



# Building and Timber Pest Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Wed, 25 Feb 2026

Property Address: 8 Barbarrosa Rd, Edmondson Park NSW  
2174, Australia



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Special conditions or instructions

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

This Report has been prepared in accordance with the pre-inspection agreement in place between the parties set out below, which set out the purpose and scope of the inspection, and the significant items that will be reported on. This Report reflects the opinion of the inspector based on the documents that have been provided. This Report should be read in its entirety and in the context of the agreed scope of Services. If there is a discrepancy between the summary findings and the body of the Report, the body of the Report will prevail. We recommend that you should promptly implement any recommendation or advice in this Report, including recommendations of further inspections by another specialist. 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: Wed, 25 Feb 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: This report does not comment on common areas.

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

## 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 with some minor defects found.

### Overall Condition (Timber Pest)

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

## Section B General

### General description of the property

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Building Type	Detached, Residential
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Slab on ground
Furnished	Furnished
No. of bedrooms	4
Occupied	Occupied
Orientation	South West
Other Building Elements	Driveway, Fence - Fabricated Metal Fence, Water Tanks
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Internal Joinery, Landscaping Timbers and Construction, Doors, Door Frames, Architraves, Window Frames, Skirting Boards, Stair Railing, Staircase
Roof	Pitched, Tiled, Timber Framed
Storeys	Double
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
- Interior

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:

- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection.
- Ceiling Cavity - Part.
- Exterior Roof Surface - Second Storey.

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 cavity inspection was significantly obstructed with more than 75% of the inspectable area inaccessible or obstructed by factors like lack of safe access, insulation and ducting.
- Ceiling linings
- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection
- Appliances and equipment
- Above safe working height
- External concrete or paving
- Duct work

- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Floor coverings
- Furniture
- Insulation
- Sarking
- Stored items, built in cabinetry, furniture and personal items obscured approximately 50% of every room.
- Wall linings

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

No evidence was found

### Major Defect

No evidence was found

### Minor Defect

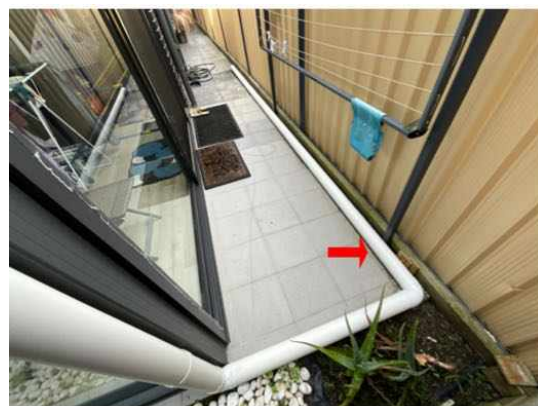
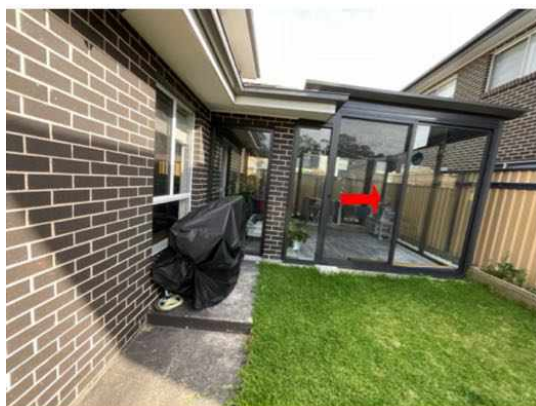
#### Finding 3.01

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Alfresco extension  
 Finding: Structure — Non Compliance Suspected  
 Information:

The structure is suspected to have been built using unconventional building methods. It is suspected that this structure does not comply with contemporary building practices and current Australian Standards.

While the structure does not currently appear to be unsafe, compliance with such standards ensures the structural integrity. As building standards have not been followed, this area provides a heightened risk of the development of building defects. The structural integrity of these areas may have been compromised, which creates potential for the development or presence of major safety issues.

It is highly recommended that any planned repair, remodelling or demolition works be carried out by licensed builders. A structural engineer should be appointed for consultation and any rectification required.



#### Finding 3.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Eaves LHS
Finding:	Ceiling - Water damaged
Information:	Water damage to the ceiling lining is generally an indication of excessive moisture being present in the roof void, usually via a leak to the roof covering.

Where water damage is evident to the ceiling, the primary requirement is to identify and rectify the source of the leak. A roofing plumber should be appointed as soon as possible to identify the leak and perform rectification works as necessary, ensuring the water damage is restricted.

Once the leak is repaired, consultation with relevant tradespeople, including plasterers and painters, is advised. Rectification works may include replacement of ceiling lining or minor repainting, depending on the extent of the damage.



### Finding 3.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Void
Finding:	Sarking - Damaged
Information:	Sarking, 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 and, subsequently, to the household.

Where sarking is damaged, both insulation and moisture protection of the property are inhibited. This creates a loss of energy and thus negatively impacts the energy efficiency of the property, allowing potential for moisture ingress from condensation or leaking roof tiles.

It is important to repair any holes or damaged sections of sarking to ensure that the building material is fully functional. A registered builder or qualified carpenter should be consulted to provide further advice on this defect and to perform rectification works at client discretion.



### Finding 3.04

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Shed  
 Finding: Roof flashing (acceptable) - Non-standard  
 Information:

The roof flashing that has been installed does not appear to comply with current building practice. However the flashing appears to be in an acceptable condition and is fulfilling its purpose in ensuring the roof covering is weather-tight.

Whilst retrospective fixing is not required if flashing begins to come loose from its fixing or deteriorates as evidenced by roof leaks a licensed roofing plumber should be appointed immediately to replace the building element.



### Finding 3.05

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Wet Areas  
 Finding: Sealant and grouting - Missing or damaged  
 Information:

It was noted on inspection that sealant or grout is degraded to this area.

Different materials and floor areas move at different rates, generally causing cracking

to grout or sealant at this point. A flexible sealant is required to allow for expected expansion and contraction, while keeping the joint water tight and protective of all associated building materials.

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

A sealant specialist should be appointed to complete these works as soon as possible.



### Finding 3.06

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Ensuite
Finding:	Incomplete or substandard works
Information:	The works to this area appear to be incomplete or have been completed to a substandard level.

Works that have not been completed to a satisfactory level create potential for the development of building defects and may impede on the safety and integrity of the overall structure.

It is highly recommended that the relevant trades be appointed to complete these works and ensure the safety of the area and the longevity of all associated building elements.

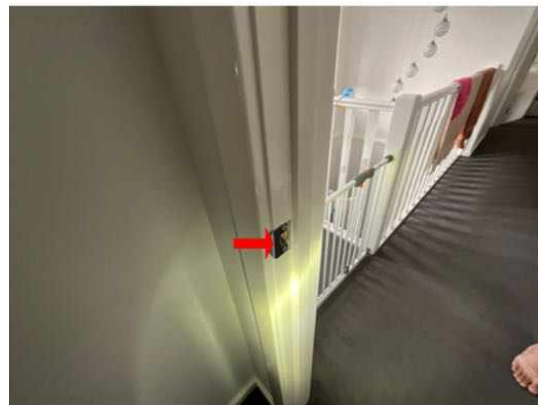
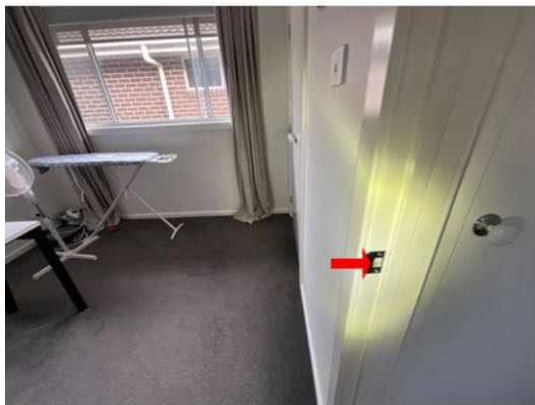


### Finding 3.07

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

This is a common defect and is expected in a property of this age, whether being due to substandard installation or general deterioration of the door hardware.

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



### Live Timber Pest Activity

No evidence was found

### Timber Pest Damage

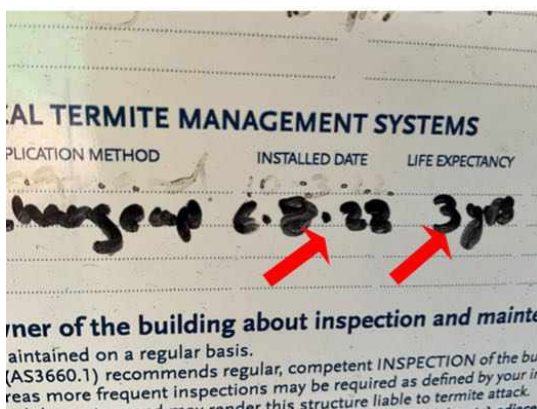
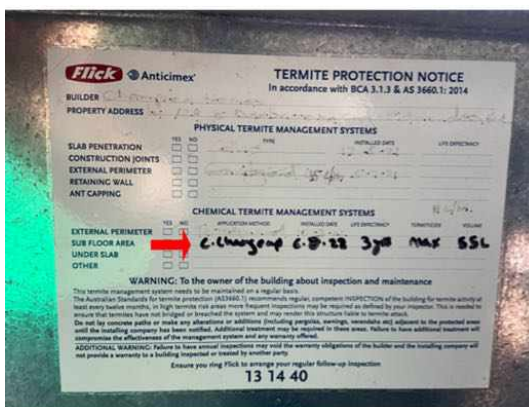
No evidence was found

## Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity

### Finding 6.01

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Areas  
 Finding: Re-application of chemical termite barrier - required  
 Information: Chemical treated barriers deteriorate over time necessitating the need for re-application of a barrier every 6-10 years depending on the product type environment etc. Due to this deterioration chemical barriers decline in their effectiveness exponentially if not replenished.

Consult the record of installation to identify the type of chemical and date of application. It is then advised to consult a licensed pest controller regarding reapplication intervals. Annual inspections are almost always required for all system types.



### Finding 6.02

Building: Main Building  
 Location: Fencing & Landscaping  
 Finding: Building materials in direct ground contact - conducive to termites  
 Information: Where timber elements are in direct contact with the ground and consequently

moisture or dampness they become conducive to termite activity. Whether timber is used as a building element part of a fencing structure or stored as an unused item they can provide an environment that is attractive to termite infestation.

When met with excessive moisture timber begins to decay and develop wood rot. Any timbers that are in direct contact with external grounds especially if left untreated or non-durable also provide ingress for subterranean termites into that particular element.

The removal of any such materials that may be conducive to termite activity should be removed as soon as possible to minimise the risk of termite attack.



### Finding 6.03

Building: Main Building  
Location: Surrounding bushland - Conducive  
Finding: Home and or building is situated in a high risk area for termite activity, due to close proximity to surrounding bushland.  
Information:



### Finding 6.04

Building: Main Building  
Location: External tap

Finding: Tap - No drain  
Information: The external tap in this area was noted to have no drain at the time of inspection.

This keeps the surrounding surfaces damp while using the tap, which becomes conducive to termite activity.

A licensed plumber must be appointed to ensure an appropriate drain is installed.



### **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
- 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

- This is a visual report as per AS4349.1 & AS4349.3 and as per agreed pre-inspection agreement that you have received from us.

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

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

#### MINOR DEFECTS

All minor defects may develop into safety hazards or major defects if they are not attended to. The following recommendations are highly advised immediately to avoid further damage or deterioration of building elements:

- Investigate & address water damage to the LHS eaves
- Ensure wet area sealant and grouting is in serviceable condition

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

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

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

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

#### TIMBER PEST SUMMARY

The following items are highly recommended:

- Regular inspections every 12 months

Additional information:

- Trees within 50m of the house that are on other properties or common grounds were not inspected.

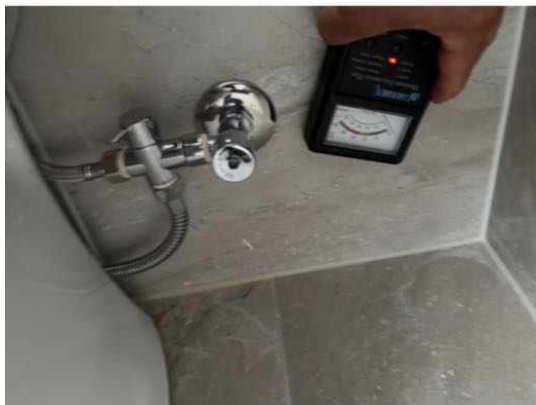
For further information, advice and clarification please contact Terry Masoudi \* on: 0420 990 777

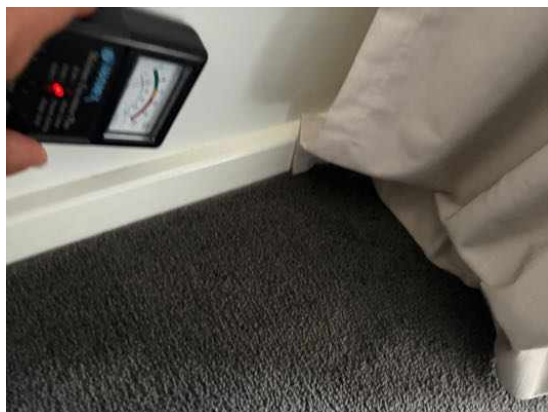
### Section D Significant Items

The following items were noted as - For your information

#### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
Location: All Areas  
Finding: Moisture metre  
Information: During the inspection the property was checked for moisture using a moisture metre.  
  
This is for information only.



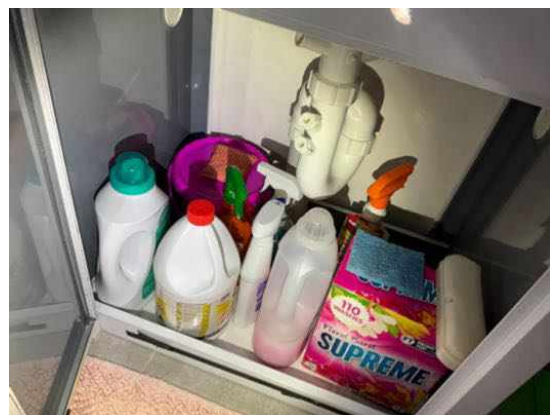


### Noted Item

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Wet Areas  
 Finding: Waterproofing  
 Information:

All taps, mixers and toilets were tested for operation, except for those obstructed. The waterproofing to the shower recess was assessed by checking the walls in and around the shower recess for varying moisture content. There were no significant variations across the tested areas. No sign of recent water damage was evident upon a visual inspection of the surrounding walls, where the visual nature of the inspection was possible.

Consequently, there is no conclusive evidence of any current shower recess leakage other than those which may have already been mentioned earlier in this report. It is reasonable to assume the shower waterproofing is sound. Note that if the shower is not used, or has not been used for some time, moisture readings would not vary significantly and this can lead to erroneous results. It is not possible under the visual inspection criteria (under which a prepurchase inspection is carried out) to categorically determine if there are leaks. If a more accurate assessment is required, a special purpose inspection should be requested. Alternatively, the assumption should be made that the shower may leak.







**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Roof Void  
Finding: Additional Photos  
Information:

Additional photos are provided for your general reference.



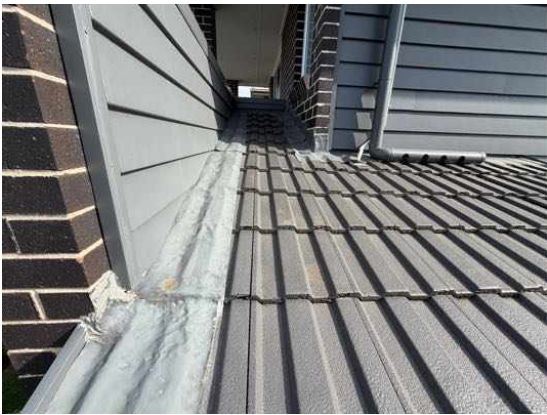


**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Roof Exterior  
Finding: Additional Photos  
Information:

Additional photos are provided for your general reference.





**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building

Location: Plumbing/electrical/gas/aircon/appliances/pool equipment/fire safety etc

Finding: Plumbing & Electrical

Information: Plumbing and electrical inspections including appliances are outside the scope of the building inspection and must be conducted by a Licensed and registered Trades person. It is highly recommended that the client makes immediate arrangements to have the gas appliances checked by a licensed gas plumber to ensure that the appliances are working safely and efficiently. We recommend all other installations be checked also. Whilst we note and comment of visually apparent defects that present during the building inspection, legislation requires the checking and documenting of

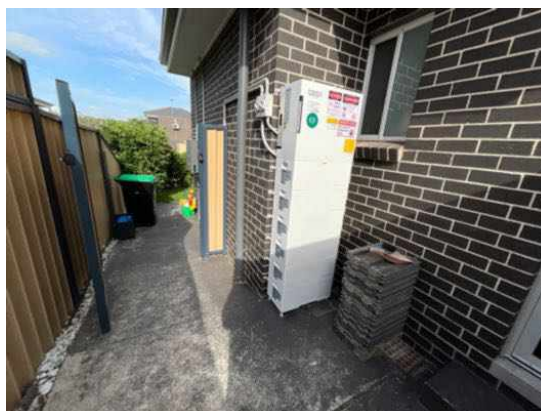
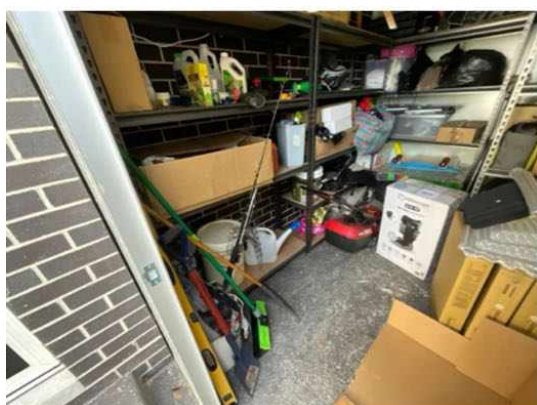
compliance for plumbing and electrical requirements be done by licensed electrician and plumbers respectively to ensure they are functioning correctly.

### Noted Item

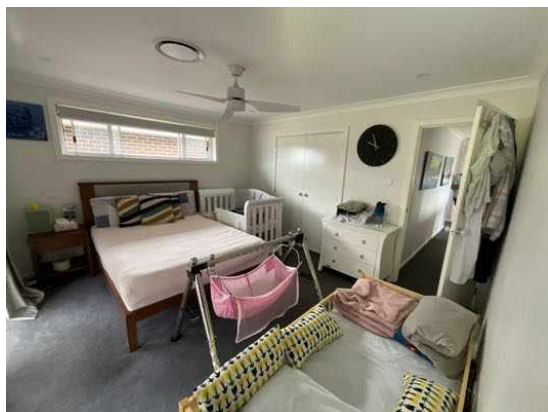
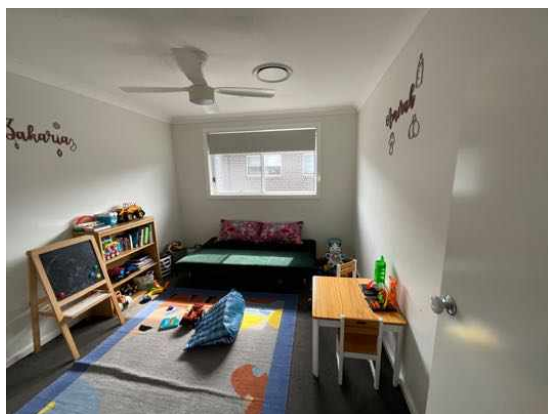
Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Site drainage
Information:	Unless mentioned as a defect further up this report, site drainage appears to be acceptable at the time of inspection, however, the site/yard should be monitored during heavy rain to determine whether the existing drains can cope. If it appears that they cannot cope, then additional drains may be required. The general adequacy of site drainage is not included in the Standard Property Inspection Report. Comments on surface water drainage are limited as where there may have been either little or no rainfall for a period of time, surface water drainage may appear to be adequate during the inspection but then during periods of heavy rain, may be found to be inadequate. Any comments made in this section are relevant only in light of the conditions present at the time of inspection. It is recommended that a Smoke Test be obtained to determine any illegal connections, blocked or broken drains.

### 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.







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

### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Meterbox
Finding:	Evidence of a previous termite management system was identified
Information:	There are a number of factors which indicate the presence of a previously installed or applied termite barrier. The most common are a durable notice (to the inside of your meter box) observable physical barriers installed to building perimeter and in ground reticulation systems.

Where a Termite Management System has been identified you should refer to the type of barrier date of installation warranty conditions and any documentation provided by a builder or past owner. Consult the company who installed the barrier to confirm whether the system is still under warranty.

Most chemical termite management systems expire and require replenishment and all physical systems are primarily designed to prevent concealed entry.



**Flick Anticimex** **TERMITE PROTECTION NOTICE**  
In accordance with BCA 3.1.3 & AS 3660.1: 2014

BUILDER \_\_\_\_\_  
PROPERTY ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**PHYSICAL TERMITE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

	TYPE	INSTALL DATE	LIFE EXPECTANCY
SLAB PENETRATION	<input type="checkbox"/>		
CONSTRUCTION JOINTS	<input type="checkbox"/>		
EXTERNAL PERIMETER	<input type="checkbox"/>		
RETAINING WALL	<input type="checkbox"/>		
ANT CAPPING	<input type="checkbox"/>		

**CHEMICAL TERMITE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS**

	APPLICATION METHOD	INSTALL DATE	LIFE EXPECTANCY	TREATMENT	WARRANTY
EXTERNAL PERIMETER	<input type="checkbox"/>				
SUB FLOOR AREA	<input type="checkbox"/>	6.8.22	3y	Max	5L
UNDER SLAB	<input type="checkbox"/>				
OTHER	<input type="checkbox"/>				

**WARNING: To the owner of the building about inspection and maintenance**  
This termite management system needs to be maintained on a regular basis.  
The Australian Standards for termite protection (AS3660.1) requires regular, competent INSPECTION of the building for termite activity at least every twelve months, in high termite risk areas more frequent inspections may be required as defined by your inspector. This is needed to ensure that termites have not bridged or breached the system and may render this structure liable to termite attack.  
Do not lay concrete paths or make any alterations or additions (including pergolas, awnings, verandahs etc) adjacent to the protected area until the installing company has been notified. Additional treatment may be required in these areas. Failure to have additional treatment will compromise the effectiveness of the management system and any warranty offered.  
ADDITIONAL WARNING: Failure to have annual inspections may void the warranty obligations of the builder and the installing company will not provide a warranty to a building inspected or treated by another party.  
Ensure you ring Flick to arrange your regular follow-up inspection  
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## 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.

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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.