# Home Inspection Checklist

Print this checklist and take it with you when you’re taking a close look at a home before making an offer on it. Use it to record your observations and note defects. This checklist is for informational purposes only and is not a replacement for the services of a qualified inspector.

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Address | [Home Address] | | Listing agent’s name & phone number |  | | Listing agent’s e-mail address |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Price |  | Taxes |  | School district |  |  |  | | Lot size (sq. feet) |  | Lot dimensions |  | No. of floors |  |  |  | | House size (sq. feet) |  | No. of bedrooms |  | No. of bathrooms |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | House style and color |  |  |  | | House faces | north  south  east  west |  |  | | Daytime street traffic | Yes  No | Nighttime street traffic | Yes  No | | Air traffic | Yes  No | Train traffic | Yes  No | | Sidewalks | Yes  No | Nearby playgrounds |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Children nearby |  | | Pets nearby |  | |

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| |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Proximity to schools |  | Proximity to shopping |  | | Maintenance records available | Yes  No | Location on the block |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Age and condition of electrical |  | | Age and condition of plumbing |  | | Age and condition of heating |  | | Age and condition of air conditioning |  | | Landscaping features | Garden |  | | Architectural features |  | | Condition of neighboring houses |  | | Why seller wants to sell |  | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Exterior |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Front door |  | | Front screen door |  | | Back door |  | | Back screen door |  | | Screen and storm windows |  | | Glass and frames |  | | Siding/brick, etc. |  | | Mailbox |  | | Doorbell |  | | House number |  | | Garbage container |  | | Recycling containers |  | | Paint and trim |  | | Patios and decks |  | | Roof and flashing |  | | Chimney |  | | Gutters |  | | Eaves |  | | Driveway |  | | Shed |  | |  |  | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Exterior |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Garage |  | | Outdoor lighting |  | | Parking |  | | Drainage |  | | Retaining wall |  | | Soil movement |  | | Yard |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Dining Room |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Windows |  | | Carpet or floor |  | | Walls |  | | Ceiling |  | | Lights and switches |  | | Outlets |  | | Baseboards |  | | Trim |  | |  |  | |  |  | |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Kitchen |  | | **FEATURE** | **CONDITION** | | Windows |  | | Floor |  | | Walls |  | | Ceiling |  | | Lights and switches |  | | Outlets |  | | Stove |  | | Refrigerator |  | | Sink |  | | Cabinets and counter |  | | Baseboards |  | | Trim |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Living Room |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Door |  | | Windows |  | | Carpet or floor |  | | Walls |  | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Living Room |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Windows |  | | Carpet or floor |  | | Walls |  | | Ceiling |  | | Outlets, including cable outlet |  | | Lights and switches |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Hallway and Stairwell |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Floor |  | | Walls |  | | Ceiling |  | | Lights and switches |  | | Outlets |  | | Baseboards |  | | Trim |  | | Stair treads |  | | Stair structure |  | | Landing and handrail |  | |  |  | |

Bedrooms **CONDITION**

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| FEATURE | Bedroom 1 | Bedroom 2 | Bedroom 3 | Bedroom 4 |
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| Carpet or floor |  |  |  |  |
| Walls |  |  |  |  |
| Ceiling |  |  |  |  |
| Lights and switches |  |  |  |  |
| Outlets |  |  |  |  |
| Closet |  |  |  |  |
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Bathrooms **CONDITION**

| FEATURE | Bathroom 1 | Bathroom 2 | Bathroom 3 | Bathroom 4 |
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| Door |  |  |  |  |
| Window |  |  |  |  |
| Floor |  |  |  |  |
| Walls |  |  |  |  |
| Ceiling |  |  |  |  |
| Sink |  |  |  |  |
| Tub/shower |  |  |  |  |
| Toilet |  |  |  |  |
| Cabinet, shelves, closet |  |  |  |  |
| Towel bars |  |  |  |  |
| Lights and switches |  |  |  |  |
| Outlets |  |  |  |  |
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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Hot Water Heater |  | | FEATURE | CONDITION | | Properly strapped |  | | Reasonable temperature |  | | Pressure control |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Heating and Cooling | | | **FEATURE** | **CONDITION** | | Furnace |  | | Air conditioning |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  | |  |  | | --- | --- | | Furniture |  | | ****FEATURE**** | ****CONDITION**** | | Kitchen chairs |  | | Tables |  | | End tables |  | | Lounge chairs |  | | Couches |  | | Lamps |  | | Desks |  | | Desk chairs |  | | Bookshelves |  | | Beds |  | | Mattresses |  | | Dressers |  | |  |  | |  |  | |