



## Home Inspection Agreement

This is an Agreement between you, the undersigned Client, and, Buckley Home Services, the Inspector, pertaining to our inspection of the Property at: {{ADDRESS}}, on {{INSPECTION\_DATE}}, at {{INSPECTION\_TIME}}. The terms below govern this Agreement.

**1. The Home Inspection.** A limited visual inspection and prepare a written report of the apparent condition of the readily accessible installed systems and components of the Premises (the house and one attached or detached garage) existing at the time of the inspection. Latent and concealed defects and deficiencies are excluded from the inspection. Sheds, outbuildings, and other accessory structures are excluded. Installed components included in the inspection are structural system/foundation, exterior, roof system, plumbing system, electrical system, heating system, cooling system (weather permitting), interior, insulation and ventilation, fireplaces and solid fuel burning appliances (if present).

Other Inspections for such services as Radon, Mold or Pests, requiring additional standards, equipment, and laboratory evaluations will require test specific Inspection Riders that must be attached to be effective.

CLIENT acknowledges that his/her presence at the inspection has been requested. CLIENT acknowledges that he/she has been advised of the time and date of the inspection.

**2. The fee for our inspection is \${{PRICE}},** due upon completion of the physical inspection. A \$50.00 fee and 8% APR will be applied to all returned checks and to any invoice outstanding 30 days or more from the time of the inspection. Any follow-up visit to the inspected Premises shall be a minimum charge of \$100.00 due at the time of reinspection.

**3. Scope of Inspection.** The scope of the inspection is strictly limited as set forth in this Agreement. The parties understand and agree that this inspection will be of readily accessible areas of the building and is limited to visual observations of apparent conditions existing at the time of the inspection only. Latent and concealed defects and deficiencies, including but not limited to, basement flooding, basement seepage and roof leakage, are excluded from this inspection. The parties agree that the Illinois Standards of Practice, 68 Ill. Admin. Code 1410, Sec. 1410.200, as amended, as well as the American

Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI) Standards of Practice, most current edition, shall define the standard of duty and the conditions, limitations, and exclusions of the inspection and are incorporated by reference herein. Copies of these standards are available upon request. Where the State of Illinois Standards and the ASHI Standards are found to be in conflict, the State of Illinois Standards shall supersede the ASHI Standards.

**4. Items Not Inspected.** The inspection and report exclude and do not cover those items indicated as “untested” or “not inspected” or the possible presence of or danger from any potentially harmful substances and environmental hazards including, but not limited to, the following items: radon, mold asbestos; lead paint; formaldehyde; toxic and flammable materials; soil contamination; water testing; termite and pest infestation; water softener and filter system; sprinkler systems; central vacuum systems; telephone systems; intercom systems; security systems; antennas; cable television; doorbells; appliances; playground equipment; swimming pools and pool equipment; spas; energy efficiency measurements; recreational equipment; recreational facilities (boat docks and tennis courts); landscaping; underground storage tanks; underground drainage; irrigation; outdoor grills; low voltage exterior lighting; remote overhead door transmitters and receivers; concealed or underground electric and plumbing; systems which are shut down or otherwise secured; private sewer systems; water wells; chimney draft; heating system accessories; solar heating systems; zoning or other ordinances; and building code conformity. All items indicated as being excluded in the ASHI Standards of Practice are also excluded herein. CLIENT understands that these systems and conditions and information about them are excluded from this Inspection and Report. Any general comments which may appear about these systems and conditions are provided as a courtesy only and DO NOT represent or form a part of the Inspection.

**5. Third Party Liability.** It is understood and agreed that the inspection and report are performed and prepared for the confidential and exclusive use and possession of CLIENT. No other person or entity may rely on the report issued pursuant to this agreement.

**6. Limitation of Liability.** It is understood and agreed that in the event of any claim whatsoever against COMPANY, its employees, inspectors, or other agents, whether based on contract, negligence or other tort, statute, or otherwise, in any way directly or indirectly resulting from or relating to the inspection, the report or performance or nonperformance of services by COMPANY, that, any liability of COMPANY, its employees, inspectors or other agents shall be solely and exclusively limited to the amount of the inspection fee actually paid by CLIENT.

**7. We do not perform** engineering, architectural, plumbing, or any other job function requiring an occupational license in the jurisdiction where the property is located. If we

hold a valid occupational license, we may inform you of this and you may hire us to perform additional functions. Any agreement for such additional services shall be in a separate writing.

**8. Limitation of Actions.** No action shall be maintained by CLIENT against COMPANY unless, (1) written notice, sent by certified mail return receipt requested, setting forth that an installed system or component of the Premises which was inspected by the Inspector was not in the condition reported by the Inspector, is delivered by CLIENT to COMPANY within ten (10) business days after the discovery of such defect becomes known to CLIENT. CLIENT agrees that, with the exception of emergency conditions, CLIENT or CLIENT'S agents, employees or independent contractors will make no alterations, modifications or repairs to the claimed discrepancy prior to a reinspection and, (2) allowing immediate access to the premises for review and reinspection by the Inspector. Failure to comply with these conditions releases us from liability. Furthermore, any action must be commenced by CLIENT within one (1) year after the date of the Inspection or will be deemed waived and forever barred.

**9. Entire Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any and all prior agreements between the parties. CLIENT agrees that any representation, promise, condition, or warranty, express or implied, not included in this Agreement shall not be binding on any party.

**10. Interpretations.** It is mutually understood and agreed that all provisions herein are severable and that, in the event that any of them shall be held to be invalid, any competent court may modify or reform any such provisions to make it enforceable and that the remaining provisions hereof shall nevertheless be valid and binding.

**11. Assignment.** The rights and obligations under this Agreement may not be assigned by any of the parties hereto without the prior written consent of the other party.

**12. Attorney's Fees.** The prevailing party in any dispute arising out of this Agreement, the Inspection, or Report(s) shall be awarded reasonable attorney's fees and other costs.

{{INSPECTOR\_SIGNATURE}}{{CURRENT\_DATE}}

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT. I AGREE TO IT AND ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIVING A COPY OF IT.

Client Signature & Date

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