



# Building and Timber Pest Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Thu, 6 Nov 2025

Property Address: Wondara, 233 Logans Rd, Carabost NSW  
2650, 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).

Original Inspection Date: Thu, 6 Nov 2025

Modified Date: Tue, 7 Apr 2026

## The Parties

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## Special conditions or instructions

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

The following apply: Please note this report is based on a visual inspection, conducted on 6/11/2025. Conditions are likely to have changed overtime. A re-inspection is recommended, prior to clients completion of due diligence.

## 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 poor condition with safety hazards identified. Major and minor defects were also found.

### 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
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Stumps, Suspended Timber Frame
Furnished	Unfurnished
No. of bedrooms	2
Occupied	Unoccupied
Orientation	West
Other Building Elements	Shed
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Architectural Trims, Architraves, Door Frames, Doors, Fascias, Floorboards, Internal Joinery, Landscaping Timbers and Construction, Skirting Boards, Deck, Stumps, Veranda Posts, Weatherboards, Window Frames
Roof	Pitched, Timber Framed, Corrugated Iron (e.g. Colourbond)
Storeys	Single
Walls	Timber Framed and Clad, Weatherboards, Light Weight Wall Clad
Weather	Fine

## Section C Accessibility

### Areas Inspected

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

- Exterior
- Gardens
- Interior
- Landscaping Timbers
- Outbuildings
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Roof Void - Part
- Posts
- Wall Exterior

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:

- Ceiling Cavity - Part.
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Site - Part.
- Wall exterior due to obstructions.
- Subfloor due to lack of access.

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:

- Ceiling linings
- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection
- Appliances and equipment
- External concrete or paving
- External finished ground level
- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Floor coverings
- Decking
- Debris or rubbish
- Debris in gutters
- Evidence of recently painted walls or ceilings
- Insulation
- Lack of natural or acceptable lighting
- Lack of suitable access or entry point
- Landscaping
- No power or light globes on site
- Overhanging vegetation
- Pipework
- Roof framing - not trafficable
- Stored items
- Subfloor was not able to be inspected - there was no access to this area.
- Vegetation
- Suspected Asbestos Debris
- Wall linings
- Wallpaper or Wall Coverings

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:	Internal Walls, Shed Cladding
Finding:	Asbestos - Damaged Suspected ACM
Information:	This suspected defect is highlighted as a caution only as reporting on asbestos is outside the scope of this report. Several areas of damaged suspected ACM were identified throughout the building and shed.

It is advised that the client consider a separate Asbestos Inspection and Condition Audit, which can include the taking of samples for definitive confirmation of the presence of Asbestos, carried out by a licensed Asbestos Inspector.

In the interim, no works should be conducted to these areas without further specialist advice, and the area should be avoided to avoid potential safety hazards.



#### Finding 1.02

Building:	Main Building
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Location:	Front Bedroom
Finding:	Electrical wires exposed
Information:	Exposed electrical wiring was identified at but not limited to the front bedroom door frame. Exposed electrical wiring represents a potential safety hazard including fire and personal contact risks.

The client should contact a licensed electrician promptly for further inspection of electrical wiring and to provide remedial works where necessary. In the interim, the client should avoid the area to avoid safety hazards.

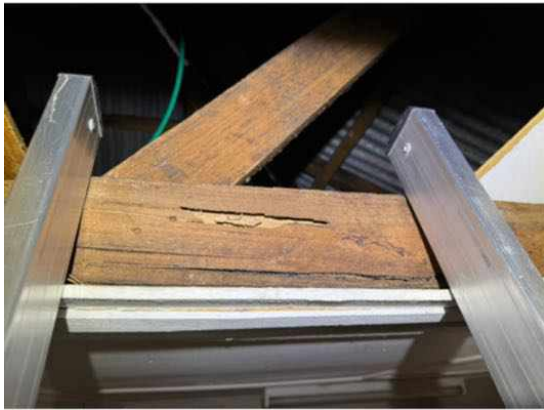


## Major Defect

### Finding 2.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof framing & beams, Shed framing and beams, verandah posts
Finding:	Structural Members - Termite Damage & Fungal Decay
Information:	It appears several structural members have been affected by termite damage and fungal decay, including but not limited to areas of the roof framing, verandah posts, a subfloor bearer and the shed framing.

This inhibits the structural integrity of the building. Recommend consulting with a registered builder and structural engineer promptly to provide further advice & remedial works to avoid further deterioration of the building. It is also advised that the client engage a licensed tradesperson to conduct a more invasive inspection to identify the extent of the termite damage and rectify accordingly. A more invasive inspection may reveal secondary building defects.



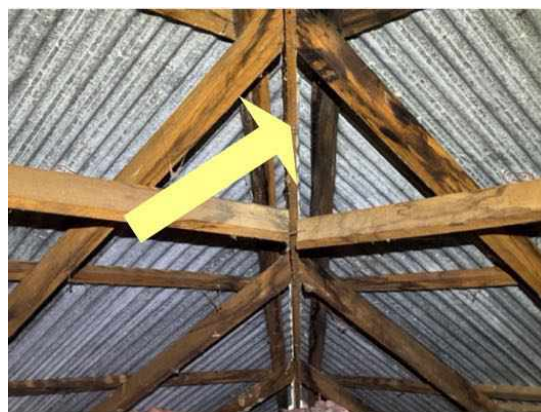


**Finding 2.02**

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Eaves, Internal Timber Ceilings, Roof Framing  
 Finding: Ceiling & Roof Leaks Present  
 Information: High moisture and areas of leaking were identified to several areas of the timber ceiling, roof framing and eaves. Potential causes of leaking include damaged plumbing fittings and fixtures, or deterioration of the roof plumbing.

This creates an environment conducive to termite activity & water damage to surrounding building materials. Recommend engaging a licensed roof plumber or roofing contractor promptly to provide remedial works.





## Minor Defect

### Finding 3.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Flooring - Uneven
Information:	Some areas, of the flooring throughout the building appear to be uneven.

It is advised that the client monitor the flooring to identify any further movement. Where flooring remains relatively unchanged for an extended period of time, it is likely that this defect has been caused by expected movement of the foundations of the property.

However, where further movement and unevenness occurs, a structural engineer should be engaged promptly for further evaluation.



### Finding 3.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Exterior
Finding:	Roof Exterior - Weathered, Rust & Loose
Information:	The roof exterior was found to be in a weathered condition at the time of inspection evidenced by loose screws and roof sheeting, and areas of rust.

While weathering of the roof exterior is consistent with the age of the property, maintenance works are required.

Where left unmanaged, deteriorating and damaged roof sheeting and plumbing is likely to lead to secondary defects, including water leaks.

It is advised that the client consult with a licensed roofing contractor at their earliest convenience, to provide further advice on remedial works that are required and to ensure all roof sheeting is secure.





### Finding 3.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Guttering >
Finding:	Gutters - Debris, Water Pooling, Rust, Not Connected
Information:	Areas of water pooling, debris and rust were identified throughout the guttering. The gutter to the front elevation was also found to be disconnected from drainage, creating an environment conducive to termites. Water pooling & rust of the gutters is likely to lead to deterioration and overflows of the roof plumbing if neglected.

Recommend engaging a licensed roof plumber in the short term, to provide further advice to ensure adequate roof drainage is achieved. All debris should be removed from the gutters promptly to avoid overflows.



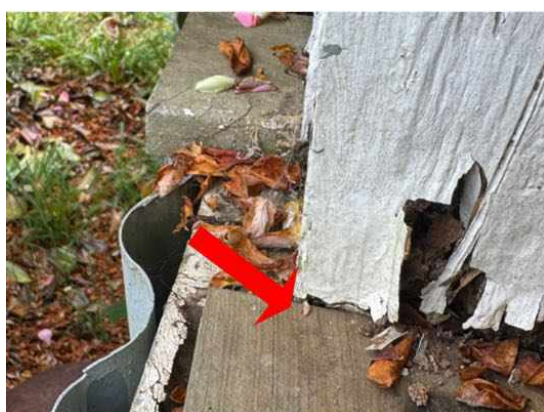
## Live Timber Pest Activity

### Finding 4.01

Building: Main Building  
Location: Verandah post  
Finding: Evidence of live termite activity was identified  
Information: Live termite activity was identified at, but not limited to the front verandah posts.

The client should engage a licensed pest controller immediately, for further advice regarding application of a termite treatment and eradication of the colony, to prevent

any further damage that will ensue.



## Timber Pest Damage

### Finding 5.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Verandah Posts, skirting boards, Shed framing & Beams, Roof Framing, Front Bedroom Ceiling, Floorboards
Finding:	Evidence of termite workings & damage
Information:	Termite damage & workings were identified in several areas including, but not limited to, a tree stump, the verandah posts, a subfloor bearer, shed framing, roof framing, skirting boards, and front bedroom ceiling.

The client should engage a licensed pest controller promptly, to provide further advice regarding installation of a termite treatment.

6 monthly ongoing termite inspections, conducted by a qualified termite inspector, are also recommended





## Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity

### Finding 6.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	No Treatment
Finding:	Termite Management System - no evidence of a chemical installation
Information:	The application of a termite barrier is recommended, as it appears no termite management system has been installed, with no evidence or durable notice to suggest works taking place.

Such barriers are highly effective in preventing termite attack on the building and therefore should be installed.

Recommend seeking further advice from a licensed pest controller promptly.



### Finding 6.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Timber in direct ground contact & trees - conducive to termites
Information:	Where timber materials are in direct contact with the ground and consequently moisture, they become conducive to termite activity. The landscaping timbers, trees & stumps surrounding the building create an environment conducive to termite infestation.

Where feasible, any timbers in direct contact with the ground, or trees in close proximity to the building should be removed, to reduce the risk of termite infestation.



### Finding 6.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All external areas, Gutters, HWS
Finding:	Potential Water pooling - against property
Information:	It appears that there are potential areas around the perimeter of the property that could be susceptible to water pooling.

Where insufficient drainage of taps, roof plumbing, hot water system & aircon overflows, and garden beds against the house are present, water pooling is likely to occur, and can create areas conducive to timber pests and potential damage to the subfloor structure overtime, if neglected.

Recommend consulting with a licensed plumber in the short term to further assess and provide remedial advice.



**Finding 6.04**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Kitchen Tap  
Finding: Tap - Leaking  
Information: It appears that the kitchen tap was leaking at the time of inspection. This is a relatively common defect that is consistent with general ageing of the building element.

Areas of leaking create an environment conducive to termite activity & water damage to surrounding materials. Recommend engaging a licensed plumber in the short term, to provide minor remedial works.



## Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage

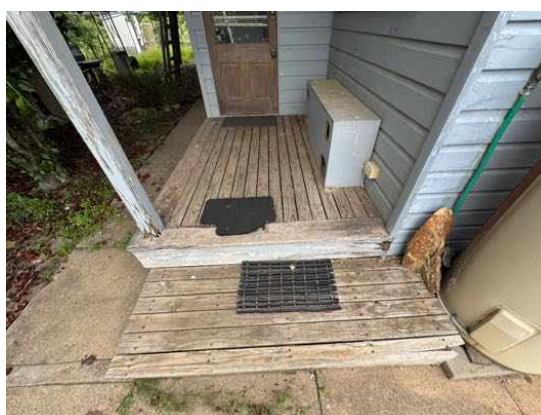
### Finding 7.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Decking, weatherboards, window frames, fascia's, bathroom skirting, external timbers, posts, roof framing, timber ceiling
Finding:	Fungal decay & weathering
Information:	Areas of fungal decay (wood rot) & weathering were identified at but not limited the decking, verandah posts, window frames, fascia's, roof framing, and external timbers.

For areas where structural timbers are affected by wood rot (verandah posts) a registered builder should be engaged promptly to replace affected materials where necessary.

For areas where fungal decay is superficial, the client can engage a licensed carpenter at their discretion to replace affected materials.

For areas of general weathering, it is advised the client engage a licensed painter to apply protective sealant or coating to areas of weathered external timbers.





## **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

- Licensed Plumber specialising in Roof Plumbing
- Licensed Plumber
- As identified in summary and defect statements
- Registered/Licensed Builder
- Structural Engineer
- Termite and Timber Pest Technician / Licensed 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

- Compared to other buildings of a similar age, the visual inspection of the timber framed, weatherboard dwelling at the time of inspection was in a poor condition. All findings have been noted in the body of the report and will require addressing.

Installation of a termite barrier is required as soon as possible as live termite activity was identified at, but not limited to the front verandah posts. Several areas of termite damage were also identified to the roof framing, shed framing, floorboards, bedroom skirting and ceiling, a subfloor bearer and verandah posts. 6 monthly termite inspections, conducted by a qualified termite inspector are also advised. Recommend engaging a licensed pest controller, to provide further advice & conduct a more invasive inspection to identify the extent of the damage. A more invasive inspection may reveal secondary building defects.

Several structural members including but not limited to the roof framing, shed framing, a subfloor bearer and verandah posts were found to have been affected by termite damage and fungal decay, therefore inhibiting the structural integrity of the building. It also appears that a timber roof strut was not being sufficiently supported and requires additional support. Recommend engaging a registered builder in conjunction with a structural engineer promptly to provide further advice & remedial works to avoid further deterioration of the building and ensure the building is structurally sound.

Several areas of leaking were identified at but not limited to the timber ceilings and eave sheeting. Recommend consulting with a licensed roof plumber and/or roofing contractor promptly, to provide further advice and remedial works. A more invasive inspection may reveal secondary building defects.

Areas of broken suspected asbestos materials were identified at but not limited to some internal walls and the shed cladding, creating a safety hazard in the area. Several other areas and materials including but not limited to the eaves, internal walls linings and external cladding are suspected to also contain asbestos. It is advised that the client consider a separate Asbestos Inspection and Condition Audit, which can include the taking of samples for definitive confirmation of the presence of Asbestos, carried out by a licensed Asbestos Inspector.

The roof exterior was found to be in a weathered condition evidenced by loose roof sheeting, and screws and areas of rust. Recommend engaging a licensed roofing contractor at clients earliest convenience, to provide further advice and remedial works where necessary to ensure the roof is sufficiently sealed and watertight.

Exposed electrical wiring identified at but not limited to front bedroom. Recommend licensed electrician to provide further advice & remedial works to ensure all wiring is safe and compliant, to avoid safety hazards.

All areas of cracking as well as areas of uneven flooring should be closely monitored. Should cracking widen, lengthen or become more numerous, or the flooring become further uneven, a structural engineer should be engaged promptly for further evaluation.

Maintenance work items needing attention may be performed at the client's discretion. Works should not be neglected as further deterioration may occur.

Several limitations and obstructions impeded the inspection and, if feasible, should be removed, and a further inspection should be performed. There was no water or power connected to the property at the time of inspection and therefore all taps and electrical appliances were unable to be inspected / tested. The roof void & subfloor were unable to be fully inspected due to wire & sheeting along the subfloor base and extensive termite damage in the roof void. Recommend gaining access to obstructed areas to identify the extent of termite damage and rectify accordingly. Indicative images below depict some of the obstructions encountered.

For further information, advice and clarification please contact Vince McLindon on: 0490 970 459

### Section D Significant Items

The following items were noted as - For your information

#### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
Location: All 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.





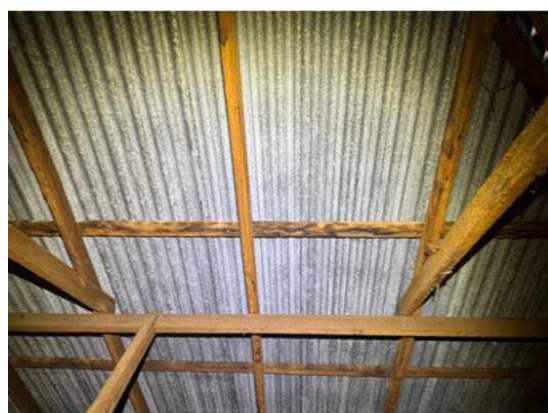




### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Roof Void  
 Finding: Sarking - Not Present  
 Information: It is noted for your information that sarking has not been installed on the roof. Sarking is a laminated aluminium foil applied to the interior of the roof covering, assists in insulating the property and acting as a vapour-barrier to the roof void.

The client can consult with a licensed roofing contractor at their discretion, to provide further advice.



### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: FYI Moisture Readings  
 Information: These photos are the moisture readings taken near plumbing fixtures and fittings, for your information.

No excessive moisture was evident in these areas at the time of inspection.



## 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.