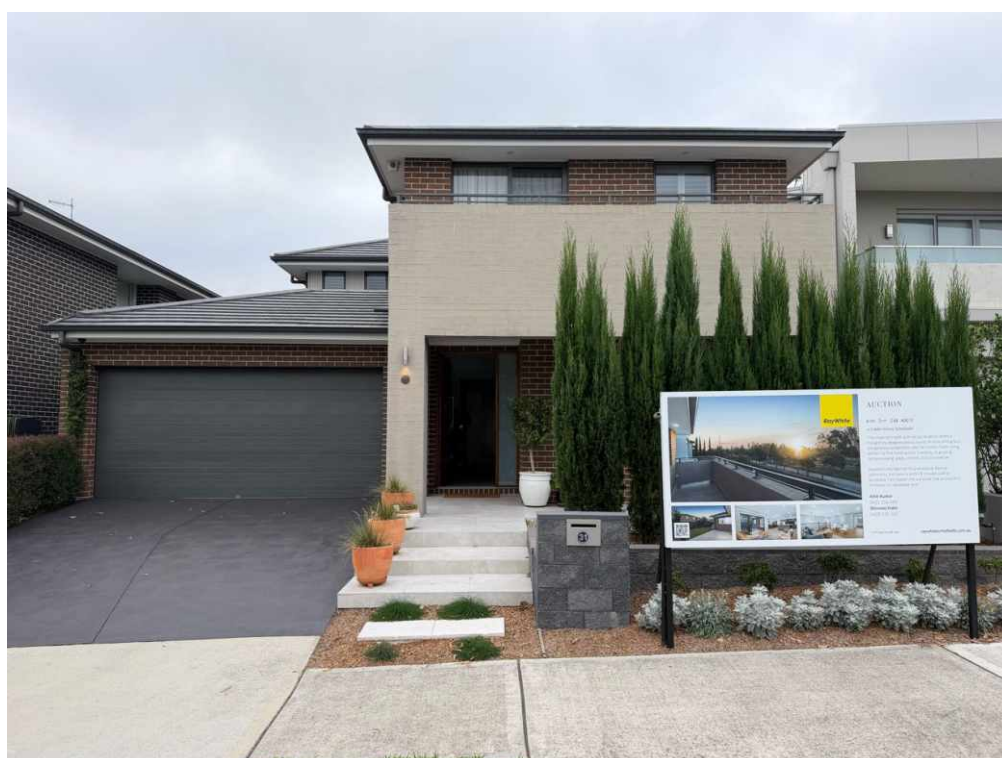




# Building and Timber Pest Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Sun, 22 Feb 2026

Property Address: 31 Calder St, Schofields NSW 2762,  
Australia



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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. 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 contains reference to material that is the copyright of Standards Australia reproduced under agreement with SAI Global to Jim's Building Inspections (Australia).

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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: 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 hole or impact, does so entirely at their own risk.

The client should further investigate any high risk area where access was not gained. It is strongly advised that appropriate steps be taken to remove, rectify or monitor any evidence of conditions conducive to timber pest attack.

To help minimise the risk of any future loss, the client should consider the following options to further protect their investment against timber pest infestation;

Undertake thorough regular inspections at intervals not exceeding 12 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/all physical management system. However, AS3660 stresses that subterranean termites, can bridge or breach management systems and inspection zones and that thorough regular inspections of the building are necessary.

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

It is recommended that a second 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.

Building standards changed significantly in the 1970s when the Building Act was passed and again in 1990 when the Building Code of Australia was introduced. Materials and construction techniques are changing constantly and Building Legislation must change to address the latest developments.

Unless a dwelling has been constructed recently, it may not comply with current standards. That does not necessarily mean that the established dwellings are poorly constructed. Generally this assessment is based on the building standards that were current when the dwelling was constructed, which may be different from the current requirements of the Building Act.

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>	✓	
<b>Live Timber Pest Activity</b>		✓
<b>Timber Pest Damage</b>		✓
<b>Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity</b>	✓	
<b>Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage</b>		✓
<b>Evidence of wood borer activity and/or damage</b>		✓
<b>Evidence of a previous termite management program</b>		✓

### Overall Condition (Building)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is in Very good condition with one minor safety hazard and some minor defects found

### Overall Condition (Timber Pest)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is moderately susceptible to timber pests. A termite treatment is recommended.

## Section B General

### General description of the property

Building Type	Residential, Detached
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Slab - Monolithic or Slab on Ground
Furnished	Furnished
No. of bedrooms	6
Occupied	Occupied
Orientation	West
Other Building Elements	Driveway, Footpath, Fence - Fabricated Metal Fence, Water Tanks
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Door Frames, Architraves, Internal Joinery, Landscaping Timbers and Construction, Skirting Boards, Doors, Floating Floor, Staircase, Stair Railing
Roof	Tiled, Timber Framed, Pitched
Storeys	Double
Walls	Brick Veneer (Steel Framed)
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.

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:

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:

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:	Bathroom
Finding:	Shower Screen Door Impacting Towel Rail (Safety Hazard)
Information:	The shower screen door was observed to open directly into the metal towel rail located behind the door. No doorstop or limiting device has been installed to prevent the door from contacting the towel rail.

As a result, the door makes impact with the metal fixture during operation. This presents a safety hazard, as repeated impact may cause damage to the shower screen door, including the potential for glass breakage, hardware failure, or loosening of fixings. There is also an increased risk of personal injury should the glass be damaged or shatter.

I recommend to install a suitable doorstop, door limiter, or reposition the towel rail to prevent contact between the shower screen door and the metal towel rail. Any damaged components should be repaired or replaced as required. This should be carried out by a suitably qualified tradesperson.



### Major Defect

No evidence was found

### Minor Defect

#### Finding 3.01

Building:	Main Building
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Location: All Internal Areas

Finding: Cracking - Damage Category 1 - Fine (up to 1mm)

Information: Although fine 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 a fine crack is indicative of a separation between building materials and finishes (e.g. paint, plaster, etc.) along joins.

Cracking of this nature can generally be repaired with minor sanding, filling and/or repainting. Such works should be performed by a qualified painter or a general handyman.

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







### Finding 3.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Ensuite Ground Floor
Finding:	Cracking - Damage Category 1 - Fine (up to 1mm)
Information:	Although fine 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 a fine crack is indicative of a separation between building materials and finishes (e.g. paint, plaster, etc.) along joins.

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### Finding 3.03

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Rear Patio  
 Finding: Tiles - Drummy  
 Information: Drummy tiled areas were identified in this area at the time of inspection. The term 'drummy' refers to tiles that have become detached from their fixing, despite otherwise being in relatively good condition. Such defects are generally caused by physical or moisture damage to the area. Drummy tiled areas may also be a direct result of poor workmanship during the construction process.

Tiled areas may swell and shrink with changes in air humidity if the area has sustained moisture damage. Any exposure to moisture is capable of causing tiled areas to become drummy and/or cracked over a prolonged period of time. Drummy tiled areas generally require removal and replacement of affected tiles, with adequate sealant and grouting.

It is advised that a tiling contractor be appointed to perform remedial works as necessary as soon as possible to ensure that no further damage is sustained in the affected area.



### Finding 3.04

Building: Main Building

Location: Bedroom  
 Finding: Door - Striker plate misaligned  
 Information: The striker plate to this door appears to have become misaligned and has consequently resulted in the door's operation being compromised.

This is a common defect and whether being due to substandard installation or general deterioration of the door hardware.

Readjustment of the striker plate is recommended at client discretion. Works such as these can be completed by a general handyman or qualified carpenter.



### Finding 3.05

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Bathroom  
 Finding: Windows - Difficult to operate  
 Information: The windows in all areas were jammed and/or difficult to operate at the time of the inspection. Windows provide ventilation to the adjoining area and should be at a fully operational level to ensure user comfort. Restricted function of the window may also pose as a potential safety hazard if required for emergency egress from the building.

Generally, factors such as general age of the building element and a lack of maintenance are the usual causes for this type of defect.

Replacement of window hardware or frame may be required, as well as minor repairs and cleaning. A registered builder or general handy person will be required to repair the window at the owners discretion.



### Finding 3.06

Building: Main Building

Location: Balcony

Finding: Balcony-Drainage Causing Lintel Corrosion

Information: The upstairs balcony was observed to fall toward one side where stormwater is not adequately collected or discharged to a suitable drainage point. Instead, water is allowed to overflow the balcony edge, running down the external wall below.

This uncontrolled water discharge was noted to come into direct contact with the steel lintel beneath the balcony. Visible signs of corrosion and rusting are present to the lintel, indicating ongoing moisture exposure.

Prolonged water contact with structural steel components may lead to progressive deterioration, potential loss of protective coatings, and long-term structural implications if not addressed.

A suitable drainage solution should be installed to properly capture and discharge balcony stormwater (e.g. installation of an outlet, gutter, or rainwater head connected to the stormwater system). The affected steel lintel should be assessed, treated for corrosion, and repaired or recoated as necessary. Works should be carried out by suitably qualified tradespersons as a priority.



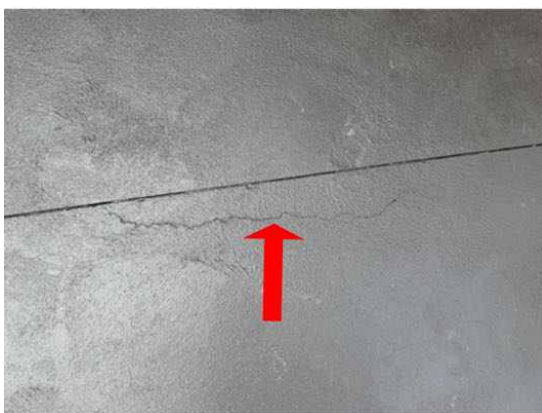
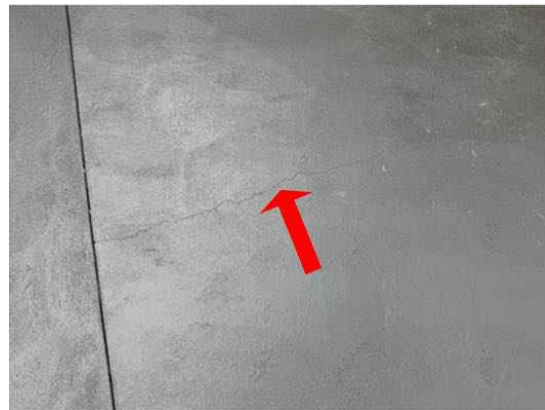
### Finding 3.07

Building: Main Building  
Location: Driveway  
Finding: Cracking - External Concrete Paving Damage Category 0 - Hairline (less than 1mm)  
Information: Hairline cracks were identified in external concrete paving. Hairline cracks are very minor in nature and generally are only ever an appearance defect. To be classified as a Category 0 or hairline crack, the crack width would be less than 0.3mm. While such cracking may be noticeable in some cases, it is common and does not indicate any structural damage.

Generally the cause of a hairline crack 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.

Hairline 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.



## Live Timber Pest Activity

No evidence was found

## Timber Pest Damage

No evidence was found

## Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity

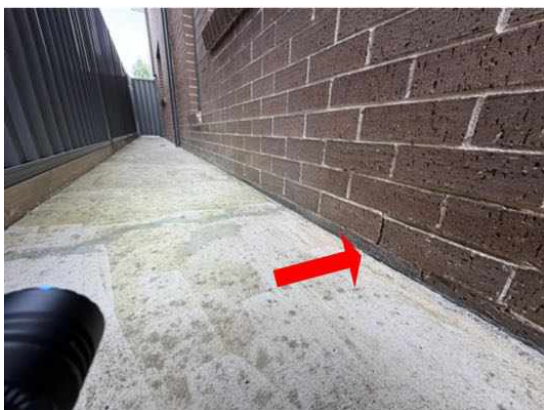
### Finding 6.01

Building: Main Building  
Location: All Areas- slab edge  
Finding: Slab Edge - Exposure  
Information: An inspection zone of at least 75mm in relation to the exposed slab edge, between the bottom brick and the perimeter pavement, is required. This inspection zone should be maintained in order to force termites into the open where they can be detected more readily during regular inspections. The slab edge should not be concealed by anything that may prevent inspection of the area, including render, landscaping, soil, turf, paving, concrete cladding or other structures.

If the slab edge is not properly exposed there is a high risk of termite attack. Sometimes, in order to determine the type of slab, a suitably qualified person such as an architect or builder may be required to consult the construction plans.

Where the slab edge cannot be properly inspected, it is highly recommended that termite or timber pest inspections be carried out every 6-12 months to aid protection of the property against infestation.



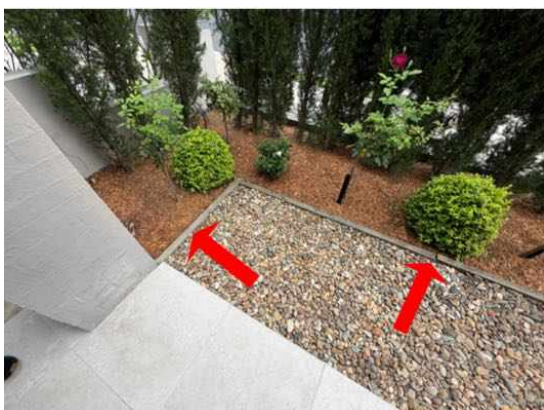


### Finding 6.02

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

Treated Timbers can decay or be poorly treated at manufacturing and as they degrade overtime can allow for termite attack.



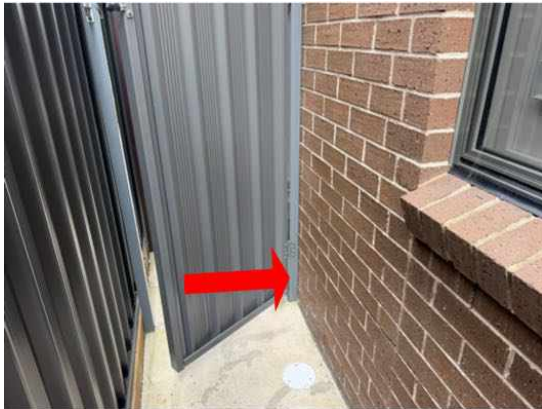
### Finding 6.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Bridging of termite barriers - Fences abutting building
Information:	Bridging is the spanning of a termite barrier or inspection zone so that subterranean termites are provided with passage over or around that barrier.

At the time of inspection it was noted that fences abutting the building on both left and right hand sides created a point for concealed access of termites into the building.

Where any part of an attachment to a building is not isolated and is not provided with a clear gap of at least 25mm from the building, bridging occurs.

The client should consider obtaining further advice from a timber pest technician regarding treatments required in this area. It is recommended that obtaining such advice be a short-term priority.



### **Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage**

No evidence was found

### **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

- As identified in summary and defect statements
- Licensed Electrician
- Licensed Plumber
- Pest Controller

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

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The house is in very good condition when compared to houses of a similar age.

In general all wall and ceiling linings were in good condition with expected wear and tear. The bathrooms and kitchen are in good condition overall.

All external brickwork is in good condition with no discernible cracking.

The roof exterior has expected weathering.

Water pressure appears to be normal, however, this is not an opinion of a licensed plumber. No water hammer was noted when taps were turned on and off fast.

The HWS appeared to be in good condition at the time of inspection.

Further inspection of electrical appliances, plumbing and the air conditioner is advised as reporting on these items is outside the scope of this report.

There was one safety issue and some minor defects noted at the time of inspection.

SAFETY HAZARDS: Shower screen impacting towel rail

MAJOR DEFECTS: Nil

The report must be read as a whole to fully appreciate the scope of works required to rectify and ensure the long term structural stability and longevity of the building.

Access into the roof space was limited due to excessive timbers, stored items, insulation, ducting and low roof pitch in areas. The installation of an additional manhole in a more centralised location is

recommended. This will allow for a more thorough inspection of this area in the future.

Many minor defects can be rectified and then maintained in the future.

General ongoing maintenance is key in reducing further minor issues which if left to deteriorate further can potentially lead to major ongoing issues.

The purchaser may wish to engage further plumbing, drainage and electrical inspections to ensure these services are fully functional as these areas are outside the scope of this report.

There was no evidence of previous termite activity in the house. There is however a number of conducive issues and concerns that will require rectification to ensure no termite activity or hidden entry can go unnoticed.

A thermal imaging inspection was carried out throughout the interior of the house using a Flir MR 277 thermal camera. No thermal anomalies were noted that would be consistent with any current termite activity.

\*Any in ground contact should be removed.

\*Water tank and Air Con outdoor unit should be moved away from the wall to allow visual inspection of the area for termite activity.

\*Be aware that stored items and insulation can limit the inspectable areas and may hide defects.

\*Further invasive inspections are always recommended.

I highly recommend an approved barrier treatment be installed. It is strongly recommended that a full inspection to AS 4349.3 or AS 3660.2 be carried out at least once every 12 months. Regular inspections DO NOT stop timber pest attack, but are designed to limit the amount of damage that may occur by detecting problems early.

Please be aware that the absence of visual termite activity does not exclude termites from being hidden on the property. Regular inspections and rectification of all conducive conditions is recommended.

A Pre Purchase inspection report by its very nature may be negative, as its role is to identify the defects in the property. The reader should consider the positive aspects of the property in their final decision making. Not all the positive aspects will be highlighted in this report.

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 a

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.

Most properties will have minor defects such as blemishes, corrosion, cracking, weathering, general deterioration and unevenness and physical damage to materials and finishes. If you want the consultant to report on minor defects and imperfections you will need to ask for a 'Special-Purpose Building Report'.

Nearly all properties have minor faults or defects. Faults or defects do not necessarily mean the property should not be purchased. Often many such faults or defects are obvious to you or may be reflected in the selling price.

For further information, advice and clarification please contact Tom Simovic on: 0404 857 099

## Section D Significant Items

### The following items were noted as - For your information

#### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Electrical meter box
Finding:	For Your Information – Steel Frame Construction & Termite Management
Information:	The dwelling is constructed using a steel structural framing system. As steel is not susceptible to termite attack, a conventional termite treatment system designed to protect primary structural timber elements is generally not required.

In accordance with the National Construction Code (NCC) and relevant referenced standards (including AS 3660 – Termite Management), termite management systems are primarily intended to protect structural timber components and concealed areas where termite activity may occur undetected. Where the primary structural frame is steel, the risk of structural damage from termites is significantly reduced.

However, it should be noted that termite management may still be required or recommended for other building elements that contain timber or cellulose-based materials, such as:

- Internal fit-out components (e.g. skirtings, architraves, cabinetry)
- Timber flooring or joinery
- Roof battens (where timber is used)
- Landscaping elements, decking or attached structures
- Concealed timber components within wall linings

Accordingly, while a full structural termite barrier system may not be necessary due to the steel frame construction, ongoing termite inspections remain essential. Regular inspections in accordance with AS 3660.2 are recommended to identify termite activity affecting non-structural materials and to reduce the risk of concealed damage.



## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Subterranean Termite Prevention Proposal  
 Information: A proposal in accordance with Australian Standard AS 3660.2 to aid the management of the risk of future subterranean termite access to buildings and structures.

Such a proposal is recommended to all properties that have a condition/s that may be conducive to termite or timber pest activity. The prevention of such infestations is far easy to manage than the management of live termite activity on the property.

Preventative measures may include the post-construction installation of a chemical termite barrier or the prevention of excess moisture in high risk areas

## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Internal Areas  
 Finding: For your information-Thermal camera  
 Information: AS 3660.2:2017 is the recommendation for the carrying out of 'Additional Tests' using specialist non-destructive tools:

A thermal imaging inspection was carried out throughout the interior of the house using a Flir MR277 thermal camera. No thermal anomalies were noted that would be consistent with any current termite activity, however various factors must be taken into effect which may hamper or impede the reading obtainable by the imager. These factors include obstructions, ambient temperature, wall material and thickness etc. If any surface is restricted visually or otherwise, a proper thermal reading is not possible and is not within the scope of this inspection. Any findings or otherwise is reported on at the time of the inspection only.



Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Void
Finding:	Obstructions and Limitations-Roof Void
Information:	These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations that impeded the full inspection of the roof cavity at the time of inspection. Note that the insulation covered nearly all the ceiling joists, which are a major structural element of the ceiling; the inspection was also limited to areas with an allowable crawl space of 600mm x 600mm, in particular towards the external walls where the roof line diminishes, it was not accessible. These obstructions and limitations can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow a full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once areas are made accessible.



### Noted Item

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



### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: External Areas/Sub-Floor  
 Finding: Obstructions and Limitations-External Areas/Sub-Floor  
 Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the external areas 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:	Box Gutter
Finding:	FYI Box Gutter-Above Garage
Information:	The box gutter located above the garage roof appeared to be in generally good condition at the time of inspection, with no obvious signs of active leakage noted.

Box gutters are known to be susceptible to blockage from debris accumulation and may be prone to overflow or leaking if not regularly maintained. Poor maintenance can result in water ponding and potential moisture ingress into surrounding building elements.

It is recommended that the gutter be kept clean and free of leaves, dirt, and other debris, and that the area be periodically monitored for any signs of blockage, deterioration, or leakage.



### Noted Item

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.





Noted Item

Building: Main Building

Location: Path RHS

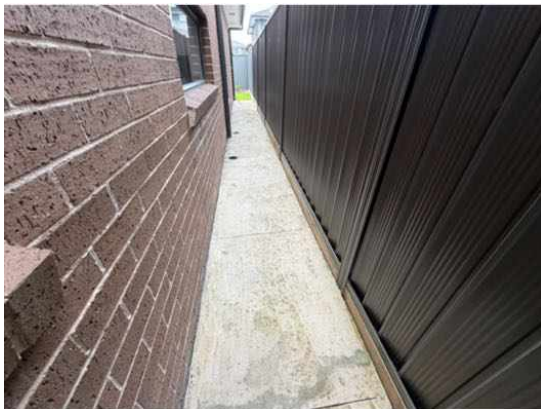
Finding: FYI-Site Drainage

Information: The concrete path located along the right-hand side of the dwelling was observed to fall toward the building rather than away from it. This grading may contribute to water ponding and the potential for moisture accumulation adjacent to the external wall.

Poor surface drainage in this area may increase the risk of moisture ingress, contribute to damp conditions at the base of the structure, and create an environment conducive to termite activity over time. Ongoing ponding may also impact footings, finishes, and surrounding building elements if not addressed.

It should be noted that plumbing and drainage system inspections are outside the scope of this building inspection. Accordingly, the performance, condition, and capacity of any connected stormwater or drainage infrastructure have not been assessed.

This item is provided for information only. Consideration should be given to regrading the path surface and/or improving drainage to direct water away from the dwelling. Further assessment by a suitably qualified drainage or plumbing contractor is recommended if required.



**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Showers  
Finding: Shower seals recommended  
Information: The waterproofing to the shower recesses were assessed by checking the walls in and around the shower recess for varying moisture content. Although a higher than normal reading was observed, there were no significant variations across the tested areas.

No sign of recent water damage was evident upon a visual inspection of the surrounding walls, where the visual nature of the inspection was possible. Consequently, there is no conclusive evidence of any current shower recess leakage and it is reasonable to assume the shower waterproofing is sound.

Note that if the shower is not used, or has not been used for some time, moisture readings would not vary significantly and this can lead to erroneous results. It is not possible under the visual inspection criteria (under which a prepurchase inspection is carried out) to categorically determine if there are leaks. If a more accurate assessment is required, a special purpose inspection should be requested.

The purchaser may wish to re-seal the shower with a new professional epoxy seal to ensure a watertight seal into the future. Warranties of up to (10) years are on offer.

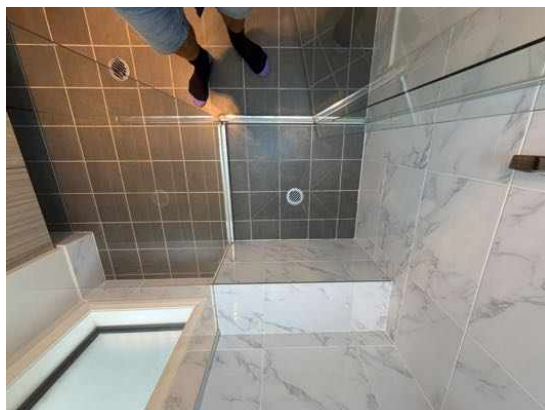
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Further plumbing inspections are always recommended.







### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	FYI-Moisture Readings
Information:	Moisture readings taken during the inspection were recorded using a FLIR MR277 moisture meter, which provides numerical values rather than direct percentage readings. These values are not expressed as a percentage of moisture content but rather as relative indicators of moisture presence within building materials. Each material-such as plasterboard, timber, tile or concrete wall surfaces -has its own baseline range of ambient moisture, and the meter's readings reflect deviations from that baseline.

For example, plasterboard in dry, internal areas may typically register between 10-30 points, while ceramic tiles in bathrooms may show 30-50 points due to their density and surface retention. These numbers are used comparatively in critical areas (e.g, near windows, wall bases, or wet zones) and are assessed against these baselines to identify elevated moisture ingress.

The FLIR MR277 uses both pin and pinless sensors, along with thermal imaging, to detect hidden moisture anomalies. Its readings are designed to highlight relative changes rather than provide absolute moisture percentages. This approach is particularly effective in building diagnostics, as it allows for non-invasive detection of moisture trends across different substrates.

In short, while percentages are familiar, the meters numeric scale offers a more nuanced and material - sensitive method of identifying moisture issues. Elevated readings – especially those exceeding baseline values by around 20 points or more – are flagged for further investigation, even if no visible damage is present.





### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Cabinetry Plumbing  
 Finding: FYI-Cabinetry Plumbing  
 Information: All cupboards where sinks and basins with drainage plumbing were inspected no evidence of leaks were present at the time of inspection.

If damp or wet conditions do occur there are many consequences including the development of fungal decay and/or wood rot, swelling or damage to building materials.

For your information only no remedial works are required at the time of inspection.

NOTE: Please be aware that although cupboards have had a thorough inspection, obstructions in cupboards may conceal potential water damage, prevent a full inspection and conditions can change after the initial inspection was carried out, therefore damage may be found after obstructions are removed.





### Noted Item

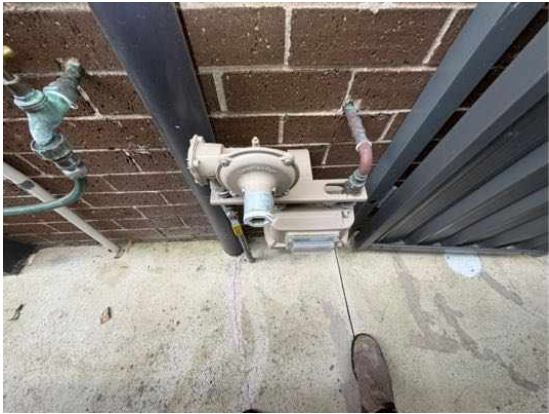
Building: Main Building  
 Location: Plumbing/electrical/gas/aircon/pool equipment etc  
 Finding: FYI-Plumbing and Electrical  
 Information: Plumbing and Electrical inspections are outside the scope of the building inspection and must be conducted by a licensed and registered trades person.

It is highly recommended that the client makes immediate arrangements to have the gas appliances checked by a licensed gas plumber to ensure that the appliances are working safely and efficiently.

We recommend all other installations be checked also.

Whilst we note and comment of visually apparent defects that present during the building inspection, legislation requires the checking and documenting of compliance for plumbing and electrical requirements be done by licensed electricians and plumbers respectively to ensure they are functioning correctly.





**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: All Internal tiling  
Finding: FYI-Internal Tiling  
Information: All internal floor tiling was in good condition with no obvious cracking or drummy tiling identified.





## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Smoke Detectors  
 Finding: FYI-Smoke Detectors and Alarms  
 Information: Reporting on Smoke Detectors or Alarms, including hard wired smoke detection systems and their legislative requirements, is outside the Scope of this Report.

Please note that this defect is highlighted as a caution only. We suspect, based on our experience in the building industry, that the absence of smoke detectors, or their poor condition, should be addressed as a matter of urgency to improve occupant safety.

Further Inspection and/or advisory services is necessary to provide advice on the sufficiency, type and location of smoke detectors, and to test the functionality of all devices. Greater requirements for fire safety and detection exist for commercial buildings.

Always ensure sufficient working and suitable smoke detectors are installed prior to occupying any building. Additionally, it is advised that all smoke detectors be tested by the homeowner on a monthly basis.

Please refer to AS3786 and state based legislation, which may also apply.



## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
Location: All Areas  
Finding: FYI-Additional Photos  
Information: Additional photos are provided for your general reference and may include obstructions, testing of water and windows, moisture readings or minor maintenance items.











## 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 <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.
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.