



EXTERIOR INSPECTION

During the course of a home inspection, we will be observing the structural system in accordance with the ASHI Standards of Practice. The structural system consists of the bones of the house. These structural components include the roof, ceiling, wall, floor and foundation, where visible and accessible. We report all abnormal conditions observed.

Interior finishes, furnishings and personal stored items limit the accessibility of these components. An occupied home presents many more impediments to a full review of these components. We do not move furnishings or personal stored items because of liability.

We inspect:

- Structural components including the foundation and framing.
- Probing a representative number of structural components where deterioration is suspected or where clear indications of possible deterioration exist. Probing is not required when probing would damage any finished surface or where not deterioration is visible or presumed to exist.

We describe:

- The methods used to inspect under floor crawl spaces and attics.
- The foundation, floor structure, wall structure, ceiling structure and roof structure.

We are not required to inspect:

- Provide any engineering or architectural services or analysis.
- Offer an opinion as to the adequacy of any structural system or component.