



# Building and Timber Pest Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Wed, 4 Feb 2026

Property Address: 30 Cornelius Place, Regentville NSW 2745



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Timber Pest Risk & Recommendations

- Further investigation of all high-risk or inaccessible areas is strongly recommended.
- Regular termite inspections should be conducted at intervals not exceeding 12 months, or more frequently in high-risk areas.

#### Access Limitations

- Another manhole in the ceiling is recommended to enable complete access to the roof void.

#### General Risk Warning

- Due to:
- Low clearance or restricted access to parts of the roof void,
- And the number of limitations and obstructions listed,
- There is a higher risk of undetected defects.
- A further invasive inspection is highly recommended once access is gained.

#### Termite Protection

- Recommend obtaining records and maintenance history from the previous owner.

#### Safety & Compliance

- It is highly recommended that:
- A licensed electrician reviews all electrical components.
- A licensed plumber reviews plumbing systems and provides maintenance guidance.
- These reviews help ensure safe usage and longevity of essential systems and protect your investment.

## 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 good condition

### Overall Condition (Timber Pest)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is moderately susceptible to timber pests. A current termite treatment is in place. Minimum 12 monthly inspections should be carried out.

## Section B General

### General description of the property

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Building Type	Residential, Detached
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Slab on ground
Furnished	Furnished
No. of bedrooms	3
Occupied	Occupied
Orientation	North East
Other Building Elements	Driveway, Carport, Fence - Fabricated Metal Fence
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Architraves, Door Frames, Doors, Internal Joinery, Skirting Boards
Roof	Pitched, Tiled
Storeys	Single
Walls	Brick Veneer
Weather	Fine

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## 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
- Fencing
- Gardens
- Interior
- Landscaping Timbers
- Outbuildings
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Roof Void - Part
- 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.
- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection.
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Slab edge which would normally be exposed due to finished ground levels obscuring inspection.
- Wall exterior due to obstructions.

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
- Evidence of recently painted walls or ceilings
- Duct work
- External concrete or paving
- External finished ground level
- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Floor coverings
- Furniture
- Lack of suitable access or entry point
- Insulation
- Roof framing - not trafficable
- Rugs
- Solar Panels
- Stored items
- Wall linings
- Vegetation

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: **Medium**

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

No evidence was found

### Major Defect

No evidence was found

### Minor Defect

#### Finding 3.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Exterior walls - front and sides
Finding:	Substructure – Damp-Proof Course (DPC) & Weep Hole Clearance Non-Compliance
Information:	Observation:

The damp-proof course (DPC) was observed to be partially below adjacent ground or paving levels in some areas of the property.

DPCs are installed as an impervious barrier within masonry walls or piers to prevent rising moisture from migrating into the building. When ground levels or paving are built up above the DPC, moisture can enter the brickwork and rise through the structure.

Weep holes are installed in external masonry walls—typically above the DPC line—to allow water or condensation within the wall cavity to drain out. They are essential for maintaining a dry wall cavity and preventing moisture accumulation behind brickwork.

Relevant Standards:

According to AS 4773.2—2010 Clause 11.4.1 and NCC requirements, minimum clearances must be maintained between the DPC and surrounding ground or paved surfaces:

- 150 mm above natural ground level
- 75 mm above paved or concreted areas exposed to the weather
- 50 mm above paved/concreted areas protected by structures like carports or verandahs

Implications:

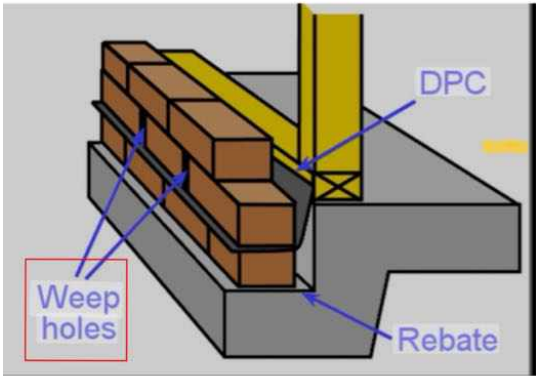
Where DPCs and weep holes are covered or obstructed, the following risks are introduced:

- Rising damp, leading to brick fretting, mortar deterioration, and staining
- Moisture build-up within the wall cavity, potentially causing mould growth
- Deterioration of internal timber building elements such as frames, wall plates, and flooring
- Increased risk of termite attraction, as termites are drawn to damp, concealed environments
- Reduced lifespan of structural materials and possible hidden internal damage

Recommendation:

- Lower external ground levels or landscaping to restore required clearance between finished surfaces and the DPC
- Regular monitoring advised at a minimum.





Finding 3.02

Building: Main Building  
Location: Exterior walls - left side  
Finding: Brickwork - Cracking.  
Information: Observation:

Cracking was noted in the external brickwork and appeared to be minor to moderate at the time of inspection.

Such cracking is a common occurrence in brickwork, particularly in buildings of this age and construction type, and is often associated with:

- Expected building movement over time
- Thermal expansion and contraction due to weather changes
- Material ageing or general settlement of footings

Vertical cracking may indicate thermal movement, while other patterns could suggest more localised stress within the wall.

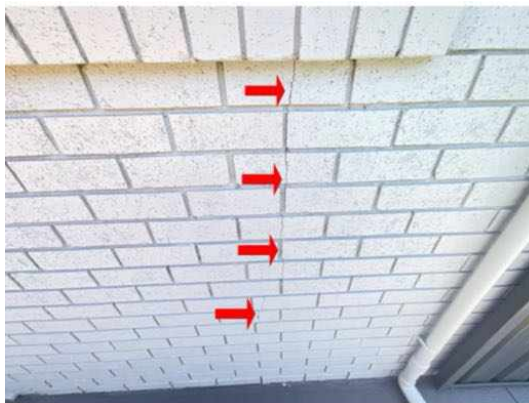
Implications:

- Cracks of this nature may progress or widen if underlying movement continues
- Recent landscaping (paving) suggests moisture issues may have been resolved.
- Moisture ingress may also occur through open cracks, leading to deterioration of internal elements if not addressed

Recommendation:

- Although cracking appears moderate and non-structural at this stage, it is recommended that the area be monitored.
- For a more detailed assessment, consultation with a qualified Structural Engineer is advised to determine if movement is ongoing and whether any remedial action is necessary

Note: This assessment is based on a visual inspection only. We are not Structural Engineers and cannot determine the structural implications of cracking without further specialist evaluation.



### Finding 3.03

Building:	Carport
Location:	Roof Exterior
Finding:	Downpipe - Unconnected. (Minor)
Information:	Observation:

A section of roof plumbing was found where the downpipe is not connected to the stormwater drainage system.

While the current site gradient directs water away from the building, overflow may be discharging onto neighbouring property, which is non-compliant with building codes and/or local council regulations.

Excessive moisture from uncontrolled roof runoff can create conditions that promote termite activity and timber decay.

Recommendation:

It is advised that a licensed plumber be engaged to:

- Inspect the affected roof plumbing area, and
- Connect the downpipe to a compliant stormwater drainage system, or alternatively, install appropriate drainage measures to manage water flow and mitigate potential property damage or pest risks.



## 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:	Yard
Finding:	Garden Beds Against Building – Conducive to Termite Activity..
Information:	Observation:

Garden beds were observed directly against the perimeter of the building. This condition can result in water pooling or retention during rainfall or from regular watering/hosing, which may lead to moisture ingress beneath the structure.

Risks:

- Persistent moisture buildup around the base of the building creates an environment that is conducive to termite activity and timber decay.
- Plants and vegetation close to or in contact with external walls can provide shade and cover, further increasing the likelihood of termite infestation.
- Garden beds may also conceal weep holes, slab edges, or termite barriers, reducing visibility during inspections and allowing for undetected termite entry.

Recommendation:

It is strongly recommended that garden beds be removed or relocated away from the

building perimeter. Maintaining a clear inspection zone around the structure helps reduce moisture retention and improves visibility during regular pest inspections. This preventative measure significantly lowers the risk of termite ingress and related structural damage.



### Finding 6.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Overflow Management – Risk of Termite Activity..
Information:	Observation: Water Pooling from HWS and Air Conditioning Overflows

Water discharge from the Hot Water System (HWS) pressure relief valve and air conditioning unit overflows was observed discharging close to the base of the structure, contributing to water pooling around the building perimeter.

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Timber Pest Risk Assessment:

Persistent moisture near the foundation or subfloor area significantly increases the likelihood of termite activity. Termites are highly attracted to damp environments, and stagnant water near structural elements provides ideal conditions for foraging and infestation.

- **Moisture Conducive to Infestation:** Termites require moisture for survival, and pooled water can soften timber materials, making them more accessible.
- **Structural Risk:** Prolonged dampness may also contribute to timber decay, further increasing vulnerability.

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Recommendation:

It is highly recommended that all overflows from the HWS and air conditioning units be

redirected away from the building, preferably via fixed drainage or extension piping, to prevent water accumulation near the structure.

These minor corrective works should be undertaken promptly to minimise the risk of both termite ingress and potential structural damage due to ongoing moisture exposure.



### Finding 6.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Exterior walls - Front, Part Left & Right
Finding:	Limitations – Concealed Weep Holes..
Information:	Where external weep holes are not visible or accessible, there is a significantly increased risk of concealed termite entry. Termites can exploit these hidden access points to enter the structure undetected.

Blocked or concealed weep holes can also lead to excessive moisture accumulation within brickwork and surrounding materials. This moisture creates ideal conditions for termite activity and can contribute to further structural or pest-related issues.

Weep holes should remain fully exposed and unobstructed. They must not be covered or blocked by:

- Render

- Tiles
- Cladding
- Flashings
- Adjoining structures
- Paving
- Soil or turf
- Landscaping elements

If any of the above conditions are present, you should arrange to have the weep holes fully exposed to allow for proper inspection and ventilation.

We strongly recommend the following:

- Regular inspections every 6 to 12 months where weep holes are not fully visible or accessible.
- Installation of a preventative termite management system, such as a chemical or physical termite barrier, to reduce the risk of termite entry.

Failure to address concealed weep holes may result in undetected termite activity and associated damage, which may not be covered under standard warranties or treatment guarantees.

Refer to building report for further information and recommendations.

## **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 Plumber specialising in Roof Plumbing
- Registered Roofing Contractor

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

- BUILDING AND PEST SUMMARY

Overall Property Condition

The dwelling was considered to be in good condition relative to others of similar age and construction that have been adequately maintained. No major structural defects were identified during the inspection.

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#### MAJOR DEFECTS

- None identified at the time of inspection.

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#### SAFETY HAZARDS

- None identified at the time of inspection.

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#### BUILDING REPORT SUMMARY

Yard / Drainage

- Site drainage appeared acceptable on the day of inspection..
- Some low-lying areas (Front garden bed) should be monitored during periods of heavy rain to ensure water does not pond near the building perimeter.
- Recommend landscaping adjustments and/or installing drainage to divert water away from the building perimeter.

- General drainage adequacy is outside the scope of this inspection. A smoke test is advised to assess for illegal or damaged connections
- Monitoring during and after rainfall is essential to evaluate effectiveness of any rectifications.

#### Roof Plumbing

- Gutters and downpipes were in serviceable condition with no active leaks noted.
- Downpipes to the carport is not connected to the stormwater drainage system.

#### Recommended actions:

- Connect downpipes to stormwater system.
- Roof drainage compliance is outside the inspection scope — further advice should be sought from a licensed roof plumber.

#### Roof Exterior

- The roof appeared to be in good condition overall, with no major visible defects from ladder-accessed areas.
- Roof not fully accessible due to limitations (Solar panels)
- Roof tiles and ridge capping mortar were consistent with an older restored roof and presented as generally sound.
- Due to limitations a closer inspection is recommended by a roofing contractor to assess minor tile deterioration or hidden defects and confirm condition.

#### External Walls

- External masonry walls appeared generally sound.
- Weep holes in some areas are partially below paving or soil. Rectification or regular monitoring is advisable.
- Cracking noted to the left exterior brickwork, likely related to historic exposure to excessive moisture. Monitoring is advisable.

#### Building Perimeter

- Ensure that surface water drains away from the building at all times.
- Garden beds and vegetation should be cleared from direct contact with external walls to reduce moisture retention and limit pest access.

#### Hot Water System (HWS), Taps, and Plumbing

- HWS appeared serviceable
- The HWS (DOM: 15/09/2018 )
- Taps and fixtures were operational; water pressure was consistent but not tested under full operating conditions.
- No significant leaks or water hammer noted.
- Recommend further testing after regular usage resumes.

#### Interior Linings

- Walls and ceilings were generally in good condition with minor wear and tear.
- No evidence of active ceiling leaks or water damage observed at the time of inspection.

The client should be aware that changes can occur after the inspection, and ongoing monitoring is recommended.

#### Windows & Doors

- All accessible windows and doors were operational.

#### Bathroom

- Overall condition good
- Bathroom recently renovated? consider confirming waterproofing certification.
- No elevated moisture readings were found behind the shower at the time of inspection.
- Monitoring after more frequent use is advised, and further invasive inspection may be warranted if leaks recur.
- Recommend sealing tiles and grout to prevent moisture ingress.
- No signs of active leaks; waterproofing assumed intact based on visual cues. Invasive inspection required for confirmation.

#### Kitchen

- The kitchen was in good condition overall with no visible defects.
- Recommend appliance testing by a licensed technician (outside scope of this report).

#### Plumbing, Leaks & Waterproofing (Limitations)

- This visual, non-invasive inspection cannot confirm the presence of leaks or the condition of waterproofing in wet areas.
- Water pressure and tapware condition were not fully assessed.
- A licensed plumber is required to provide an accurate assessment.

Note: Client should ensure all extensions and additions are council-approved.

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### TIMBER PEST REPORT SUMMARY

#### Termite Activity

- No visible evidence of active termites, termite damage, or mud leads at the time of inspection.

#### Timber Decay

- No Wood rot observed.

#### Moisture Conditions

- No elevated moisture detected in wet areas, including behind showers, at the time of inspection using a Tramex Moisture Encounter Plus.

#### Obstructions & Limitations

- Insulation, air conditioning unit and ductwork in the roof void may conceal termite activity or damage.

- Limited access in some roof void areas due to low pitch or clearance.
- Weep holes in some areas are partially below paving and soil.
- Full access is required to allow for a more comprehensive assessment, a re-inspection is recommended after access is made available.

#### Termite Management System

- A durable sticker for a termite management system was found.
- Recommend obtaining documentation and maintenance history from the previous owner or pest controller.

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#### KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Install stormwater connections to downpipe.
- Monitor front garden bed for future moisture issues.
- Consider confirming the termite management system.
- Engage a roofer for closer inspection of roof tile condition.
- Seek documentation for bathroom renovations (e.g., waterproofing certificates, council approvals).
- Schedule annual pest inspections in accordance with AS 3660.2 for ongoing risk management.

For further information, advice and clarification please contact David Piva on: 0466 136 675

## Section D Significant Items

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

#### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Perimeter Slab Edge
Finding:	Slab Edge Inspection Zone – Not Maintained..
Information:	Observation:

An inspection zone of at least 75mm should be maintained between the bottom course of brickwork and any adjoining surface (e.g., paving, soil, turf, or concrete) to allow for visual detection of termite activity. This area, known as the exposed slab edge, is a critical part of termite management and monitoring.

#### Risk:

If the slab edge is concealed by render, landscaping, cladding, soil, or other obstructions, termites may gain undetected access to the structure. Without a clear inspection zone, there is a high risk of concealed termite entry, particularly where no physical or chemical barrier can be confirmed.

#### Additional Note:

In some cases, determining the type of slab construction (e.g., waffle pod, conventional) may require review of original building plans or advice from a qualified builder or architect.

#### Recommendation:

- Ensure that the slab edge is kept fully exposed around the perimeter of the building.
- Remove any obstructions such as soil, mulch, paving, or cladding that may hinder visibility.
- Where the slab edge cannot be fully exposed, it is strongly recommended that timber pest inspections be carried out every 6 to 12 months to monitor for termite activity and minimise risk to the structure.

#### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Evidence of live termite activity was not visible at the time of the inspection..
Information:	Termite Activity – Important Advisory

Although no visible evidence of live termite activity was found at the time of this inspection, it is important to understand that early-stage termite attacks often show no visible signs. Termite activity can remain concealed within walls, floors, or other inaccessible areas, and evidence may only become apparent after significant damage has occurred.

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#### Limitations of the Inspection:

This inspection report reflects the conditions present on the day of inspection only. As such, it cannot guarantee the absence of termite activity, particularly in concealed or inaccessible areas.

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#### Recommendation:

If any new evidence of termite workings, mud leads, or timber damage is discovered before the next scheduled inspection, you should immediately contact a licensed pest management professional for further assessment and treatment if required.

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Note: Regular inspections (at least annually) are essential for the early detection of termite activity and to reduce the risk of serious structural damage.

### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Evidence of termite workings / damage was not visible at the time of inspection  
 Information: No visible evidence was found at the time of inspection to suggest that termite activity is present on the property including past workings and damage.

Annual pest inspections are advised in order to identify such workings.

### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Evidence of chemical delignification was not visible at the time of inspection..  
 Information: Overview:

Chemical delignification (wood defibration) is the chemical breakdown of lignin, causing wood fibers to deteriorate. It typically affects roof battens and other exposed

structural timbers.

Causes:

Occurs mainly in marine or chemically reactive environments due to exposure to airborne salts, corrosive gases, or industrial pollutants.

Consequences:

Reduces timber strength and integrity, potentially leading to roof structure failure if untreated.

Inspection Findings:

No signs of chemical delignification observed during inspection.

## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Wood borer activity - not identified..  
 Information: Wood Borer Activity

No evidence of active wood borer was observed in accessible areas. Some timber elements were obstructed or inaccessible, so concealed activity cannot be fully excluded. Wood-borer-related damage typically presents as fine powder (frass), small round exit holes, or weakened timber surfaces.

Recommendation

Clear obstructed areas for further inspection where possible and maintain annual pest inspections in line with AS 4349.3. If any signs of frass, exit holes, or timber deterioration appear, obtain further assessment from a licensed pest technician.

## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Fungal decay - Absent at the time of inspection..  
 Information: Fungal Decay (Wood Rot) – Risk Awareness

No visible signs of fungal decay were identified at the time of inspection. Fungal decay occurs when timber is exposed to prolonged moisture in conditions that support fungal growth, including elevated moisture content, poor ventilation, and suitable ambient temperatures.

Recommendation

Continue routine monitoring of all accessible timber elements, particularly those located in areas where moisture may be present. Ongoing maintenance such as maintaining ventilation, managing moisture sources, sealing or coating exposed timber surfaces, and replacing any deteriorated material will help reduce the risk of decay developing over time.

## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Thermal Imaging – Termite Activity Assessment..  
 Information: During the inspection, a Flir E6 Thermal Imaging Camera was used to detect irregularities in the internal walls and ceilings.

Termites can often be identified by:

- Nesting activity or visible mud tubes
- Moisture sources or structural damage

Termites release heat in the form of carbon dioxide and build mud tubes with high moisture content, which can create irregular heat patterns on surfaces such as walls, ceilings, and floors.

At the time of the inspection, no abnormalities indicating live termite activity were observed. However, it's important to note that various factors—such as obstructions, ambient temperature, and wall material/thickness—can impact the accuracy of thermal readings. In cases where surfaces are visually restricted or obstructed, a comprehensive thermal scan may not always be feasible.



## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Roof Void  
 Finding: Roof Void – Limited Accessibility..

## Information:

## Observation:

Access to the roof void was restricted due to several limiting factors, including:

- Low roof pitch
- Non-trafficable framing
- Inaccessible or obstructed areas
- Presence of insulation, A/C Unit & Ductwork

As a result, a complete inspection of the roof void was not possible.

A visual inspection was conducted from all accessible entry points, and supplementary photographs have been provided for your reference.

## Important Note:

A full inspection of the roof space is not achievable unless all obstructions—including insulation and restricted access points—are removed, and full, safe access is provided. Termite activity or timber pest damage may go undetected in concealed or inaccessible areas.

## Recommendation:

Installation of an additional manhole is recommended to facilitate a re-inspection and enable a more thorough assessment of the roof void in the future. This will help ensure that all structural elements and concealed areas are properly evaluated.





Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Kitchen  
 Finding: Kitchen Sink – Overall Condition & Recommendations.  
 Information: Observations:

- The kitchen sink tap(s) were water tested at the time of inspection, with no evidence of leaks or blockages observed in the visible plumbing or drainage.
- No significant water damage was observed to the cabinetry/unit

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Recommendations:

- Further monitoring and testing are recommended once the tap(s) are in constant use, to identify any drainage issues or signs of slow leaks not evident during the limited inspection.
- For long-term property care, it is advised that sealant and grouting in water-exposed areas be regularly inspected and maintained.



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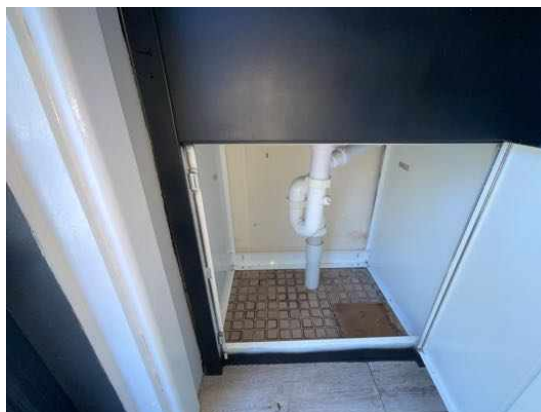
Building: Main Building  
 Location: Laundry  
 Finding: Laundry - Taps/Plumbing/Drainage.  
 Information: Observation: Laundry Tub – Taps, Plumbing, and Cabinetry

- The taps to the laundry tub were water tested and inspected, with no evidence of moisture, plumbing or drainage leaks observed at the time of inspection.
- No visible signs of water damage, rust, or corrosion were noted to the cabinetry or surrounding unit during the inspection.

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## Recommendations:

- Further monitoring or testing is recommended once the taps are placed into regular use, to ensure no leaks develop over time and that the drainage system continues to perform adequately.
- Sealant and grouting in wet areas should be maintained as part of the long-term care and upkeep of the property.



## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Powder Room  
 Finding: Wet Areas - Bathroom(s) - Overall Condition & Recommendations.  
 Information: Overall Condition & Recommendations

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## SHOWER:

- Water appeared to flow freely towards the floor waste during testing of the shower taps. However, further monitoring is required after regular use to determine whether water pooling or retention occurs.

- Flood testing of the shower recess is recommended. This may reveal inadequacies in the waterproofing or shower screens, which could lead to water damage in surrounding areas.
- Floor waste was found to be clear and free of blockages at the time of inspection. Further monitoring is advised after consistent use to identify any drainage issues or buildup requiring cleaning.
- No elevated moisture readings were detected around the tap fittings or behind the shower walls (as viewed from adjacent rooms), suggesting no active plumbing leaks at the time of inspection.
- Elevated moisture readings were found in the lower shower walls, which is a common occurrence with certain tile types that naturally absorb more moisture. This should be monitored over time.
- Sealing of grout and tiles is recommended to prevent moisture buildup and mould growth in damp areas such as showers.
- The condition of grout and sealant appeared to be good.

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#### TOILET:

- No leaks were observed during flushing. The toilet operated normally, and the toilet pan appeared to be securely fixed to the floor.

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#### VANITY UNIT:

- Basin(s) were water tested and inspected, with no leaks or blockages identified in the plumbing or drainage system at the time of inspection.
- Further monitoring is recommended after the basin(s) are placed under regular use to confirm ongoing performance and cleanliness.

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#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

It is not possible under the visual inspection criteria of a standard pre-purchase report to categorically determine if leaks are present. If a more detailed or accurate assessment is required, a special-purpose inspection should be undertaken.

Alternatively, the assumption should be made that leakage may occur, particularly where historical or environmental conditions are conducive. The visual nature of this

inspection cannot detect issues concealed behind wall/floor linings or cabinetry, and invasive investigation may be necessary to confirm the true condition of adjacent or hidden structures.





### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Bathroom  
 Finding: Wet Areas - Bathroom(s) - Overall Condition & Recommendations.  
 Information: Overall Condition & Recommendations

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#### SHOWER:

- Water appeared to flow freely towards the floor waste during testing of the shower taps. However, further monitoring is required after regular use to determine whether water pooling or retention occurs.
- Flood testing of the shower recess is recommended. This may reveal inadequacies in the waterproofing or shower screens, which could lead to water damage in surrounding areas.
- Floor waste was found to be clear and free of blockages at the time of inspection. Further monitoring is advised after consistent use to identify any drainage issues or buildup requiring cleaning.
- No elevated moisture readings were detected around the tap fittings or behind the shower walls (as viewed from adjacent rooms), suggesting no active plumbing leaks at

the time of inspection.

- Sealing of grout and tiles is recommended to prevent moisture buildup and mould growth in damp areas such as showers.
- The condition of grout and sealant appeared to be good.
- The exhaust fan appeared to be operational, which supports moisture control in the bathroom.

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#### TOILET:

- No leaks were observed during flushing. The toilet operated normally, and the toilet pan appeared to be securely fixed to the floor.

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#### VANITY UNIT:

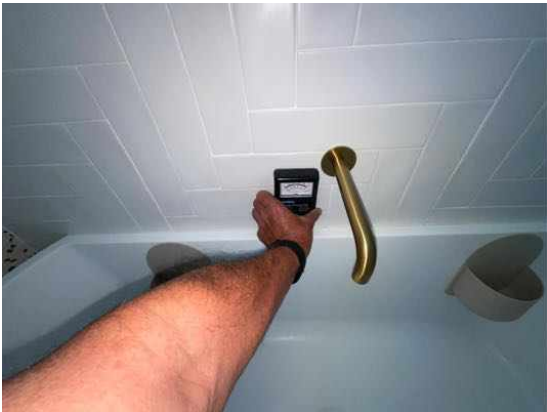
- Basin(s) were water tested and inspected, with no leaks or blockages identified in the plumbing or drainage system at the time of inspection.
- Further monitoring is recommended after the basin(s) are placed under regular use to confirm ongoing performance and cleanliness.
- No visible water damage was observed to the vanity cabinetry at the time of inspection.

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### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Water Pressure – Observation Only.  
 Information: During the inspection, water pressure appeared to be within a normal operating range based on a basic functional check. However, this observation was made without the use of pressure testing equipment and does not constitute an assessment by a licensed plumber.

No detailed inspection of the internal plumbing system, pipework, or compliance with plumbing standards was carried out as part of this report.

Recommendation:

It is strongly recommended that a Licensed Plumber be engaged to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the plumbing system to verify its functionality, check for any underlying issues, and confirm compliance with current regulations and standards.

## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Ceiling Condition & Observations.  
 Information: All areas of the dwelling were inspected, with particular attention given to the ceilings. These were closely assessed for any signs of moisture staining, damage, or visible anomalies that could indicate leaks or other issues.

- At the time of inspection, no evidence of moisture staining or damage was observed in the ceilings to suggest any active leaks or failures in the roof covering.

Please note that the observations in this section are based solely on the conditions present at the time of inspection. As this is a visual inspection, it cannot predict future issues or reveal problems that may only become apparent over time. Ceiling conditions can change, particularly following adverse weather events or wear to roofing materials.

Recommendation:

We strongly advise immediate further investigation should any signs of moisture, staining, or ceiling-related issues become visible in the future. Ongoing monitoring is recommended, and if concerns arise, a licensed roofing contractor or building professional should be consulted.

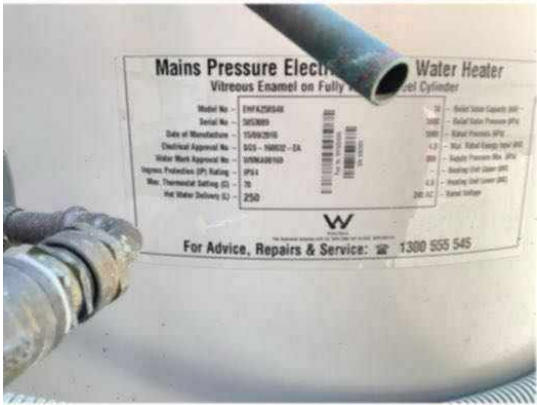
## Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Plumbing, Electrical & Gas Installations – Scope and Recommendations.  
 Information: Plumbing and electrical inspections fall outside the scope of this building inspection and must be carried out by appropriately licensed and registered tradespersons.

- Any gas appliances (if applicable) must be inspected by a licensed gas plumber to confirm they are operating safely and efficiently.
- We also recommend that all other plumbing and electrical installations be thoroughly checked by qualified professionals to ensure they are functioning correctly and meet current safety and compliance standards.

While this inspection includes observations of visually apparent defects relating to plumbing and electrical elements, it does not assess compliance with current regulations. Legislation requires that any such assessment be undertaken and documented by licensed electricians and plumbers.

Additional photos have been supplied with this report for your general reference.





### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
Location: All Areas  
Finding: Smoke Detectors / Alarms.  
Information: Reporting on the presence, type, location, or compliance of smoke detectors or alarms, including hard-wired smoke detection systems and their legislative requirements, is outside the scope of this inspection report.

Please note:

This information is provided as a general caution only.

To ensure compliance and safety, further inspection and/or advisory services from a qualified specialist are recommended. These services can confirm the sufficiency, type, location, and functionality of all smoke detection devices within the property.

It is the responsibility of the property owner or occupant to ensure that suitable and functional smoke detectors are installed prior to occupancy. As a minimum, it is advised that:

- All smoke detectors be tested monthly by the homeowner.
- All systems comply with the requirements of AS 3786 and any applicable state-based legislation.

Failure to comply with these requirements may pose a serious risk to occupant safety.



### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Shower Recess Waterproofing – Visual Assessment Only.
Information:	A visual inspection of the shower recess and surrounding walls was carried out where accessible. No evidence of recent water damage was observed at the time of inspection. Based on this limited assessment, there is no conclusive indication of current leakage, and it is reasonable to assume that the shower waterproofing is

functioning as intended.

Important Note:

If the shower has not been used recently, moisture readings may not reflect the presence of leaks, as water ingress often only becomes apparent during or shortly after regular use. This can result in false-negative results during non-invasive inspections.

Limitations:

This inspection was conducted under the visual-only criteria of a standard pre-purchase report. As such, it is not possible to categorically confirm the integrity of the waterproofing or the absence of leaks.

Recommendation:

If a more accurate assessment is required, the following options are recommended:

- Commissioning a special purpose (invasive) inspection by a qualified professional
- Proceeding with the assumption that the shower may leak, particularly in older properties or where no recent waterproofing documentation exists

## The following items were noted as - Evidence of a previous termite management program

### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Termite Management System – Previous Barrier Noted..  
 Information: Observation:

At the time of inspection, evidence of a previous termite management system was noted, indicated by the presence of a durable notice affixed to the electrical switchboard.

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Recommendations:

- The installation of a termite management system is strongly recommended for all properties, particularly those with timber building elements. These systems provide a proactive defence against termite attack and are effective in minimising the risk of concealed termite entry and structural damage.

- The client is advised to contact the pest control provider listed on the durable notice (if identifiable) to obtain further information regarding:
- The type of system installed (e.g., chemical barrier, baiting system, or physical barrier)
- The installation date
- Any warranty conditions, service history, or ongoing maintenance requirements
- If no reliable information can be obtained, or if the existing system is found to be outdated or non-functional, it is recommended that a new termite management system be installed by a licensed pest control professional.

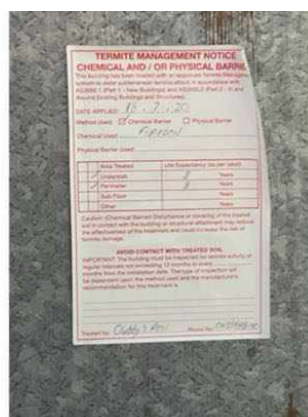
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Summary:

A termite management system is a comprehensive strategy to protect a property from termite infestation. It may include a combination of:

- Physical barriers
- Chemical treatments
- Baiting systems
- Regular inspections and monitoring

These measures work together to reduce the likelihood of undetected termite access and long-term structural damage to the building.



**TERMITE MANAGEMENT NOTICE**  
**CHEMICAL AND/OR PHYSICAL BARRIER**

The building has been treated with an approved Termite Management System to deter subterranean termites attack in accordance with AS/NZS 3000 (part 1 - New Buildings) and AS/NZS 3000.2 (part 2 - and Amend Existing Buildings and Structures).

DATE APPLIED: 5/12/24

Method Used:  Chemical Barrier  Physical Barrier

Chemical Used: CEL 5 SOLID

Prepared Method Used:

Area Treated	Life Expectancy (per Label)
Foundation	Years: <u>5</u>
Perimeter	Years: <u>5</u>
Sub Floor	Years: <u>5</u>
Other	Years: <u>5</u>

Caution: Chemical barrier: Disturbance or covering of the treated soil in contact with the building or structure alterations may reduce the effectiveness of the treatment and could increase the risk of termite damage.

**AVOID CONTACT WITH TREATED SOIL**

APPLICATION NOTE: This building must be inspected for termite activity at regular intervals not exceeding 12 months or every \_\_\_\_\_ months from the installation date. The type of inspection will be dependent upon the method used and the manufacturer's requirements for the treatment to apply.

**T&R PEST TERMITE CONTROL**

Treated By: SAKCC Phone No: 0424 896669



## 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.