.09

Building: Main Building
 Location: Kitchen
 Finding: Kitchen Sealant and grouting - Missing or damaged
 Information: It was noted on inspection that sealant or grout is degraded to the kitchen splash back and or other areas of the kitchen.

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Finding 3.10

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Laundry
Finding:	Laundry- Sealant and grouting - Missing or damaged
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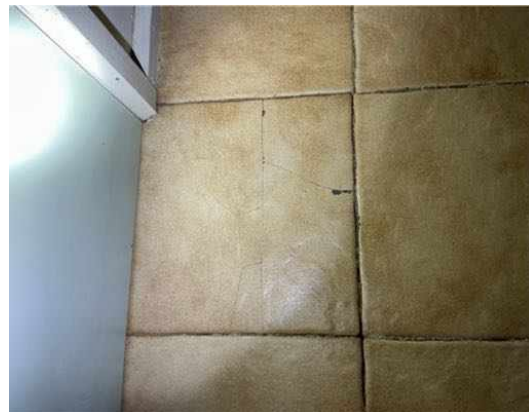


Finding 3.11

Building: Main Building
 Location: Laundry and kitchen
 Finding: Cracked tiles-laundry
 Information: Cracking/damage to the tiles was evident to the laundry and kitchen areas at the time of inspection. It is suspected that this cracking has occurred as a result of minor settlement/shrinkage or impact damage.

Cracked tiles to the household detract from the overall appearance of the affected areas however it is unlikely to create or lead to any secondary defects.

While not considered a matter of urgency, replacement of cracked tiles is recommended at the clients discretion. A tiling contractor may be appointed to perform these works. Where cracks become more numerous, contact a licensed building inspector for further investigation.





Finding 3.12

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Bathroom
Finding:	Door stop missing
Information:	The door stop to the bathroom is missing and is unable to stop the door furniture from damaging the wall. 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.



Live Timber Pest Activity

No evidence was found

Timber Pest Damage

Finding 5.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Yard - Back
Finding:	Evidence of termite activity to trees and stumps
Information:	During the inspection of the rear yard area evidence consistent with termite damage was observed to several trees and tree stumps within the backyard. The damage included timber deterioration and characteristics typically associated with termite activity.

No intrusive inspection of the affected trees or surrounding soil was undertaken at the time of inspection. The presence of termite damage to trees and stumps within close proximity to the dwelling increases the risk of termite activity impacting the main structure, as these materials can serve as a food source and potential nesting site.

It is recommended

Remove all affected tree stumps and timber debris from the property.

Further assessment by a licensed pest control specialist to determine the extent of termite activity in the yard area

Install an appropriate termite management system.

This observation relates only to visible evidence at the time of inspection. Termite activity may be present in concealed areas not visible during a standard visual building and pest inspection.



Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity

Finding 6.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	No Termite Management System - no evidence of a chemical installation
Information:	The application of a post-construction chemical termite barrier is highly recommended for all properties, particularly if live termite activity has been found on the site previously. Such barriers are highly effective in preventing termite attack on any timber building elements throughout the property.

A durable notice should be placed in the switchboard unit to indicate current termite barriers. At the time of inspection, it appeared as though no termite management system has been installed, with no evidence to suggest preventative works taking place.

The client may consider gaining further advice from a pest controller as to the costs and procedures involved with this application. It is recommended that obtaining such advice be a short-term priority.



Finding 6.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Bathroom
Finding:	Shower - Damp
Information:	Damp is evident to parts of the bathroom shower alcove found using using a moisture meter. This defect is quite common, and is suspected to have been caused by moisture permeating through the grouting in this area, which shows evidence of deterioration creating moist conditions. Leaking pipes within the adjoining wall is also a possible cause. Excessive moisture can attract termites.

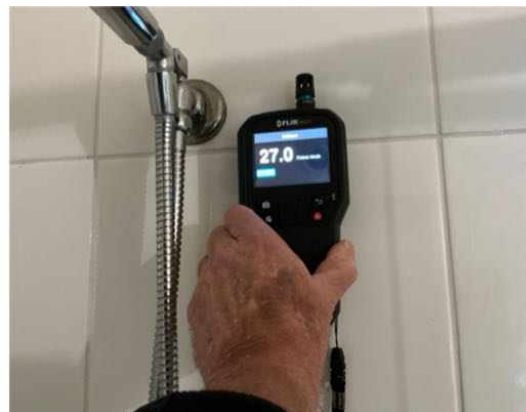
Damp (or structural damp) refers to the presence of unwanted moisture in the structure of a building, either as the result of intrusion from outside, or condensation

from within the structure. In the shower area, internal water leaks or other sources of excessive moisture are generally the cause of damp.

Unmanaged damp in the shower recess is likely to facilitate the formation and development of mould and fungi growth, decaying associated building materials and compromising their structural integrity. It is important to address damp conditions, as the World Health Organisation notes that excess moisture leads - on almost all indoor materials - to growth of microbes such as moulds, fungi and bacteria, which subsequently emit spores and other matter into the indoor air. Exposure to these contaminants is associated with a wide range of respiratory and other health-related problems.

Consultation with a qualified plumber or bathroom specialist is advised immediately to identify the cause of damp and to perform remedial works as required. Where excessive mould growth is present, further inspection by a specialist environmental health inspector should also be considered.

Always ensure that sealant and grout is in good condition to prevent any moisture issues occurring in the future.



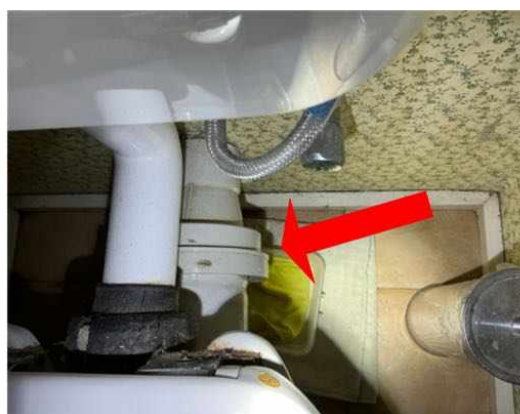


Finding 6.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Toilet (WC)
Finding:	Toilet - Leaking
Information:	At the time of inspection, the toilet showed evidence of leaking during operation.

Although common, internal water leaks can be detrimental to surrounding building elements. This leak will create excessive moisture which could attract termites. Rust, corrosion, mould, decay and water damage are all potential outcomes of a water leak that is left unattended, which are then likely to develop into more serious defects and may necessitate major repair works. Additionally, internal water leaks may significantly increase the water usage within the property.

It is highly advised that internal water leak be addressed by a licensed plumber as soon as possible. Use of the leaking toilet should be minimised until such time.



Finding 6.04

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Exterior
Finding:	Roof dented
Information:	On inspection it was noticed that parts of the roof is dented down and could hold

water following heavy rain events. This has happened with impact damage or someone not walking/standing on the roof correctly.

Prolonged water retention can accelerate corrosion in metal roofing materials and has the potential for water ingress or moisture into the roof void and ceiling linings.

Persistent moisture increases the risk of timber rot in roof framing members, fungal growth, corrosion of metal components and the attraction of termites.

Rectification by a qualified roofing contractor is recommended as soon as possible to prevent potential structural damage, internal water ingress, and conditions conducive to timber pest activity.



Finding 6.05

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Carport and front patio
Finding:	No gutters or down pipes installed
Information:	No gutters or down pipes installed to the carport and front patio roof. Where plumbing doesn't drain adequately, the area at the apse perimeter can become excessively damp, potentially creating an environment that is susceptible to rust and corrosion of surrounding building elements as well as attracting termites and other pests. Recommend engaging a plumber to install gutters and down pipes to reduce the risk of footing movement and other moisture related issues as soon as possible.



Finding 6.06

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Yards
Finding:	Stored timbers/stumps - external area
Information:	The storing of timbers or tree stumps to the external property increases the risk of termite activity being present. As they are likely to come into contact with weather conditions or excessive moisture wood rot is likely to develop on timbers that are not treated. It is highly recommended that any stored timbers or stumps be immediately removed from areas in which they may attract any termite / timber pest attack. Minimisation of risk / prevention of termite attack is far more adequate than dealing with the presence of termite activity.



Finding 6.07

Building: Main Building
 Location: Yards
 Finding: Site drainage - poor/inadequate
 Information: The site drainage to parts of the yards was found to be inadequate at the time of inspection, creating potential for subsequent water damage to associated building elements. Excessive moisture will attract termites.

It is important that water does not lie against the base of walls; surrounding paths and ground levels should be sloped to drain water away from walls. Downpipes should not discharge stormwater onto lower walls or plinths. Stormwater should be carried away by large, regularly cleaned drains. Ground levels may need to be lowered to expose a

buried DPC.

Where site drainage is inadequate, installation of an Agricultural (Aggie) Drain may be required. A qualified plumber should be appointed to further inspect the property and perform any remedial works as necessary. Water damage and secondary defects are likely to occur if left unmanaged.



Finding 6.08

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Yards
Finding:	Garden Beds Conditions Conducive to Termites
Information:	Garden beds were found to be evident in close proximity to the building. Garden beds immediately adjacent to the perimeter of the building block the visual inspection of these areas, providing a concealed termite entry point.

These garden beds can include untreated timber, and with a combination of moisture from watering hosing can make conditions conducive to termite activity and termite ingress.

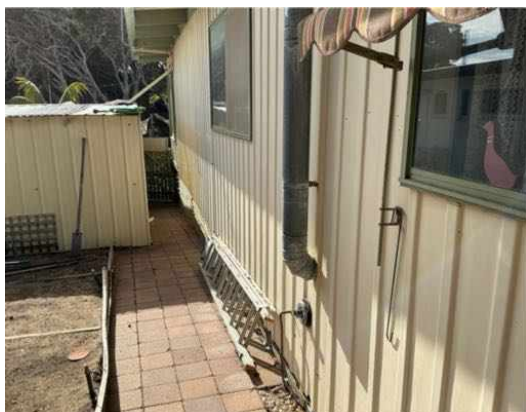


Finding 6.09

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Various parts of the building
Finding:	Bridging attachments to buildings
Information:	Bridging occurs when items against a building provide a concealed entry point for termites into the building or by passing around a termite management system.

Where any part of an attachment to a building is not isolated and is not provided with a clear gap of not less than 25mm from building, bridging occurs. Attachments to buildings such as hot water services, downpipes, verandahs, decks, steps, fences, service conduits and the like provide the opportunity for concealed entry.

Building attachments of this nature need to be frequently inspected for termite activity by a qualified inspector.



Finding 6.10

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Various parts of the building
Finding:	In ground contact
Information:	Any timbers in direct ground contact provide opportunity for concealed termite entry and are likely to be subject to premature rot and decay as the soil retains moisture or damp conditions against the timbers.

Remove untreated timber that is in direct contact with external grounds. Consider replacement with more durable materials i.e. treated timber or non timber elements. Frequent pest inspections are advised to readily identify any termite activity in these areas.





Finding 6.11

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Yard - Back
Finding:	HWS Overflow - Not Connected
Information:	The Hot Water System (HWS) overflow was found to be disconnected from storm water drainage and is creating excessive moisture in the surrounding area.

These damp conditions can lead to secondary defects such as rot, rust or corrosion of associated building elements, the formation of fungal decay, or even the creation of potential slip hazards. When coupled with poor site drainage, pooling of water may also attract termite activity to this area.

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



Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage

Finding 7.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Yards

Finding: Fencing and retaining walls - wood rot-fungal decay

Information: It was noted at the time of inspection that sections of the fencing and retaining walls to the property have deteriorated and have fungal decay/wood rot present. Typically fencing deteriorates due to age and or wear, rot and or rust which is generally expected for a structure of this age, due to prolonged exposure to weather conditions. Sometimes inadequate installation or maintenance can be to blame.

If left unattended, it is likely that further damage will occur. It is suspected that repair of several elements of the fencing may be required however replacement may be a consideration of the client also.

A licensed fencing contractor should be appointed to provide further advice and perform rectification works as necessary.



Finding 7.02

Building: Main Building

Location: Carport

Finding: Wood rot to carport

Information: Parts of the carport framing shows evidence of wood rot. Wood rot, also known as Fungal Decay, occurs when timbers and other cellulose building materials are exposed to damp conditions on an ongoing basis. This could be the result of exposure to weathering over a prolonged period of time, or the attraction of excessive moisture

from other abutting building materials. Contributing factors also include poor air ventilation in the area.

Wood rot is often associated with general damp problems and is evidenced by a 'musty' smell or mould and mildew occurring on surfaces. If left unmanaged, damp conditions can lead to further health problems and the decay of timbers will continue.

Early intervention and regular maintenance, particularly of exterior timbers, will prolong the useful life of these building elements. Prior to any works being performed, the cause of the moisture that has created the visible wood rot should be identified and addressed in a suitable manner. Replacement of affected timbers may then be a necessary step in protecting surrounding building elements from such deterioration.

A qualified plumber may be appointed to assess the cause of excessive moisture and to provide advice on any remedial works as required. A qualified carpenter or registered builder may also be required to replace affected building materials.





Finding 7.03

Building: Main Building

Location: Exterior walls

Finding: Wood rot cladding

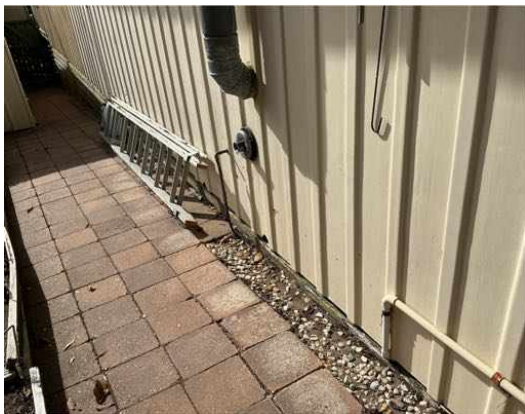
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Finding 7.04

Building: Main Building

Location: Yard - Back

Finding: Wood rot

Information: Parts of the timber structures in the rear yard shows evidence of wood rot. Wood rot, also known as Fungal Decay, occurs when timbers and other cellulose building materials are exposed to damp conditions on an ongoing basis. This could be the result of exposure to weathering over a prolonged period of time, or the attraction of excessive moisture from other abutting building materials. Contributing factors also

include poor air ventilation in the area.

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Early intervention and regular maintenance, particularly of exterior timbers, will prolong the useful life of these building elements. Prior to any works being performed, the cause of the moisture that has created the visible wood rot should be identified and addressed in a suitable manner. Replacement of affected timbers may then be a necessary step in protecting surrounding building elements from such deterioration.

A qualified plumber may be appointed to assess the cause of excessive moisture and to provide advice on any remedial works as required. A qualified carpenter or registered builder may also be required to replace affected building materials.





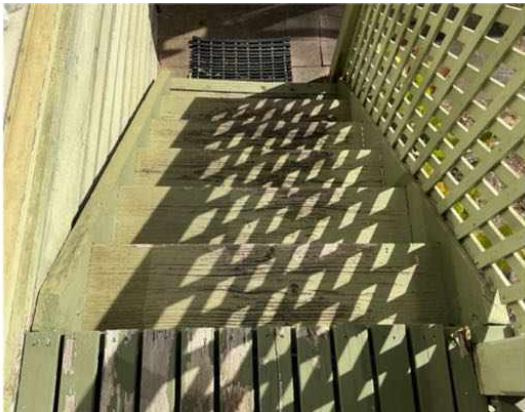
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Building:	Main Building
Location:	Front and rear patio
Finding:	Wood rot to patio framing
Information:	Parts of the front and rear patio framing shows evidence of wood rot. Wood rot, also known as Fungal Decay, occurs when timbers and other cellulose building materials are exposed to damp conditions on an ongoing basis. This could be the result of exposure to weathering over a prolonged period of time, or the attraction of excessive moisture from other abutting building materials. Contributing factors also include poor air ventilation in the area.

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Evidence of wood borer activity and/or damage

No evidence was found

Section D Significant Items

D4 Further Inspections

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

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.

D5 Conclusion - Assessment of overall condition of property

- Compared to other buildings of a similar age, the visual appraisal including limited assessment of serviceability of the timber framed and clad dwelling at the time of inspection was found to be in a fair condition with safety hazards and minor defects found. All significant items have been noted in the body of the report and will require addressing.

Safety hazards

Safety hazard 1

The external door to the right hand side of the building opens directly to ground level however no external landing or steps have been constructed. The door threshold is elevated above the ground surface creating a vertical drop.

This is a potential safety hazard with increased risk of injury particularly to children, elderly documents, or visitors unfamiliar with the property.

A compliant landing and step system should be installed by a licensed builder as soon as possible. The area should be restricted until rectification works are completed.

Safety hazard 2

Damage was noticed to parts of the carport eaves. It is suspected the eaves contain asbestos. Broken or deteriorated, asbestos cement sheeting poses a higher risk than intact material, as disturbance can result in the release of airborne asbestos fibres.

If the material does contain asbestos, broken or disturbed cement sheeting may release asbestos fibres, which pose a serious health risk if inhaled. Long-term exposure to airborne asbestos fibres has been linked to severe illnesses, including asbestosis, lung cancer and mesothelioma.

Do not disturb the damaged cladding. Restrict access to the affected area where possible. Do not attempt repairs or removal without appropriate controls in place. Any works involving the material should comply with WorkSafe Victoria and EPA Victoria requirements. Removal must be carried out by a licensed asbestos removalist in accordance with Victorian regulations.

Reporting on Asbestos is outside the Scope of this Report. This suspected defect is highlighted as a caution only. We suspect, based on our experience in the building industry, that there is a higher risk of the identified building element containing asbestos.

As Asbestos Reporting is outside the scope of this report, we advise that you consider a separate Asbestos Inspection and Condition Audit, which can include the taking of samples for definitive confirmation of the presence of Asbestos.

In the interim, the client is advised to act with caution, especially when considering any damage to building materials, general wear and tear, renovations, extensions, demolition and general maintenance activities due to the suspected presence of Asbestos.

There was evidence of timber pest activity at the time of inspection.
Highly susceptible to timber pests. A termite treatment is required.

The relevant professional services should be engaged immediately to clarify further works that are required. Maintenance work items needing attention may be performed at the clients' discretion. Works should not be neglected as further deterioration may occur.

It is important to note that minor defects, if left unattended, have the potential to develop into major issues/defects over time. These may include areas of deteriorating materials, early signs of moisture, ingress, or insufficient maintenance that, without timely intervention, could result in costly repairs.

Several limitations and obstructions impeded the inspection and, if at all feasible, should be removed, and a further inspection should be performed. Indicative images below depict some of the obstructions encountered.

Kind Regards

For further information, advice and clarification please contact Bradley Trainor on: 0414 346 542

Section D Significant Items

The following items were noted as - For your information

Noted Item

Building: Main Building
Location: Various parts of the building
Finding: Asbestos - Suspected ACM Identified on Site
Information: It is suspected that the eaves and wall cladding to the building contains asbestos. Reporting on Asbestos is outside the Scope of this Report. This suspected defect is highlighted as a caution only. We suspect, based on our experience in the building industry, that there is a higher risk of the identified building element containing asbestos.

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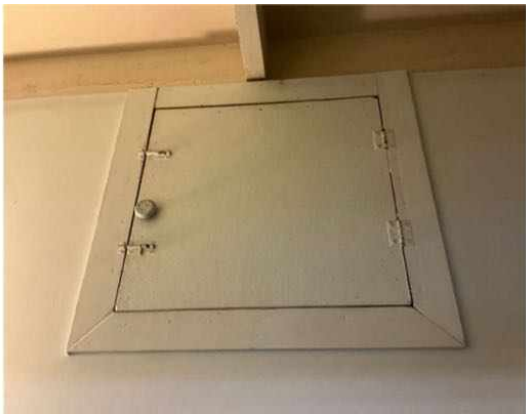


Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Various parts of the building
Finding:	Asbestos - Suspected ACM Identified on Site
Information:	It is suspected that the ceiling linings to the building and cement sheet cladding to parts of the bathroom, laundry, kitchen and ceiling space contain asbestos. Reporting on Asbestos is outside the Scope of this Report. This suspected defect is highlighted as a caution only. We suspect, based on our experience in the building industry, that there is a higher risk of the identified building element containing asbestos.

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Noted Item

Building: Main Building
 Location: All External Areas
 Finding: Additional Photos - Obstructions and Limitations
 Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the property at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.



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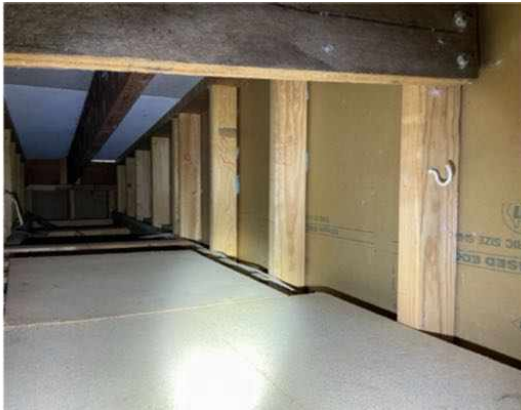
Building: Main Building
 Location: All Internal Areas
 Finding: Additional Photos - Obstructions and Limitations
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Noted Item

Building: Main Building
 Location: Roof Void

Finding: Obstructions and Limitations -roof cavity
 Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the roof cavity at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.



Noted Item

Building: Main Building
 Location: Subfloor
 Finding: Obstructions and Limitations -subfloor
 Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the subfloor at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.



Noted Item

Building: Main Building
Location: Living room/bedroom
Finding: The living room/bedroom wall is not loadbearing
Information: The living room/bedroom wall is not loadbearing and could be removed without effect on the roof structure.



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.
Conditions Conducive to Termite Activity	Noticeable building deficiencies or environmental factors that may contribute to the presence of Termites.
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.
Instrument Testing	Where appropriate the carrying out of Tests using the following techniques and instruments: (a) electronic moisture detecting meter - an instrument used for assessing the moisture content of building elements (b) stethoscope - an instrument used to hear sounds made by termites within building elements (c) probing - a technique where timber and other materials/areas are penetrated with a sharp instrument (e.g. bradawl or pocket knife), but does not include probing of decorative timbers or finishes, or the drilling of timber and trees and (d) sounding - a technique where timber is tapped with a solid object. (e) T3I - an instrument used to detect movement, moisture and changes in temperature within timber
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 ² (Residential) or 10 micrograms/100 cm ² (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.
Subterranean Termite Management Proposal	A written proposal in accordance with Australian Standard AS 3660.2 to treat a known subterranean termite infestation and/or manage the risk of concealed subterranean termite access to buildings and structures.
Termites	Wood destroying insects belonging to the order 'Isoptera' which commonly attack seasoned timber.
Tests	Additional attention to the visual examination was given to those accessible areas which the consultant's experience has shown to be

particularly susceptible to attack by Termites. Instrument Testing of those areas and other visible accessible timbers/materials/areas showing evidence of attack was performed.

Timber Pest Activity	Tell-tale signs associated with 'active' (live) and/or 'inactive' (absence of live) Timber Pests at the time of inspection.
Timber Pest Attack	Timber Pest Activity and/or Timber Pest Damage.
Timber Pest Damage	Noticeable impairments to the integrity of timber and other susceptible materials resulting from an attack by Timber Pests.
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 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.

It is strongly advised that appropriate steps be taken to remove, rectify or monitor any evidence of

conditions conducive to timber pest activity. Undertaking thorough regular inspections at intervals not exceeding twelve months (or more frequent inspections where the risk of timber pest attack is high or the building type is susceptible to attack). To further reduce the risk of subterranean termite attack, implement a management program in accordance with Australian Standard AS3660. This may include the installation of a monitoring and/or baiting system, or chemical and/or physical barrier. However, AS3660 stresses that subterranean termites can bridge or breach barrier systems and inspection zones and those thorough regular inspections of the building are necessary.

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.