FAMILYGUARD

**HOME INSPECTION REPORT** 





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623 Stratton Rd. Fort Wayne, IN 46825
Inspection Prepared For: Seller

Date of Inspection: 9/11/2024

Age of House: 41 Years

Weather: Clear

#### **Report Overview**

All components designated for inspection in the ASHI Standards of Practice are inspected, except as may be noted in the "Limitations of Inspection" sections within this report. The inspection report is not a code inspection. The inspection report will focus on safety and function. The inspection report identifies specific non-cosmetic concerns that the inspector feels may need further investigation or repair. It is the goal of the inspection report to provide a home buyer additional knowledge of the home. The knowledge from the inspection report is equipped to help a home buyer make a more informative decision during a real estate transaction. Not all improvements will be identified during the inspection. Unexpected repairs should still be anticipated. Please refer to the inspection agreement for a full explanation of the scope of the inspection. The inspection is a non-invasive and visual inspection only.

The report is a snapshot in time, on the day of the inspection. It is recommended that you carry out a final walk-through inspection immediately before closing to check the property's condition and to ensure your expectations are met with any negotiated repairs between you and the seller.

As noted in the inspection agreement, some components and systems throughout the house will be rated Acceptable, Marginal, Poor, Safety Hazard or Aged. Please refer to the inspection agreement or the below list/legend for a more detailed description of the definitions. Throughout the report, icons are utilized to make things easier to find and read. Use the list/legend below to understand each rating icon and definition.



Acceptable – Indicates the component is functionally consistent with its original purpose but may show signs of normal wear and tear and deterioration. Please note, Acceptable does not mean perfection.



Marginal – Indicates the component does not meet the industry standard or the component is not equivalent to its original design and will probably require maintenance, repair or replacement anytime within five years.



Poor – Indicates the component or system will need repair or replacement now or in the very near future.



Safety Hazard – Denotes a condition that is unsafe and in need of prompt attention.



Aged - Indicates the component is towards the end of its lifespan and will need replacement or repair in the near future.

Please note, a system or component that is indicated as Marginal or Poor can also be simultaneously deemed as Aged and/or a Safety Hazard.

The report contains a unique pop-up glossary feature. Words highlighted in yellow will provide a definition or a tip when the mouse is hovered over the term.

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## Report Summary

The summary page identifies potentially notable findings. **Please review all pages of the report as the summary page is not a complete listing of all the findings in the report**. FamilyGuard recommends all home repairs, regardless of difficulty or size, be performed by a licensed professional. It is also recommended that all systems/components connected, joined, affixed, related to and/or in conjunction with any home repairs be further evaluated by a licensed professional. FamilyGuard recommends obtaining a copy of all receipts, warranties, permits, technician notes and a description of work performed for all home repairs and/or evaluations.

Exterior		
Page 8 Item: 3	Siding	Wood rot damage along the siding.
Interior		
Page 41 Item: 4	Additional Information	• The windows throughout the house are aged and are towards the end of their life expectancy. Window repairs and potential replacement of windows should be anticipated.
		• Several areas of discoloration and previous water stains along the ceilings throughout the house. Please review entire report for photos.

## Grounds

#### 1. Driveway



#### 2. Service Walks/Steps





Uneven surfaces along the service walks.



Uneven surfaces along the service walks.

#### 3. Patio/Deck









The deck has wood to soil contact. This is not a recommended practice. Water and moisture from the soil/earth can wick up along the deck and the water can be absorbed by the deck. An active or intermittent water source can cause property damage, such as wood rot damage. Also, the wood to soil contact can enable the infestation of wood destroying insects, such as termites or powderpost beetles.



Wood rot damage.

#### 4. Hose Bibs



#### 5. Landscaping





- Trim back trees/shrubberies
- Remove wood/leaves/debris from around house



Tree adjacent to the house. Tree roots can cause foundation problems and can create structural damage to the foundation. Also, trees that are next to the house can potentially fall on the house, potentially causing bodily harm and damage to the house.



Vegetation against the siding/in proximity of the siding. This is not a recommended practice. Vegetation has the potential to harbor insects, wood destroying insects, rodents and moisture. Insects, wood destroying insects, rodents and moisture have the potential to create future problems for a house such as structural demands. future problems for a house, such as structural damage, pest infestation and wood rot damage.

## Roof

## 1. Roof Visibility

Findings:

All

## 2. Roof Layers

Findings:

Appears to be 1 layer

#### 3. Roof Type

Findings:

Asphalt

#### 4. Approximate Age of Roof

Findings:
• 1 - 5+ years

#### 5. Condition

Condition:



• Unconventional/excessive use of sealant



General photo of the roof.

Unconventional application of roof sealant along the rubber flashing. Rubber flashing is designed to be caulkless. This is considered amateur craftsmanship. Most roof sealants are petroleum based. A petroleum based product can cause the rubber flashing to prematurely deteriorate, thus creating a leak point.

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Debris along the roof. Excessive debris along the roof can restrict the ability of the roof to shed water, thus creating potential leak points.



Unconventional application of sealant along the roof. This is considered abnormal and amateur craftsmanship. Amateur craftsmanship is prone to failure and leakage.

## **Exterior**

## 1. Chimney/Fireplace

Marginal • I

Findings:

- Needs cleaning/serviced
- Before using the fireplace, it is recommended that a licensed chimney/fireplace professional further evaluate to ensure the fireplace is in good working condition and is safe for usage.



Cracks along the chimney. Cracks are considered defects and potential leak points.



The fireplace is a gas fireplace. There is no apparent electronic ignition. It is beyond the scope of a general home inspection to light fuel burning appliances. Doing so could cause property damage. Recommend a licensed chimney/fireplace professional further evaluate to make sure the fireplace is in good working condition and safe to use.

#### 2. Gutters





Need to be cleaned



The gutter system is dirty and needs to be cleaned. A dirty gutter system can cause excessive water to accumulate around the house, thus potentially causing water intrusion into the house or potential foundation problems due to excessive hydrostatic pressure. Also, a dirty gutter system can cause excessive water to flow along the siding which could allow water to get behind the siding. An active or intermittent water intrusion source can cause mold growth and property damage.

#### 3. Siding



#### Findings:

- Wood rot
- Cracks and holes in siding, loose/detached siding, gaps in siding and missing siding have the potential to allow water/moisture, insects, bats, mice, wood destroying insects, pests, and rodents into the framing of a house. The intrusion of water/moisture, insects, bats, mice, wood destroying insects, pests, and rodents has the potential to cause damage to a house, such as wood rot, mold, property damage and structural damage.
- Recommend general contractor further evaluate and make necessary repairs Observations:
- Wood rot damage along the siding.



Unconventional tape along the window.



Wood rot damage.



The house has stucco siding in some areas. Please note, stucco siding is prone to absorbing moisture. An active or intermittent water source can cause mold and property damage.



Holes along the siding.



Unconventional application of caulk along the siding. This is considered abnormal and amateur craftsmanship.



Hole along the siding.





Wood rot damage.



Wood rot damage.



Unconventional application of caulk along the brick. This is considered abnormal and amateur craftsmanship.

#### 4. Foundation/Slab

Findings:

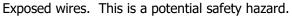


Limited visibility

#### 5. Exterior Electrical









Unconventional cables routed along the overhead garage door. This is considered abnormal and amateur craftsmanship.

#### 6. Wood Destroying Insect Damage/Treatment

Findings:

- None apparent
- · Limited visibility
- Finished walls/ceilings
- Cabinetry/shelving
- Furniture/stored items
- Cluttered condition
- Exterior siding
- Dense vegetation

## Garage

#### 1. Overhead Door(s)



## 2. Automatic Opener

Findings:



• Operable

#### 3. Safety Reverse





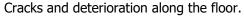
The photo eye sensors are too high. This is a potential safety hazard. The photo eye sensors should be between four and six inches from the floor.

#### 4. Floor/Slab











Cracks and deterioration along the floor.

## 5. Walls/Ceiling



## 6. Doors





Damage/dents along the door.



Wood rot damage along the service door.

## 7. Electrical





Open neutral receptacle.



Missing receptacle cover.

## Kitchen

## 1. General



Kitchen.

#### 2. Cabinets/Countertops

Findings:



**Marginal** 

- Discoloration
- Signs of previous water damage under sink

## 3. Sink/Faucet/Plumbing

Findings:

- Limited visibility underneath the sink
- Rust/corrosion



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes. This is underneath the sink in the living room.



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes/saddle valve. This is underneath the sink in the living room.



The handle for the cold water is inoperable. The handle will not move. The handle might move with excessive force.



Signs of previous water damage underneath the sink and a mold like substance. An active or intermittent water source can cause mold growth and property damage, such as wood rot damage.



The dishwasher drain line does not have a high loop. A high loop prevents drain water from flowing into the dishwasher and contaminating the clean dishes.



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes.



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Temperature reading of the hot water during the time of the inspection. The approximate temperature of the hot water was 124 degrees Fahrenheit.



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes.

#### 4. Walls/Ceiling

Findings:

Discoloration



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#### 5. Floor

Findings:

Marginal

Cracks



Cracked floor tiles.

#### 6. Doors





Torn weatherstrip along the door.

## 7. Windows





Aged windows.

#### 8. Electrical



Findings:
• Non GFCI protected receptacles



Non GFCI protected receptacles.



Exposed wires/unconventional wires sticking out from the wall. This is a potential safety hazard.

#### 9. Range



## 10. Exhaust Fan

- Findings:
   Operable
- Aged

#### 11. Dishwasher



#### 12. Dishwasher Drain Line Looped

Findings:

- No
- · Safety hazard

## 13. Refrigerator



## Laundry

#### 1. General



Laundry.

## 2. Dryer Exhaust

Findings:

Recommend cleaning ductwork

## 3. Receptacles/Lights



#### 4. Plumbing

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Findings:

Limited visibility

## 5. Dryer

Findings:
• Operable

## 6. Washing Machine

Findings:
• Operable

#### 7. Doors



#### 8. Windows





Aged windows.

## 9. Walls/Ceiling



## 10. Floor



## 11. Heating Source

Heating source observed: 
• Yes

#### 12. Laundry Sink

Findings:





Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes.

## Bedroom 1

## 1. General



Bedroom.

## 2. Walls/Ceiling



## 3. Floor



#### 4. Doors





The door rubs the frame during operation.

## 5. Windows

Findings:



• Inoperable



Inoperable window. The window might open with excessive force. Please note, a properly functioning window should be able to easily open.

#### 6. Electrical



### 7. Heating Source

Heating source observed:

• Yes

## Bedroom 2

## 1. General



Bedroom.

## 2. Walls/Ceiling

Findings:

Discoloration





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#### 3. Floor



#### 4. Doors





The door rubs the frame during operation.

## 5. Windows





Aged windows.

## 6. Electrical





Unconventional tape along the switch and the cover is cracked.

## 7. Heating Source

Heating source observed:
• Yes

## Bedroom 3

## 1. General



Bedroom.

## 2. Walls/Ceiling



#### 3. Floor



## 4. Ceiling Fan



#### 5. Doors



Findings:
• Aged rear entry door

#### 6. Windows





Aged windows.

#### 7. Electrical





Unconventional tape along the switch. This is considered abnormal and amateur craftsmanship.

### 8. Heating Source

Heating source observed: • Yes

## Bathroom 1

## 1. General



Bathroom.

## 2. Sinks/Plumbing



Findings:
• Rust/corrosion



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes.

## 3. Toilet



## 4. Walls/Ceiling



#### 5. Floor



#### 6. Doors



#### 7. Electrical



Findings:

Open ground/neutral



Open ground receptacles

## 8. Exhaust Fan

Findings:

- Operable
- Noisy

#### 9. Heating Source

Heating source observed:

- No
- None visible

## Bathroom 2

## 1. General



Bathroom.

## 2. Sinks/Plumbing





Findings:
• Rust/corrosion



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes.

#### 3. Shower/Bathtub





The faucet/handle leaks during operation. This can cause water to leak behind the shower/bath wall. An active or intermittent water source can cause property damage and mold growth.



The bathtub faucet leaks while the showerhead is in operation. This is considered a defect. A properly functioning diverter will not allow any water through the bathtub faucet while the showerhead is in operation.



The cold handle is stuck, therefore, making it inoperable. It might move with excessive force.

#### 4. Toilet



#### 5. Walls/Ceiling





Discoloration



Discoloration along the ceiling and signs of previous water damage. An active or intermittent water source can cause mold growth and property damage.

## 6. Floor



#### 7. Doors



#### 8. Windows





Aged window.

## 9. Electrical



#### 10. Exhaust Fan

Findings:
• Operable

- Noisy

#### 11. Heating Source

Heating source observed:
• Yes

## Bathroom 3

## 1. General



Bathroom.

#### 2. Sinks/Plumbing

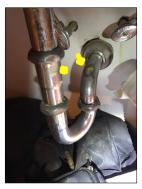
Findings:



- Limited visibility underneath the sink
- Rust/corrosion



Rust/corrosion along the plumbing pipes.



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The faucet leaks during operation. A leaking faucet has the potential to leak underneath the sink. An active or intermittent water source can cause property damage and mold growth.

#### 3. Shower/Bathtub





The drain is missing a grate/screen.
The lack of a grate/screen over the drain can allow debris down the drain, thus potentially creating slow drainage or blockage.



Chips along the bathtub. Chips are considered defects and are potential leak points.



The faucet/handle leaks during operation. This can cause water to leak behind the shower/bath wall. An active or intermittent water source can cause property damage and mold growth.



The drain is noisy when the other shower is in operation. This is considered abnormal.

#### 4. Toilet





The bidet toilet is loose. The toilet rocks from side to side. A toilet should not have any movement and be fully anchored and secured to the floor.

#### 5. Walls/Ceiling

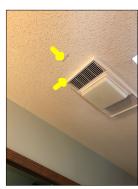
Findings:



Discoloration



Discoloration along the ceiling and signs of previous water damage. An active or intermittent water source can cause mold growth and property damage.



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#### 6. Floor



#### 7. Doors





The pocket door is difficult to operate.



Inoperable door. The door might move with excessive force.

#### 8. Windows





Aged window.

#### 9. Electrical



Findings:

GFCI protected receptacles

## 10. Exhaust Fan

Findings:

Operable

#### 11. Heating Source

Heating source observed:

• Yes

## Living Room

#### 1. General



Living room.

#### 2. Walls/Ceiling



#### 3. Floor



## 4. Ceiling Fan



#### 5. Electrical





Non GFCI protected receptacles.

## 6. Heating Source

Heating source observed:
• Yes

## **Dining Room**

## 1. General



Dining room.

#### 2. Walls/Ceiling



#### 3. Floor



#### 4. Windows





• Inoperable



Inoperable window. The window might open with excessive force. Please note, a properly functioning window should be able to easily open.

#### 5. Electrical





The light is inoperable. The wall switch appears to be inoperable.

## 6. Heating Source

Heating source observed:
• Yes

## Sunroom

## 1. General



Sunroom.

## 2. Walls/Ceiling



#### 3. Floor



## 4. Ceiling Fan

Findings:



- Noisy
- Shakes during operation

#### 5. Doors





Findings:
• Aged sliding doors

#### 6. Windows





Findings: • Inoperable



Inoperable window. The window might open with excessive force. Please note, a properly functioning window should be able to easily open.

## 7. Electrical



## 8. Heating Source

Heating source observed:
• Yes

## Foyer

## 1. General



Foyer.

## 2. Walls/Ceiling



#### 3. Floor



#### 4. Doors





The door rubs the frame during operation.

#### 5. Windows





Inoperable window.

#### 6. Electrical



## 7. Heating Source

Heating source observed:

Yes

## Attic/Structure/Framing/Insulation

#### 1. Access

Accessibility:

- Restricted access
- The attic had limited access due to lack of floor decking. Visibility was limited.

## 2. Insulation Type

Findings:

- The approximate depth of the insulation is 6+ inches
- Batts
- Fiberglass
- Cellulose
- Loose

## 3. Insulation



Findings:

- Displaced insulation
- Signs of rodent droppings
- Signs of nesting
- · Signs of wildlife activity
- Debris within the insulation



Displaced insulation. Displaced insulation is considered abnormal and a defect.



Mice/rodent tracks along the insulation. Mice/rodent droppings. Wildlife activity Wildlife activity can cause property can cause property damage.





Signs of nesting within the attic. Wildlife activity can cause property damage.

## 4. Ventilation

Findings:



Ventilation appears adequate

## 5. Exhaust Fans/Exhaust Ductwork

Findings:



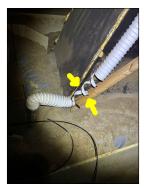
• Fans exhaust into the attic



The exhaust ductwork lacks insulation. It is recommended for exhaust ductwork to be insulated in non climate controlled areas, such as an attic. The lack of insulation can cause condensation to form along the ductwork. An active or intermittent water source can cause mold growth and property damage.



The bathroom exhaust fan vents into the attic. This is not a recommended practice. Exhaust fans venting into the attic can cause mold growth. An active or intermittent water source can cause mold growth. Exhaust fans should vent growth. An active or intermittent water to the exterior. Exhaust fans should have their own termination and not share a termination with an attic vent, such as a roof vent or soffit. Also, the ductwork for the fan should be properly insulated so condensation does not form along it, thus potentially causing mold growth.



Deterioration along the ductwork, thus causing the bathroom exhaust fan to vent into the attic. This is not a recommended practice. Exhaust fans venting into the attic can cause mold source can cause mold growth. Exhaust fans should vent to the exterior. Exhaust fans should have their own termination and not share a termination with an attic vent, such as a roof vent or soffit. Also, the ductwork for the fan should be properly insulated so condensation does not form along it, thus potentially causing mold growth.



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### 6. Sheathing/Framing



Findings:

- Limited visibility
- Discoloration



Areas of replaced sheathing. This is an indication that the original sheathing was defective. Normally, due to an intermittent or active water source.



Discoloration along the sheathing. An active or intermittent water source can cause discoloration, mold growth and property damage. This is adjacent to the chimney. No moisture detected in this area on the day of the inspection.



Discoloration along the sheathing. An active or intermittent water source can cause discoloration, mold growth and property damage.



General photo of the attic.



Aged window.



Debris and clutter within the attic. Visibility and accessibility were limited.



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Debris and clutter within the attic. Visibility and accessibility were limited.



The flue is against the sheathing. This is a potential safety hazard. There should be at minimum a 1 inch clearance around the flue from all combustible materials. Wood is a combustible material.

## 7. Electrical





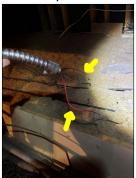
The heating element is inoperable.



Exposed wires. This is a potential safety hazard.



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## **Interior**

## 1. Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Safety Tip:
• FamilyGuard recommends at minimum, a smoke detector be present in all bedrooms and an additional detector outside each sleeping location. Also, FamilyGuard recommends a carbon monoxide detector and smoke detector be present on each living level, including habitable attics and basements.

#### 2. Additional Information

Additional Information:

 FamilyGuard always recommends performing a radon test and mold air quality test before purchasing a home.

Radon is a colorless, odorless, tasteless, and chemically inert radioactive gas. It is formed by the natural radioactive decay of uranium in rock, soil, and water. It can be found in all 50 states. Radon is the number one cause of lung cancer for non-smokers. Testing for radon is the only way of knowing how much radon is present in the house.

Mold is a living organism. Mold grows wherever it gets enough moisture/water to grow. An active or intermittent water source, such as a leaking plumbing pipe, water intrusion from the exterior, foundation leaks, or high levels of humidity can cause mold growth. Mold eats the material it grows on. Mold has the potential to cause property damage, such as wood rot or structural damage. In addition, mold spores can be released into the air and can cause respiratory problems, coughing, headaches, eye irritation, skin irritation and other health issues for those dwelling in the house. Performing a mold air quality test is the only way to know if mold levels are abnormal in the house. A mold air quality test can also sometimes help identify concealed surface mold, such as mold hidden behind drywall and insulation.

If you did not already and want a radon test or a mold air quality test, contact FamilyGuard at your earliest convenience. Please note - testing for radon and mold are additional expenses and are not covered in a general home inspection.

### 3. Additional Services

Radon Test/Mold Test:

- Radon test no
- Mold test no

#### 4. Additional Information

Observations:

- The windows throughout the house are aged and are towards the end of their life expectancy. Window repairs and potential replacement of windows should be anticipated.
- Several areas of discoloration and previous water stains along the ceilings throughout the house. Please review entire report for photos.

## Cooling System

#### 1. Cooling System Information

Findings:

- Brand/Rheem
- The approximate manufacture date is 2016

### 2. Refrigerant Type

Findings:

• R410

## 3. Cooling System



Marginal

- The temperature drop for the air conditioning was approximately 11 degrees Fahrenheit.
- Needs cleaning/serviced
- · No current service record
- Service recommended



Condenser.



The insulation to the suction line is torn/missing. The insulation on the suction line is important so the refrigerant in the line does not absorb additional heat. The hotter the refrigerant, the harder the condenser has to work, thus shortening the life of the condenser.



Condenser data plate.



the air conditioner was in operation. The approximate temperature of the supply air was 61 degrees Fahrenheit.



The photo identifies the temperature of the supply air while The photo identifies the temperature of the return air while the air conditioner was in operation. The approximate temperature of the return air was 72 degrees Fahrenheit.

## **Heating System**

## 1. Heating General Information

Brand/Approximate Age:

- Brand/Rheem
- The approximate manufacture date is 2016

Heat Exchanger:

- Sealed
- Not visible

#### 2. Energy Source

Type:

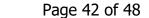
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## 3. Heating System

Marginal



- The temperature rise for the furnace was approximately 25 degrees Fahrenheit.
- · No current service record
- Service recommended
- Please note, there is no indication that the furnace or air conditioning has experienced annual routine preventative maintenance. It is recommended that appliances have annual maintenance to prolong the life of the appliance, ensure the appliances are operating at optimal performance, keep warranties valid and help avoid unexpected/costly repairs.





Furnace.



Furnace data plate.



Exposed wires and the conduit is damaged. The metal edge of the conduit could damage the wires, thus potentially causing spark, arcing, and/or fire.



The photo identifies the temperature of the supply air while the furnace was in operation. The approximate temperature of the supply air was 111 degrees Fahrenheit.

The photo identifies the temperature of the return air while the furnace was in operation. The approximate temperature of the return air was 86 degrees Fahrenheit.



## Plumbing

## 1. Main Water Shut-Off Valve

Location:

• Garage



Apparent main water shut-off valve.

### 2. Main Fuel Shut-Off Valve

Location:

• Exterior



Main fuel shut off valve.

### 3. Visible Water Distribution Plumbing

Materials:

- Copper
- Polybutylene

## 4. Visible Drain/Vent Plumbing

Materials:

- PVC
- Brass

### 5. Condition Of Water Supply/Drain/Vents Plumbing

Findings:

- Marginal
- Limited visibility
- Rust/Corrosion
- Hot water present



Polybutylene plumbing lines. Polybutylene pipes are prone to failure and no longer meet modern day plumbing standards. Recommend upgrading from polybutylene pipes to modern day plumbing materials, such as PEX or copper. Please note, polybutylene pipes can be concealed behind walls, ceilings, etc. This is located underneath the sink in the garage.

#### 6. Visible Fuel Lines

Materials:

Black iron

#### 7. Condition Of Fuel Lines



#### 8. Water Quality Test

Water quality test:

• No

## Water Heater

## 1. Water Heater General Information

Brand/Approximate Age:

- Brand/AO Smith
- The approximate manufacture date is 2009

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#### 2. Water Heater





Water heater.



Water heater data plate.



The temperature and pressure relief valve extension has bends along it and is not straight. Temperature and pressure relief valves should be straight and within 6 inches of the floor The lack of a proper extension is a potential safety hazard.



Improper flue. There should be a minimum of twelve inches between the draft hood outlet and the first elbow or connector. The current design of the flue is a potential safety hazard as it could cause the flue to backdraft and release carbon monoxide into the house.

## **Electrical**

### 1. General Information

Location of panels:

- Interior
- Voltage/Amperage:
   120/240 volts
- 200 amps

#### 2. Branch Wire

Type:
• Copper

#### 3. Electrical





Main circuit breaker.



Mice/rodent droppings within the electrical panel. Wildlife activity can cause property damage.



The circuit breaker panel is an aged Bryant circuit breaker panel. Aged circuit breaker panels can become a potential safety hazard due to being old. It is recommended that aged circuit breaker panels be replaced and upgraded to a meet current day standards. The manufacturer Bryant no longer exist. Finding replacement circuit breakers and other replacement parts to the panel might be difficult.



Inadequate clearance around the circuit breaker panel. The lack of proper clearance is a potential safety hazard. Circuit breaker panels should have at minimum, 3 feet depth measured from front edge of the panel, 30 inches minimum width or width of equipment if > 30 inches, working space height of 6 feet, 6 inches or height of equipment, whichever is greater. Required working space must extend to the ground, panel door must be operable to at least 90 degrees.



Double tapped neutral wires. Neutral wires should not share a terminal with any other wires, including ground wires. Double tapped neutrals are considered a safety hazard. Double tapped neutral wires do not allow the circuit to be isolated if the circuit needs to be worked on. Also, double tapped neutral wires under the same terminal can become loose, which could lead to arcing, overheating, spark and/or fire.



Electrical panel/circuit breaker manufacturer mismatch within the circuit breaker panel. The defect is because not all busbars are the same size and have the same dimensions. A circuit breaker from another manufacturer might not properly fit the busbar, thus creating a poor/loose connection.



Missing receptacle cover.



An active or intermittent water source can cause rust and corrosion. Rusted/corroded terminals and connections increase resistance in the circuit that can cause overheating, thus circuit that can cause overheating, thus causing arcing, spark and/or fire. Some areas of rust and corrosion may not be visible and could be concealed behind breakers, wires, etc.



Missing screws.



Rust and corrosion within the circuit breaker panel. This is considered abnormal and a potential safety hazard. Rust and corrosion within the circuit breaker panel. This is considered abnormal and a potential safety hazard. An active or intermittent water source can cause rust and corrosion. Rusted/corroded terminals and connections increase resistance in the causing arcing, spark and/or fire. Some areas of rust and corrosion may not be visible and could be concealed behind breakers, wires, etc.

# Glossary

Term	Definition
Cellulose	Cellulose insulation: Ground-up newspaper that is treated with fire-retardant.
GFCI	A special device that is intended for the protection of personnel by de-energizing a circuit, capable of opening the circuit when even a small amount of current is flowing through the grounding system.
PVC	Polyvinyl chloride, which is used in the manufacture of white plastic pipe typically used for water supply lines.