



Border
Home Inspections
"Inspected Once, Inspected Right."

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Q: What is a home inspection and why should I bother having my home inspected?

A: Lets first look at what a home inspection is not.

A home inspection is not a home warranty. It is not even an exhaustive look at every aspect of the home. Nor does it entail destructive testing of the home to search for defects in walls for example.

Well, what then does the inspector do? As an independent inspector I can only answer this question for my company.

To be considered successful in this industry the inspector must be well trained and have ample experience to be able to find out as much about a home as is practically possible in the little time available to complete the inspection. They must be able to complete the following things in order for the inspection to be successful.

First of all the inspector must be thorough in the search of major defects within the home. The inspector should abide by a standard of practice, which sets out what should and shouldn't be inspected. He must take the required time to look at all the clues presented and establish the probable condition of each of the systems of the home.

Secondly the inspector must present a professional report and decide what should be mentioned in the report. Speaking for Border Home Inspections I have included a maintenance section in my reports, which deal with non-structural, issues that the homeowner should repair soon so as to avoid larger repair bills in the future. This section goes beyond the required structural reporting requirement but is essential to most homeowners. Finally the inspector must be available to answer the clients questions long after the inspection is complete. I tell my clients to feel free to call me anytime they have a question related to their home. This way you can be assured the inspector is concerned about your home and your needs.

Finally the inspector must understand how a home is supposed to work. Thats right, work. Every home is comprised of several systems, which must function as a unit to keep the home strong and healthy. Watch this space every month for homeowner tips on how you can make your house a happy healthy place to live.

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