

# **iSPECT**

**New Building Inspection Report - Frame Stage** 

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## 1. Description of property

## Brief description of the building and other structures on the property:

**Dwelling Type:** Domestic Freestanding House

**Dwelling Additions:** Attached Garage

Stage Type:

Piers: Concrete

Main Construction: Brick Veneer

Footing Type: Concrete Slab

Image of property:



e a chitectural plans or structural engineering plans provided at inspection?

## Weather at time of inspection?

Fine



2. Definitions	
Definition of terms used	to describe the current state of repair for each item inspected
Condition Visually Fine:	When the Inspector has viewed the subject area and sees no major defect, and sees no safety hazard.
Minor and/or Major Defect	Any defect observed to the property in accordance with the Standards and Tolerances where applicable, where repair works must be carried out. Repairs should be carried out a suitably qualified or licenced trades person.
Incomplete Item	Any item that is deemed incomplete at the time of the inspection, but not defined defect at that time.
Unable to Inspect Due to Access	An area of the site where there is insufficient, unsafe or unrease able access.
Not Applicable (N/A):	When the subject field doesn't make up any part of the inspe
Report Definition	
Shower Recesses:	Tests may be made on shower recesses to detect leads (water is connected). The tests may not reveal leaks or show incorrect waterproofing if shown liquid or masonry sealant has been applied prior to the inspection. Show application is imporary waterproofing measure and may last for some months before reaking fown. They stist of shower recesses are limited to running water within the recesses of visually checking for leaks. As shower are only checked for a short period of time, purposed us may reveal leaks were not detected at the time of inspection. No recessor of a content task during inspection does not necessarily mean that the glower does not lead.
Glass Caution:	Glazing in some building (b. ore 1976) may not necessarily comply with current glass safety standards AS1288. In the terests of safety, glass panes in doors and windows especially in high traffic areas should be replaced with safety glass of have shatterproof film installed.
Stairs & Balustrades:	The Australian Building Code 3.9 require that covering stairs, landings and balustrades ensure the after a all occupants and visitors to a building. Those built prior to 1996 may not comply which curries standard. You must upgrade all such items.
Swimming Pools:	Act of is subject to aspecial purpose property report and is not applicable to this report.
Rooms Below Ground Level	loms by the house or below ground level (whether they be habitable or not) may be ubject to dampness and water penetration. Drains are not always installed correctly to these areas or could be blocked. It is common to have damp problems and water entry into these spaces, especially during periods of heavy rainfall and may not be evident on the day of the visual inspection. These rooms may also not have council approval. The purchaser hould make their own enquiries to Council to ascertain if approval was granted.
Owners Corporation	If the property is covered by an Owners Corporation (Strata Title) APBI recommend that an Owners Corporation search be conducted to ascertain their financial position, the level of maintenance afforded and any other relevant information that may impact your future ownership of the property.



### 3. Inspection Agreement

#### **Requirement for inspection agreement**

AS 4349.1 - 2007 requires that an inspection agreement be entered into between the inspector & the client prior to the conduct of the inspection. This agreement sets out specific limitations on the scope of the inspection and on limits that apply in carrying it out. Where specific State or Territory requirements apply in addition to the scope of work in this agreement, or where the inspector and client agree to additional matters being covered, that additional scope is listed at the end of this agreement. It is assumed that the existing use of the building will continue.

AS 4349.1 - 2007 requires that the basis for comparison is a building of similar age and similar type to the subject building ag which is in reasonable condition, having been adequately maintained over the life of the building. This means that building inspected may not comply with Australian Standards, building regulations or specific state or territory requirements app the time of the inspection.

#### **Purpose of inspection**

The purpose of the inspection is to provide advice regarding the condition of the property at the time of the in

#### Reasonable Access to the property at time of inspection?

Note: No

Second storey access not present, no void access and no v d protection unsafe access, scaffold access not in line with the bal over a h a meter and above a meter leap to access.

Areas where reasonable entry is denied to the inspector or where reasonable acq able are excluded from and do not s is r ecurity system, pets, furniture or cked doo form part of the inspection. Access limitations may include legal right of entry other obstructions. Physical access limitations may include height, narrow ndary thick vegetation, small roof or earan crawl space and adverse weather conditions. The report shall identify any within the scope of the inspection that ka or it was not inspected and the factor that prevented inspection.

The extent of accessible areas shall be determined by the inspector a based on the conditions time nspecti encountered at that time. The inspection shall include only access are within the inspector's line of sight and close enough to enable reasonable appraisal.

Reasonable access includes a prerequisite that the minimum rified in the table below are safely available. rance Dimensions for reasonable access:

- Roof Interior: 400mm x 500mm access hole; 600mm x 600mm cra pace; and accessible from a 3.6m ladder;
- Roof exterior: 400mm x 500mm access hole; 600 x 600mm craw ace; and accessible from a 3.6m ladder placed on the ground Supplementary notes:

- or the removal of screws and bolts or any other fastenings or Reasonable access does not include the cutting sealants to access covers.
- Sub-floor areas sprayed with chemicals are not be ed unless it is safe to do so.

#### **Conditions**

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- recent occupancy and use of services that might affect observations. Prevailing weather ndi
- ent or agents of the client. Information provi v th
- Deliberate conceal f dei
- niting the inspection. Any other relevant fa

#### Scope of in. ect.

#### eporte n, general exclusions detailed in AS 4349.1 - 2007

- Pa that are under construction;
- ection is not intended to include rigorous assessment of all building elements in a property; The
- that would only be apparent under particular weather conditions or when using particular fittings & fixtures; ot apparent due to occupancy or occupancy behaviour e.g. non-use of a leaking shower;
- ection report is not a certificate of compliance of the property within the requirements of any Act, regulation, te, local law or by-law and is not a warranty against problems developing with the building in the future;
- uthorized building work or of work not compliant with building regulations; file and ownership matters, matters concerning easements, covenants, restrictions, zoning certificates and all other lawrelated matters:
- Estimation of the cost of rectification of specific defects.

#### What is not reported on, specific exclusions detailed in AS 4349.1 - 2007

- · Footings below ground, concealed damp-proof course, electrical installations, operation of smoke detectors, light switches and fittings, TV, sound and communication and security systems, concealed plumbing, adequacy of roof drainage as installed, gas fittings and fixtures, air conditioning, automatic garage door mechanisms, swimming pools and associated filtration and similar equipment;
- · The operation of fireplaces and solid fuel heaters, including chimneys and flues, alarm systems, intercom systems, soft floor coverings, electrical appliances including dishwashers, incinerators, ovens, ducted vacuum systems, paint coatings except



external protective coatings, health hazards e.g., allergies, soil toxicity, lead content, radon, presence of asbestos or urea formaldehyde), timber and metal framing sizes and adequacy, concealed tie downs and bracing, timber pest activity, other mechanical or electrical equipment (such as gates, inclinators);

• Soil conditions, control joints, sustainable development provisions, concealed framing-timbers or any areas concealed by wall linings or sidings, landscaping, rubbish, floor cover, furniture and accessories, stored items, insulation, environmental matters e.g. BASIX, water tanks, BCA environmental provisions, energy efficiency, lighting efficiency.

#### What is reported on

The inspection includes subjective appraisal by an inspector competent to assess the condition of residential buildings. It involves a subjective assessment so different inspectors or even the same inspector on a different occasion may reach different

The inspection comprises a visual assessment of the property to identify major defects and to form an opinion regarding t general condition of the property at the time of inspection. The following areas shall be inspected where applicable:

- The interior of the building: ceilings; walls; floors; windows; doors & frames; kitchen; bathroom; WC; ensuite; laundow; stairs &
- The exterior of the building: walls (including lintels, claddings, doors & windows); timber or steel frames & chimneys; stairs; balconies, verandas, patios, decks, suspended concrete floors, balustrades;
  The roof exterior: roof (including tiles, shingles & slates, roof sheeting, gables, flashings); skylights, vents, flashings
- guttering; downpipes; eaves, fascia's and barges;
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- The roof space: roof covering; roof framing; sarking; party walls; insulation;
  The sub-floor space: timber floor (including supports, floor, ventilation, drainage, damp); suspe
  The property within 30m of the house and within the boundaries of the site: car accommodation. ndry, ablution 0mm high); detached la facilities and garden sheds; retaining walls (where supporting other structures and landscaping re ning walls > paths & driveways; steps; fencing (general & swimming pool); surface water (drainage effective



#### 4. Terms & Conditions

#### **APBI Terms & Conditions**

#### General

- 1. Australian Property and Building Inspections (APBI) has prepared this report in accordance with the guidelines of **Australian Standard 4349.0 2007 Inspection of Buildings Part 0: General requirements** (the Standard) which covers the minimum requirements for the visual inspection of buildings and based on the inspection of the property by the Inspector named in the building inspection report.
- 2. This Standard is used for any of the following inspection purposes:
  - · Building Defect
  - Commercial Building
  - Building Dilapidation
- 3.The Report is prepared for the sole and exclusive use of the Client (person, persons or body) named in Confirmation and cannot be used or acted upon by any other party without the express permission APBI.
- 4. The Terms and Conditions are available on the website: www.apbi.com.au and can change with at notice.
- 5. The Client, having been provided with the opportunity to read these Terms and Condition Wow the making of a booking and a payment for an inspection, accepts these Terms and Conditions.
- 6. The Client acknowledges that these Terms and Conditions take precedence over any stal or atten representations made by APBI or the Inspector, to the extent of any inconsistency.
- 7. A report prepared in accordance with the Standard is not a certificate of compliance of the poerty within the requirements of any Act, regulation, ordinance, local law or by-law, or as a warranty or an intrance solicy against problems developing with the building in the future.

#### The Inspection

- 8. All inspections will be a non-invasive visual inspection and to be limited to those areas and sections of the property to which Reasonable Access (see below) is both available and permitted to the later and the of Inspection.
- 9. The inspection is undertaken, and the Report prepared, by the Inspector on the assumption that the existing use of the Inspected Property will continue. As such, the Inspector will not assess the fitness of the Inspected Property for any other intended purpose. We advise you to verify any prepased change in use of the Inspected Property with the relevant authorities.
- 10. The Inspected Property shall be compared which a brading that was constructed in accordance with the generally accepted practice at the time of construction and which has brading maintained such that there has been no significant loss of strength and serviceability.

#### **Reasonable Access**

- 11. The Standard provides that sale and reconably access" shall be determined by the inspector at the time of the inspection, based on the conditions engantered at the transfer inspection. An inspector shall only inspect areas where safe, unobstructed access is provided and when the minimum clearances are available or, where these clearances are not available, areas within the inspector's unobstructed line is size and close enough to enable reasonable appraisal.
- 12. Minimum clearance is a define has at least 600mm vertical and horizontal clearance for roof space and sub floor area access. The interior and exterior on boust is accessible from a 3.6 metre high ladder for reasonable access to be available.
- 13. Reasonable access include removing screws and bolts to access covers. Nor does reasonable access include cutting or making access trapers to bying furniture or stored goods.

  Limitations
- 14. Measses sent or contification is made of asbestos or asbestos related products, toxic mould, Methamphetamine or other harmine substant. Asbestos dust is a hazardous material and should not be disturbed. It is vital that asbestos is not sawn, sanded the ed or water blasted, etc. For more information about the handling and disposing of asbestos contact your local council.
- ins ection does not assess the operation of appliances, alarms, security and communication systems, smoke detectors, heating and cooling systems, blinds (internal and external), soft furnishings, telephones, spa and pool equipment, building autoration, electrically operated doors, plant and equipment. Any item not specifically noted in this Report is excluded from the inspected Property. We suggest that a licensed tradesperson be contacted for a separate report in respect of gas or electrical appliance and fittings.
- 16.No item of furniture or fixtures will be removed, moved or modified during the inspection and items and conditions covered by such furnishings and fixtures are not inspected or considered. Nor do we assess the condition of conspicuous, non-structural items such as carpets, vinyl floor coverings etc.
- 17. The Inspector can only make comment about the general, visible condition of electrical wiring and plumbing. We suggest that a licensed tradesperson be contacted for a separate report.

#### **The Inspection Report**



- 18. The Report must be read carefully and, in its entirety, to gain a complete understanding of the findings of the inspection of the Inspected Property. It will help you understand the limitations faced by an inspector and why it is not possible to guarantee that a property is completely free of defects.
- 19. This Report describes the visual assessment of the Inspected Property including: the relevant features of the Inspected Property within 30m of the building and within the boundaries of the site, the prevailing structural, soil and weather conditions at the date and time of the inspection.
- 20. The Report is a subjective assessment of the Inspected Property and therefore outlines the opinion of the Inspector on the general condition of the Inspected Property at the date and time of the inspection in relation to major defects or safety hazards and a general advice on minor defect items.
- 21. The Report does not cover any part of the building located beneath the ground surface or identify any unauthorised building work or of work not compliant with building regulations.
- 22. An estimate of the costs of rectification of defects is not required in accordance with the Standard.
- 23. Any maintenance and general advice items are intended as a helpful guide. The Report is not an exhaustive of all maintenance and advice items.
- 24. The Report provides no guarantee and is not a warranty against problems developing with the Inspected Prop. (in the future
- 25. This Report is not a rigorous assessment of all building elements and does not cover all mainter ince items. It is Report also does not cover defects in inaccessible areas, defects that are not reasonably visible, defects that in a violety only be applient in certain weather conditions or defects that have not yet arisen due to prolonged periods of wet or downeather conditions or other subsequent.
- 26. This Inspection Report does not identify the presence of timber pests, or any damper caused by timber pests (e.g. termites, borers, etc.). If you wish to include this, you will need to request a Timber Pest inspection report. If there is a concern regarding other types of pests then a fully qualified Pest Controller should be contacted.

#### Other matters

- 27. You should address legal and conveyancing matters such as title and own to your plicitor or legal representative. Compliance issues in relation to the positioning of services, privacy the account the siding of the buildings, zoning, permit or town planning issues or other legal matters should be directed to the relation that it is not a solicitor or legal representative.
- 28. Unless otherwise notified, Australian Property & Building In section and the vendor purchased reports available to prospective buyers. Please advise within 48 hours of receipt of the confit if, as a vendor, you do not wish this report to be made available to prospective purchasers of the property.



#### 5. Sub Floor/Slab **Condition Visually Minor and/or Major** Unable to Inspect Due **Not Applicable** Incomplete Item Fine **Defect** to Access (N/A) ₫ Slab **Floor Height Stumps Bearers Joists** Clearance Ant Capping for brick piers/termite protection for slabs ₫ **Subfloor Ventilation Footings** V

**Sub Floor/Slab inspection** 

Minor and/or Major Defect

Ant Cappi piers/te nite protection for slabs

#### **Comments**

Visible termite protection presenting damaged such as rea sliding g

Majority not visible due to no access and concealed with He











Sub Floor/Slab inspection

Unable to Inspect Due to Access

Slab

#### Comments

Slab impacted with visibility issues due to stored items and site conditions.

First floor compressed cement sheets in wet areas not hole saw cut and damaged and chipped flooring present.



















6. Walls and Structural Beams						
	Condition Visually Fine	Minor and/or Major Defect	Incomplete Item	Unable to Inspect Due to Access	Not Applicable (N/A)	
Setout	₫					
Walls		₫				
Windows			₫			
Door Openings	₫					
Plumb	₫					
Support Points		<b>d</b>				
Lintels					Ø	
Beams		Ø		О		
Joists		Ø				
Brackets Fixings		Ø				
Bracing		Ø				
Flashing		Ø				
Plumbing						
Electrical			M			
Tie Down Straps		Ø				
Weep Holes					đ	
Cavity Columns			<u> </u>			



Minor and/or Major Defect

Walls

#### **Comments**

Missing stud under window present left handside ground floor.

External corners adjoining two walls in multiple locations not blocked and won't work to join plasterboard or have it installed without cracking, needs to be blocked.

Multiple locations such as front porch left hand side and garage frames overhang the slab more than 10mm, maxidum compliance is frame on slab can't exceed 10mm overhang, refer to the engineer for formal rectification scope and builde to apply with evidence.

Blocking/connection between frames/studs such as upper left hand side missing.

Internal frame straightening not yet completed.

Balcony left side framed pier overhanging and loose not foxed of.

Plumbing sitting outside of frames, not framed or finished of.





































**Incomplete Item** 

Windows

#### Comments

Not yet fixed of throughout.

All sliding doors to have alcor detail applied to the underside of the sliding door frames throughout.













Minor and/or Major Defect

**Support Points** 

#### Comments

Multiple beams mounted on steel posts with double bolt plates to the base plate only has single bolt installed, requires minimum two bolts installed.

Steel beam to be welded on all sides where cut and where it doesn't align with bolt holes.







Minor and/or Major Defect

Beams

#### Comments

Multiple beams mounted on steel posts with double bolt plates to the base plate only has single bolt installed, requires minimum two bolts installed.

Steel beam to be welded on all sides where cut and where it doesn't align with bolt holes.

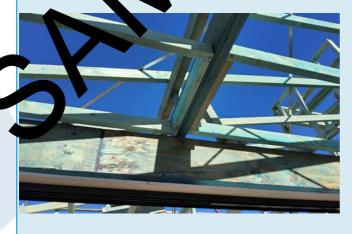
Beams throughout both sitting on top plates, adjoining other beams, frames, top plates and the likes soley relying an multiple and excessive timber blocks nailed of with no bracket fixings, brackets, L brackets or the likes, alternate method required for fixings.























Minor and/or Major Defect

oists

#### Comments

Inconsistent joist blocking to be a tifie

Blocking and frame work undersite of pipes not straight.







Minor and/or Major Defect

**Brackets Fixings** 

#### Comments

Multiple beams mounted on steel posts with double bolt plates to the base plate only has single bolt installed, requires minimum two bolts installed.

Steel beam to be welded on all sides where cut and where it doesn't align with bolt holes.

Top plates, beama and adjoining beams, joists, trusses, rafters frames, top plates and the likes soley relying on practical and excessive timber blocks nailed of with no bracket fixings, brackets, L brackets, triple grips or the likes, alternate method required for fixings.









Minor and/or Major Defect

Bracing

#### Comments





Minor and/or Major Defect

Flashing

#### Comments

As per report missing alcor flashing.

Other flashings not yet completed.









**Incomplete Item** 

Plumbing

#### Comments

Rough in was being done by the plumber at the time of inspection.













Incomplete Item Electrical

#### Comments

Not yet completed.





Minor and/or Major Defect

Tie Down Straps

#### Comments









Incomplete Item

**Cavity Columns** 

### Comments

Not yet completed.





7. Roof						
	Condition Visually Fine	Minor and/or Major Defect	Incomplete Item	Unable to Inspect Due to Access	Not Applicable (N/A)	
Trusses/Layout			₫			
Bracing			₫			
Brackets Fixings		₫				
Support Points	₫					
Joists	₫					
Triple L Grips		<b>d</b>				
Fascia			₫			
Gutters			₫	О		
Collar Ties/Rafters		₫				
Roof Members	₫					
Roof Cladding					Ø	
Underpurlins	₫					
Roof Beams		₫				
Strapping		o d				



Incomplete Item Trusses/Layout

#### Comments

Trusses incomplete.

Fixings and brackets and straps to be completed and rectified.

Rear low rafter bowing and is two pieces with a blocking to brace to be replaced with one uniform straight length.























Incomplete Item

Bracing

#### Comments





Minor and/or Major Defect

**Brackets Fixings** 

#### Comments

Top plates, beams and adjoining beams, joists, trusses, rafters frames, top plates and the likes soley relying on multiple and excessive timber blocks nailed of with no bracket fixings, brackets, L brackets, triple grips or the likes, alternate method required for fixings.







Minor and/or Major Defect

riple L Grips

### Comments

Not complete





Minor and/or Major Defect

Collar Ties/Rafters

#### Comments

Rafters not finished of in areas due to scaffolding obstructions.



















Minor and/or Major Defect

**Roof Beams** 

#### Comments

Top plates, beams and adjoining beams, joists, trusses, rafters frames, top plates and the likes soley relying on multiple and excessive timber blocks nailed of with no bracket fixings, brackets, L brackets, triple grips or the likes, alternate method required for fixings.

















### 8. Findings and summary

This Building Inspection summary provides you with a "snapshot" of the items the inspector considers of greatest significance for you, in respect of the building only, when considering this property. Please refer to the Definitions and the complete Report for detailed information regarding visible defects. Note that this Summary is not the complete Report and that in the event of an apparent discrepancy the complete Report overrides the Summary information.

#### **Report Summary**

Second storey access not present, no void access and no void protection creating unsafe access, scaffold access not in the with the balcony with over a half a meter and above a meter leap to access. First floor framing on engineers plans or ground floor. Items stated aa per report

#### **Major Defects Noted**

A defect of sufficient magnitude where rectification, as to be carried out. Althout undue delay to avoid: unsafe conditions, posing a threat to life or serious injury; loss of utility, which elegates the defect is such that the whole of the relevant part of the building can no longer serve its intended function; or further set stantial beterioration of the building.

#### Major Structural Defermed ote

A major defect in any second of ternal primary load bearing component of the building which seriously affects the structural integrity of the building teal ring religication to be carried out without undue delay to avoid: unsafe conditions, posing a threat to life or serious injury; less obtility, whereby the defect is such that the whole of the relevant part of the building can no longer serve its integration of the substantial deterioration of the building. In the case of cracking, a serious structural defect denotes sevel tracking as defined by Category 4, Appendix C – Australian Standard AS 2870-2011. Appendix C is attached for your reference.



## 9. iSPECT Building Inspections

The iSPECT Building Inspections is a national franchise building inspections business. iSPECT engages with trade qualified builders with a minimum of 10 years residential and commercial building experience to complete property inspections. Each home and building inspection completed is then detailed in a report that is complete to Australian Standards AS4349.0, AS4349.1 and/or AS4349.3. iSPECT has franchise nationally who are supported by a national call centre located at 8 Appearso Street, Port Melbourne. Our office locations follow:



