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A Newsletter of Value to Educate and Inform.

Every edition will cover a Technical Topic and answer questions from our Clients/Realtors. If you have a question about home inspections or a technical topic you would like to understand a little better, [send us an email](#)

Client Questions

When purchasing a home, who should I get contractor recommendations from, Realtor or Inspector?

Short answer, Both. In my experience I have found it may be more beneficial for home buyers to get contractor recommendations from their Realtor more so than their Home Inspector. Each can provide valuable insights and expertise, but it is a question of knowing the contractor's reputation, quality of work and then there is always the code of ethics. A Realtor may have a network of trusted contractors that they or their colleagues have worked with in the past, and they can recommend those contractors to the home buyer. These contractors may have a good reputation in the community, and the realtor may have firsthand experience working with them on previous transactions and can validate quality of work as the Realtor typically sees the end product. While a home inspector can provide a professional assessment of the condition of the home and identify any areas that may need repairs or upgrades based on their inspection report. They may be able to recommend specific contractors who have experience with the types of repairs needed for the home, but Home Inspectors generally do not see the completed project to validate the quality of the contractors' work. Home Inspectors must also adhere to a "Code of Ethics" to help prevent conflict of interest. One potential conflict of interest arises when the home inspector also offers repair services or has a financial relationship with contractors who do. In such cases, the inspector may have an incentive to identify more issues than necessary in order to generate more business for their repair services or contractors. This can lead to unnecessary repairs and expenses for the home buyer.

To avoid these conflicts of interest, it's important to do your due diligence when hiring a home inspector. Look for inspectors who are certified by [READ MORE](#)

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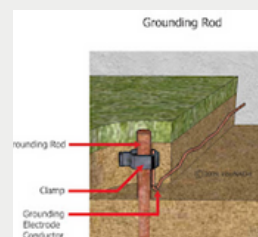
Think of PHW Inspections as an extension of your team. We are here to help Buyers move forward with the purchase of their home with a better understating of what they are purchasing. Whether you are the Listing Agent, Buyers Agent or you happen to have both sides of the transaction, we are true to the house and the facts we find. Buyers and Realtors have been using our inspection reports for more than 22 years to help clients put **Dollar To Defects** to negotiate homes.



At PHW Inspections, we are happy to partner with local Realtors in Sarasota County and surroundings areas to provide clients with end-to-end service. PHW Inspections is dedicated to providing the best possible home inspections for all of our clients. We will make sure that the property receives the attention it deserves. Whether you need a Pre-Purchase Home Inspection or a Pre-Listing Home Inspection, let us help!

Tech-Topics

Pool and Spa Safety: Equipment Bonding



What is Swimming Pool Equipment Bonding?

When it comes to swimming pool safety, proper installation and maintenance go beyond just crystal-clear water and functional equipment. One critical aspect that often is overlooked is the bonding of the swimming pool and its associated equipment. **Bonding is an electrical safety measure that ensures the safety of swimmers and protects the pool infrastructure and electrical components.** Electric shock can be a serious and even fatal hazard, especially in and around swimming pools. This is because water is a good conductor of electricity, and if [READ MORE](#)

Our Inspection Services

- Pre-Purchase Inspections
- Pre-Listing Inspections
- 1 Year Builders Warranty Inspections
- Wind Mitigation Inspections
- 4-Point Inspections
- Home Watch (Select Areas)

Snowbird Tips

Hurricane Season is here. For our **Professional Home Watch** clients, please follow my [Facebook Page](#) to keep up to date with what is going on here for storm and shutter information. Shutters will get installed/closed when a named storm has a Hurricane Warning issued for our area. I will post on [Facebook](#) when shutters are going up. Ultimately it is up to you, the homeowner, as to when you want them to go up. Text me if you want them up earlier as a precaution or if you feel it's premature and want to wait (move to bottom of list). Please remember, when shutters are installed/closed there are additional charges for this service.