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INSPECTION SERVICES

SEWER SCOPE SERVICES

BEFORE YOU BUY, SCOPE THE SEWER LINE.

New home buyers understand they need a home inspection performed before they consider buying a home. One additional service they should ask for, that's not usually included in a home inspection, is a sewer line scope — regardless of the home's age.

HOW IS A SEWER SCOPED?

The scope is a snake line with a digital camera on the end that sends video back to a monitor to identify defects or obstructions in the sewer line. The video and/or still images can then be shared with homeowners, plumbers, or the local City Waste Water Department.

WHAT'S THE DAMAGE?

Depending on when the home was built, the sewer line can be composed of a variety materials. Clay, concrete, cast iron, ABS/PVC/SDR (plastic) or bituminous fiber (known as Orangeburg which is bituminized fiber pipe made from layers of wood pulp and pitch pressed together and was widely used from 1860 through the 1970s). All of these lines are susceptible to root intrusion, stone punctures, settling fractures and damage from roofer cleaning blades.

NEW BUILD DOESN'T ALWAYS MEAN WELL-BUILT

Don't fall into the trap of thinking, "This home was built less than ten years ago, it should be fine." Knowing definitively, for a relatively low price compared to the repair cost, is simply doing your due diligence before making the most expensive, and important, purchase in your lifetime.



SEWER LINE REPAIR COST

Simple repair: \$1,500+*

Complex repair: \$5,000-\$25,000+**

*Estimated cost

**Estimated cost includes repair to the city main (digging up the sidewalk and city street, and their subsequent replacement once the sewer line is fixed).

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