

# **Four-Point Inspection Preparation Checklist**

This checklist guides homeowners in preparing their property for a four-point inspection, which focuses on the roof, electrical system, plumbing, and HVAC (Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning).

Learn more by reading our article on How to Pass a Four Point Inspection

# Roof

- □ Visual Inspection: Check for missing, damaged, or aged shingles or tiles. Have a licensed roofing company make repairs as needed.
- □ Leaks: Look for signs of water damage or leaks in the attic or interior ceilings.
- □ Age and Documentation: Know the age of your roof and have any repair or replacement documentation ready for your inspector.

# **Electrical System**

- □ Electrical Panel:
  - Ensure all electric panels are easily accessible and panel covers can be safely removed.
  - Check for any exposed wiring terminations both in the interior and exterior of the home.
  - Are there any panels that may be hard to insure, e.g. Challenger, Zinsco-Sylvania, or Federal Pacific Electric?
- Outlets and Switches:
  - Test all outlets and switches for functionality.
  - Ensure all cover plates are installed.
- □ GFCI Outlets: Ensure GFCI outlets are in place and functional in bathrooms, kitchen, and other wet areas.
- □ Visible Wiring: Look for any frayed or exposed wiring throughout the house.
- Common Defects: <u>Double Lugged Neutrals</u>, <u>Double Tapped Breakers</u>, Faulty GFCIs

# Plumbing

- □ Type of Plumbing: What types of water pipes are present in the home?
  - Common Defect: <u>Polybutylene Water Pipes</u>
- □ Water Heater: Check for leaks of supply piping or leaking TPR valve and clean off any corrosion.
- □ Water Pressure: Test all faucets for proper operation and no leaks.
- Leaks: Check all visible pipes for leaks or corrosion, especially under sinks, and repair as needed.
- □ Functional Toilets: Ensure all toilets are flushing properly and are secured to the floor.
- □ Visible Fungal Growth: Is there any visible fungal growth in the home?

# **HVAC System**

- □ Maintenance Records: Have documentation of any recent HVAC maintenance, update, or repairs.
- □ Air Filters: Replace air filters if necessary.
- □ Thermostat Operation: Test the thermostat for proper operation for heating and cooling functions.
- □ Visible Inspection:
  - Clear vegetation away from exterior condenser units.
  - Ensure no leaks are present around the interior air handler.