

Member Comments:

I hired Dave to do a typical home inspection for me on a house I had under purchase contract. The result of the inspection was there was nothing typical about Dave' work. My realtor had recommended the most well known firm in the Rochester area; however, I decided to join Angie's list and selected an inspector based on the reviews of this web site. I did not make a mistake!! Even my realtor was thoroughly impressed with the result of Dave's work and substantiating report.

You will get a personal tour of the home you are about to purchase. Dave will review every area of your potential home explaining what needs to be immediately fixed, what can wait, when it can wait until, and what should be maintained regularly. He will answer any questions you may have about the care of your home, about any plans you may have for improvements and volunteer to take calls at any date in the future if you have questions about what you should and should not do regarding home maintenance. He willingly lets you follow him around for 3-4 hours as he explains what he is reviewing and his recommendations. He will follow up with a well documented, well detailed report. His report will contain pictures with detailed suggestions on the inside and outside of your home. Don't waste your time calling anyone else. I don't think anyone will be able to exceed the bar he set for me in my future expectations of what a home inspection should involve. He may cost a little more. **IT is worth it.**

Roxann G. (4/28/2013 - Irondequoit, NY)

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If I could, I would have given Dave an A+. Dave educated us regarding the inspection process as well as educating us about our new home and how it worked. He answered all of our questions in person and on line. His reports were prompt and very detailed. The summary version was nearly 50 pages. Our home turned out to have a Radon positive problem. Dave explained what we needed to do as well as offering Radon specialists that he and colleges thought may be helpful. Our home was located out of Dave's usual area but he did come to our area for a very small charge for the extra hour + drive. The Radon testing required an additional round trip as well. Dave spent nearly 5 hours doing the inspection and took extensive photographs plus identifies all the types and models of mechanical devices or models. The reports identified problems that were in need of immediate attention and those that needed in the future. The reports were easy to read and logically arranged. We requested an extensive inspection that included optional items. The report identified area the we could ask the seller to either fix or give us money off the sale price. I am very happy to give Dave my A grade and encourage others to us his services.

Leezette J. (4/10/2013 - Cameron, NY)

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A complete and professional inspection. I don't think he missed a thing.

A really thorough and professional inspection. Dave clearly is an expert at what he does. My attorney said it was one of the most complete reports he'd ever seen. The detailed report and pictures were terrific. His summary was clear, concise and very helpful. Would most definitely recommend him.

Edward H. (3/28/2013 - Geneva, NY)

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Dave's reputation was one of being extremely thorough, and he didn't disappoint! Before our appointment, he arrived early to examine the exterior of the house, saving me time. He then guided me through each room of the house, not just examining the finest detail, but providing me with information about possible issues and basic how-to's, which were invaluable as a first-time home buyer.

He discovered several issues which the three previous home inspectors had missed. First, he found that the exhaust from the clothes dryer was blowing into a screened basement window, where several pounds of dryer lint had collected and was posing a fire hazard. Then, he found insulation installed on the water heater too close to the exhaust, such that the insulation had seared and could have ignited. He grabbed his knife and quickly cut away the dangerous insulation without pause, showing me where the heat had already melted part of it.

Later, he found an electrical line that was poorly installed in the attic in such a way that nails from the new roof installation were barely missing it! The line went behind some finishing, and paired with the cedar chips from the roof tear-off, it could have created a tinderbox under the right conditions.

He also found that the roof had been installed with a ridge vent, which was unnecessary for a house with no air inlets. He informed me that this was a tremendous heat escape in the winter, and it could also affect the natural ventilation of the water heater and furnace.

Two days later, he sent me an 88-page report of his inspection, giving me a to-do list for probably the first 10 years of home ownership. I can't recommend Dave highly enough!

Will H. (2/23/2013 - Rochester, NY)

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We had a great experience with Dave from setting up appointment with ease to receiving our 60 + page detailed report, complete with pictures and links to reference information and tips for future safety and energy conservation tips.

He arrives about 30 minutes prior to scheduled time to complete his inspection of the exterior of the home in order to speed up the process a bit, as the entire inspection process will take about 3 hours. He will make note of everything that he notices about the home, good or bad, extremely necessary updates to advice for the future. His detailed report is color coded as to importance of findings. I feel very confident that we are fully aware of the home that we are purchasing.

Dave also takes note of the model and serial number of every appliance in the home and submits the information to a recall-check company. The company monitors all recalls and will notify you if there is a recall on any of your appliances and provide you with information for a fix or replacement. As you update appliances, simply notify the company of your new purchases and they will continue to provide you recall information.

Dave is very knowledgeable about all codes, regulations, and helpful tips. Not only is he extremely helpful, but he is a very pleasant, friendly guy and was a pleasure to have his services.

We would hire him again without question and would recommend his services to everyone!

Erica & Steve S. (1/25/2013 - Avon, NY)

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Dave performed a full inspection of the interior and exterior of the house we just purchased. The house was built in 1940, has had extensive renovations in 2004 and is about 1,800sq/ft.

Within 24 hours we received an email with a link to a password protected report. This detailed, 68-page report contained many photos and links to exterior websites with additional information on relevant topics. Each recommendation was boldly color coded as "unsafe" or "update/maintenance". The report was easy to read and contained a summary & table of contents for easy navigation.

Dave recorded the serial numbers of each of our appliances and submitted the information to RecallChek, which will provide notification to us in the event that any of our appliances is recalled for the entire time we own our home.

Dave arrived early and began the exterior inspection before we even arrived at the property. After he finished inspecting each floor he walked us through it explaining any issues or safety concerns that he discovered. Dave spent a couple hours with us and took his time to do a thorough inspection.

We used the report he provided to us as evidence that there were unsafe conditions in the house that needed to be addressed by the seller. Thanks to Dave's attention to detail the seller brought out a licensed electrician to inspect some corrosion in the circuit breaker box and also contracted an HVAC professional to replace some furnace exhaust pipes that contained extensive corrosion. We'll use the report for years to come as we continue to make updates and improvements based on Dave's recommendations.

Wendy W. (8/16/2012 - Rush , NY)