



Building Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Wed, 1 Apr 2026

Property Address: 1/14 Milton Ave, Clayton South VIC 3169,
Australia



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This Report has been prepared in accordance with the pre-inspection agreement in place between the parties set out below, which set out the purpose and scope of the inspection, and the significant items that will be reported on. This Report reflects the opinion of the inspector based on the documents that have been provided. This Report should be read in its entirety and in the context of the agreed scope of Services. If there is a discrepancy between the summary findings and the body of the Report, the body of the Report will prevail. We recommend that you should promptly implement any recommendation or advice in this Report, including recommendations of further inspections by another specialist. If you have any queries with this Report or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the person who carried out the inspection. This Report contains reference to material that is the copyright of Standards Australia reproduced under agreement with SAI Global to Jim's Building Inspections (Australia).

Original Inspection Date: Wed, 1 Apr 2026

The Parties

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Special conditions or instructions

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

The following apply: Not Applicable

Section A Results of Inspection - summary

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

	Found	Not Found
Safety Hazard	✓	
Major Defect	✓	
Minor Defect	✓	

Overall Condition

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is in poor condition with major and minor defects found.

Section B General

General description of the property

Building Type	Residential
Company or Strata title	Yes
Floor	Concrete Stumps, Suspended Timber Frame
Furnished	Furnished
No. of bedrooms	2
Occupied	Unoccupied
Orientation	North
Other Building Elements	Carport, Fence - Post and Rail Construction
Other Timber Bldg Elements	Doors, Door Frames, Architraves, Skirting Boards, Floorboards, Window Frames
Roof	Pitched, Tiled, Timber Framed
Storeys	Single
Walls	Brick Veneer (Timber Framed)
Weather	Overcast

Section C Accessibility

Areas Inspected

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

- Exterior
- Interior

The inspection excludes areas which are affected by obstructions or where access is limited or unsafe. We do not move obstructions and building defects may not be obvious unless obstructions or unsafe conditions are removed to provide access.

Inaccessible Areas

The following areas were inaccessible:

- Ceiling Cavity.
- Subfloor due to lack of access.

Any areas which are inaccessible at the time of inspection present a high risk for undetected building defects. The client is strongly advised to make arrangements to access inaccessible areas urgently wherever possible.

Obstructions and Limitations

Building defects may be concealed by the following obstructions which prevented full inspection:

- Fixed ceilings
- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Evidence of recently painted walls or ceilings
- External concrete or paving
- Floor coverings
- Furniture
- Stored items
- Stored items, built in cabinetry, furniture and personal items obscured approximately 25% of every room.

- Subfloor was not able to be inspected - there was no access to this area.

The presence of obstructions increases the risk of undetected defects. The client should make arrangement to remove obstructions where ever possible and re-inspect these areas as a matter of urgency. See also overall risk rating for undetected defects.

Undetected defect risk

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 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

Defects 1.01

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

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

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



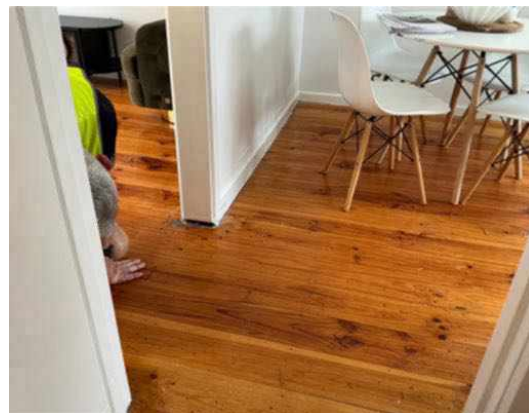
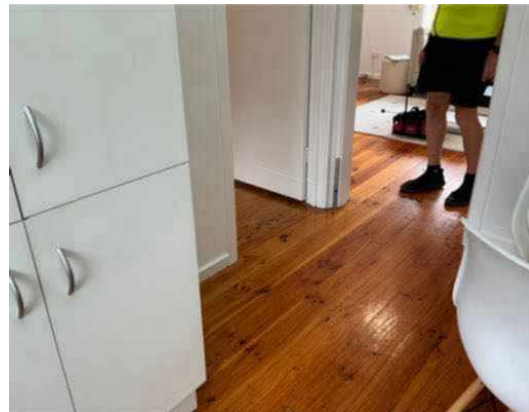
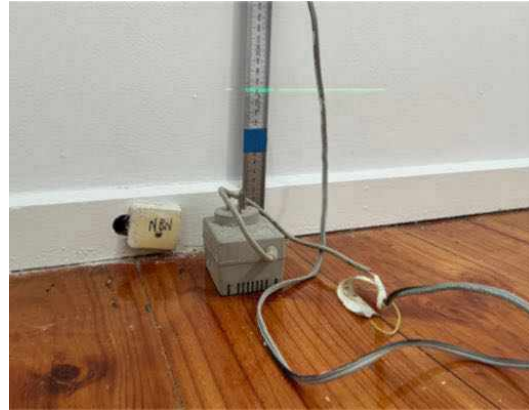
Major Defect

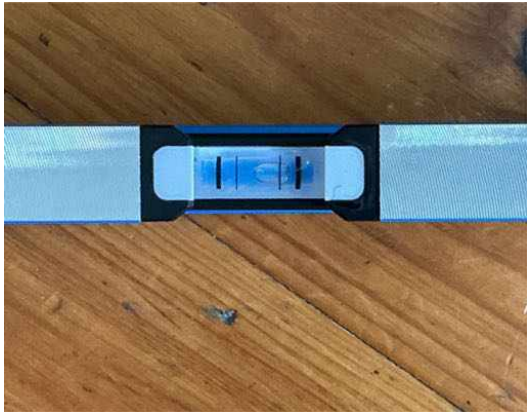
Defects 2.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Flooring - Uneven
Information:	The internal flooring in this area is out of level and uneven. Uneven flooring is likely to indicate minor defects such as expected movement of the foundations of the property, but may also indicate subsidence of the associated subfloor stumps.

It is advised that the flooring be closely monitored to identify any further movement. Where flooring remains relatively unchanged for an extended period of time (i.e. several months), it is likely that this defect has been caused by expected movement of the foundations of the property.

However, where flooring is uneven further, potentially invasive inspection of the subfloor structures and stumps in this area is required. In this case, works to repair are likely to be required, and would be carried out by a registered builder specialising in re-stumping.





Defects 2.02

Building: Main Building
Location: All Areas
Finding: Brickwork cracking major and minor
Information: There are several minor cracks evident throughout the exterior of the dwelling. These cracks are commonly less than 5mm in width and are expected in a property of this age and can be easily filled and monitored in the future.

There are also several larger more noticeable major cracks and crack repairs evident to the dwelling. These cracks usually coincide with openings (windows and doors) however they can present in other areas also. Cracks of this type are likely to have been caused by minor expected movement of building elements, but may also have a structural cause that is more significant.

Noticeable cracks in brickwork may develop if left unattended with the potential of necessitating remedial works or replacement of sections of brickwork. Always monitor these cracks and contact a building inspector should cracks widen lengthen or become more numerous.

A qualified bricklayer should be contacted immediately to estimate and perform repair and restoration works. Consultation with a structural engineer may be required where structural instability is found to be the underlying cause of the cracking.







Defects 2.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Living Room
Finding:	Ceiling - Sagging
Information:	Sections of the ceiling were found to be sagging at the time of inspection. Sagging to the fixed ceiling structure generally indicates that the building materials have swollen, due to contact with water, or that fixings (e.g. nails or glue) have become loose and require reattachment.

Where minor sagging is evident, comparatively minor works, such as re-gluing of ceiling sheets, may be required. Such works may be performed by relevant tradespeople, such as plasterers and painters. Where excessive moisture has caused the roofing structure to swell and sag, the source of the water leak should primarily be identified prior to any remedial works being performed.

In some cases, sagging ceiling linings may also indicate that there are structural issues, causing surfaces to warp, twist or sag. Where sagging appears to be major, appointment of a structural engineer is advised to further inspect the property and identify the source and rectification works required.

The appropriate action should be taken by the client as soon as possible to ensure that any potential further damage is limited.



Minor Defect

Defects 3.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Front Elevation
Finding:	Weatherboards - Rotting
Information:	The external weatherboards show signs of fungal decay (wood rot) in several sections. This wood rot is suspected to have developed over a prolonged period of time due to frequent weather exposure, which is expected in a property of this age and condition

Weatherboards are sealed and protected by paint and other sealants. When these sealants deteriorate over time, they allow water penetration to the weatherboards, causing wood rot. If left unmanaged, the wood rot is likely to develop further, possibly necessitating major repair or replacement works in the long-term future.

To maintain the condition of the external wall cladding, any severely affected weatherboards should be substituted as soon as possible with pre-treated replacements. Where weatherboards have rotted due to excessive moisture other than rain penetration, the cause of the moisture should be identified immediately by a licensed plumber. A qualified carpenter should be appointed to repair and replace rotting weatherboards.



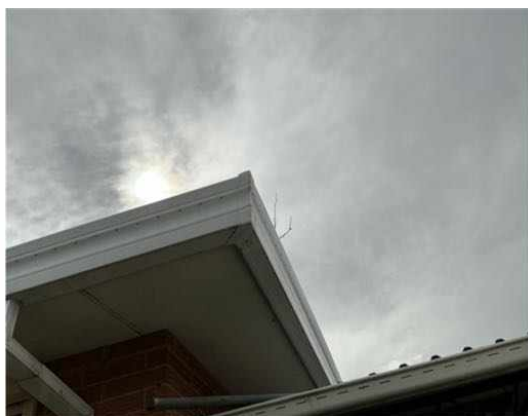
Defects 3.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Gutters
Finding:	Gutters - Blocked
Information:	Roof plumbing structures, such as guttering and downpipes, should be free of all debris to prevent blockages. Blockages of the guttering and downpipes will lead to pooling and accumulated water overflows, which is likely to subsequently flood eaves and exterior walls.

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

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

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

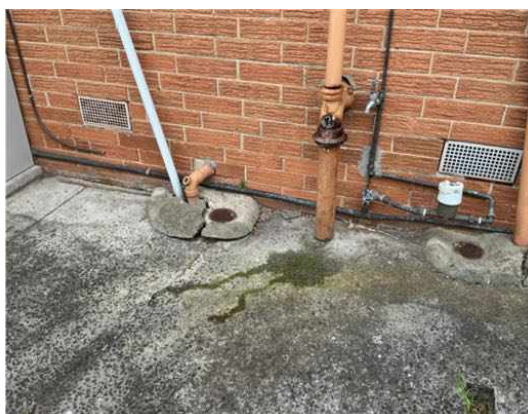


Defects 3.03

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

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

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



Defects 3.04

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

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

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



Defects 3.05

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Door - Binding/jamming
Information:	Binding and/or jamming of this door is evident during standard operation. This defect inhibits the functionality of the affected door as well as creating potential for secondary defects to associated building elements, such as damage to the floor covering.

A door that binds to flooring or to the associated door frame may have several causes, ranging from minor defects, such as poor installation of the door or deteriorated hinges, through to major structural issues, such as damage to subfloor structures.

Where door binding/jamming appears to indicate major structural issues, a registered builder specialising in re-stumping should be appointed to provide an estimate on the cost of rectification.

For minor causes, a qualified carpenter or general handyperson should be appointed to perform minor rectification works at client discretion.



Defects 3.06

Building: Main Building

Location: Fencing

Finding: Fencing - Deteriorated

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

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

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





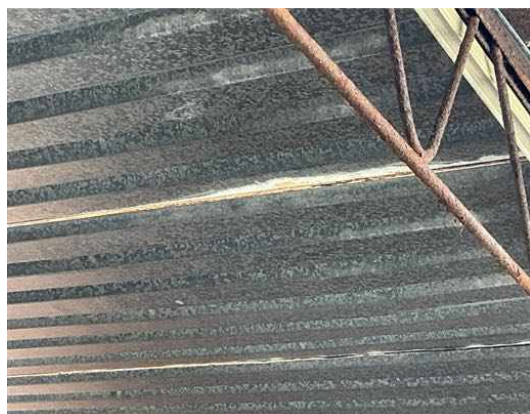
Defects 3.07

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Carport
Finding:	Roof sheets - Rusted
Information:	Metal roofs generally comprise numerous individual sheets, which join and overlap. These intersections are particularly prone to lift at the edge and consequently rust at these points.

Upon inspection of the exterior roofing structure, evidence of rust to these sections was identified. If left unmanaged, these degrading joints can allow water ingress to the internal roofing structures, potentially leading to secondary damage of building elements. Accelerated deterioration of the roofing sheets and any associated building elements is also likely to occur.

A roofing contractor should be appointed immediately to assess the damage to the roofing sheets and to perform remedial works as necessary. Works may include replacement of severely affected roofing sheets or minor works such as the application of rust-retardant surface protectors.





Defects 3.08

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Bedroom
Finding:	Window - Cracked
Information:	Cracks were identified in the window in this area. Cracking in windows is generally the result of impact damage, and is likely to develop further when left unmanaged.

The likelihood of this windowpane further cracking and shattering is increased exponentially, providing a safety hazard in the area. The cracked window also impairs the weather tightness of the building, creating potential for minor water leaks.

A qualified glazier is required to repair the window as soon as possible. Depending on the extent of the cracking, replacement of the window may be required. Please be advised that any persons coming into contact with the cracked window should do so with due caution to avoid any personal injury that may ensue.



Defects 3.09

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Eaves
Finding:	Eaves - Sagging
Information:	Sagging to the eaves was evident in this area at the time of inspection. This type of

defect is generally consistent with older properties, where the eave sheeting has worn over time.

Eaves are important in preventing water ingress to associated walls by promoting adequate water run-off from roofing structures. Their secondary function is to prevent shelter to adjoining structures from excessive moisture and hence prevent water damage to these areas.

Sagging eaves are susceptible to the attraction of excessive moisture, and are therefore considered non-functional. This defect also detracts from the overall appearance and condition of the roofing structure and any associated structures.

A roofing plumber or general handyman is recommended to perform rectification works as soon as possible. Subsequent water damage is likely to result over time if left unattended.



Defects 3.10

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Door - Gap
Information:	A significant gap was identified between the door and door frame in this area. Where large gaps to the head or foot of door frames appear, it may indicate a variety of defects, ranging from uneven framework, sagging hinges or uneven flooring.

A gap to the head of the door may also indicate movement of the foundation of the property, which is a common occurrence and does not indicate structural damage.

A qualified carpenter should be appointed to perform remedial works to restore the door to a fully operational level.



Defects 3.11

Building: Main Building

Location: Bathroom

Finding: Cracked floor tiles

Information: Cracking in the floor tiles was evident in this area at the time of inspection. It is suspected that this cracking has occurred as a result of minor settlement or shrinkage of the slab.

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

While not considered a matter of urgency, replacement of cracked floor tiles is

recommended at the clients discretion. A tiling contractor may be appointed to perform these works. Where cracks become more numerous, contact a licensed building inspector for further investigation.



Defects 3.12

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Exterior
Finding:	Roof tiles - Weathered
Information:	Upon inspection of the exterior roofing, the majority of roof tiles were considered to be in a fair condition. While weathering of the tiles is consistent with the age of the property, maintenance works are required.

Isolated areas of mortar have come loose in the valleys and minor cracking is also present. Re-pointing and re-sealing the may be considered as an interim solution by the client to help preserve and extend the life span of the tiles.

Where left unmanaged, deteriorating roof tiles are likely to lead to a number of secondary defects, including minor water leaks and weather exposure to internal roofing structures.

Consultation with a roofing contractor is highly advised to gain advice on cost of remedial works that may be required in the short to medium term. Remedial works are likely to increase the longevity of the exterior roofing structure.



Defects 3.13

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas
Finding:	Brickwork - Deteriorated mortar
Information:	Mortar, or 'bedding', is the material which fills joins and intersections between bricks in masonry walls and structures. Sections of mortar in this brickwork were identified as having deteriorated, which is generally expected for a property of this age and condition.

Mortar may deteriorate as a result of age of building materials, minor movement of bricks, or frequent exposure to weathering. Mortar should be replaced to ensure that bricks remain in their intended location and to prevent gaps, which would allow water or moisture ingress and secondary damage as a result.

Mortar deterioration can be addressed by a bricklayer where areas of deterioration are localised and easily accessible. Alternatively, appointment of a registered builder is advised, to repoint large areas of decaying mortar. Where secondary structural defects have become evident, consultation with a structural engineer may be required.





Section D Significant Items

D4 Further Inspections

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

- Structural Engineer
- Licensed Plumber
- Licensed Bricklayer
- Registered Roofing Contractor
- Registered/Licensed Builder
- Asbestos Inspector
- As identified in summary and defect statements
- Geo-technical Engineer

Jim's Building Inspections can put you in contact with qualified and licensed providers of these and other trades services. Please contact your inspector for recommendations, or visit www.jims.net.

D5 Conclusion - Assessment of overall condition of property

- On inspection, some major defects and some minor defects and maintenance items were found as listed in the report.

Please be aware that without attention, some minor defects may become major defects.

Uneven flooring and major brickwork cracking are both considered major defects for immediate rectification.

Uneven and bouncy floors were found throughout, with binding doors and gaps to door frames and skirting.

Restumping/stabilization as well as underpinning works will be required in the short term. Access to the subfloor area was extremely limited, full inspection of the subfloor is not possible. It is recommended that a specialist in Restumping and underpinning be contracted to perform and advise on remedial works.

A qualified Bricklayer will be required to advise on and quote all brickwork repairs.

Purchasers should be aware that works to repair and stabilise this property will be extensive and costly.

There was no evidence of a previous termite treatment; we recommend installation of a preventative treatment to all properties.

Please read the report in full and contact me with any questions.

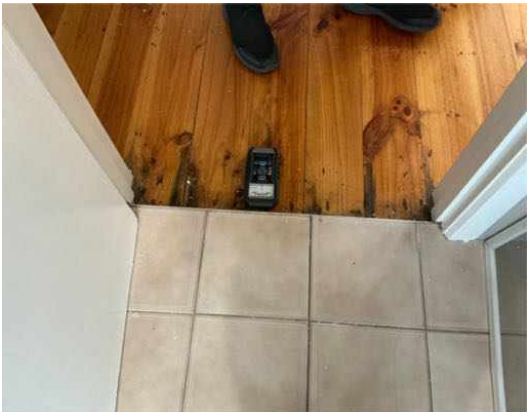
For further information, advice and clarification please contact Vince Paterno on: 0498 110 155

Section D Significant Items

The following items were noted as - For your information

Noted Item

Building: Main Building
Location: All Areas
Finding: Additional Photos
Information: Additional photos are provided for your general reference





Noted Item

Building: Main Building
 Location: All Areas
 Finding: Terracotta pipes
 Information: Terracotta drainage pipes (sometimes referred to as clay or vitrified clay pipes) have been used for many many years. The use of clay drainage pipes dates back to the Romans, who used the clay pipe system as it was easy to manufacture, straightforward to lay and, for the most part, reliable. However, due to the rigid and brittle nature of clay or terracotta pipes problems can begin to occur over time. Even if they're functioning fine now, clay pipes will need replacing eventually.

The average lifespan of a clay pipe sewer system is 60 years — which means an upgrade is decades overdue for many homes. For your peace of mind you may wish to have your sewer pipes inspected and replaced before a major problem occurs



Noted Item

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

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

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



Noted Item

Building: Main Building
Location: Appliances
Finding: Warranty - Expired
Information: Where appliances are beyond their warranty period, the owner should be prepared to meet the cost of replacement or repair of the item at any time. The operation of the appliance can not be guaranteed and further inspection by an appropriately qualified tradesperson may be required.



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.
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.
Limitation	Any factor that prevents full or proper inspection of the building.
Major defect	A defect of sufficient magnitude where rectification has to be carried out in order to avoid unsafe conditions, loss of utility or further deterioration of the property.
Methamphetamine	An amphetamine-type stimulant that is highly addictive. Methamphetamine is a controlled substance, classified as a Class A (very high-risk) drug under the Misuse of Drug Act. This term is used as a grouping term to include all substances screened for, specifically: Ephedrine, Pseudoephedrine, Amphetamine, Methamphetamine, MDA and MDMA.
Methamphetamine contamination	A property or part of a property where the level of methamphetamine has been tested in accordance with this standard and found to exceed 0.5 micrograms/100 cm ² (Residential) or 10 micrograms/100 cm ² (Commercial).

Methamphetamine production/manufacture	The manufacture of methamphetamine, including processing, packaging, and storage of methamphetamine and associated chemicals.
Minor defect	A defect other than a major defect.
Roof space/Roof void	Space between the roof covering and the ceiling immediately below the roof covering.
Screening assessment	An assessment by a screening sampler to determine whether or not methamphetamine is present.
Serviceability defect	Fault or deviation from the intended serviceability performance of a building element.
Significant item	An item that is to be reported in accordance with the scope of the inspection.
Site	Allotment of land on which a building stands or is to be erected.
Structural defect	Fault or deviation from the intended structural performance of a building element.
Structural element	Physically distinguishable part of a structure. NOTE: For example wall, columns, beam, connection.
Subfloor space	Space between the underside of a suspended floor and the ground.
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 a pest report. As termites are widespread throughout mainland Australia we recommend annual timber pest inspections.

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.

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.