

Common Repairs for Minneapolis Truth in Housing Inspections

1) Backflow preventers

Needed on the laundry sink faucet if there are threads for a hose. Needed on the outside faucets unless they are already the anti-siphon type.



This faucet doesn't need anything added. It's already the anti-siphon type. Note the button on top.

2) Smoke alarms

One on each floor, including the basement. On floors with bedrooms, it should be near the bedrooms. Not required inside bedrooms. Battery powered okay.



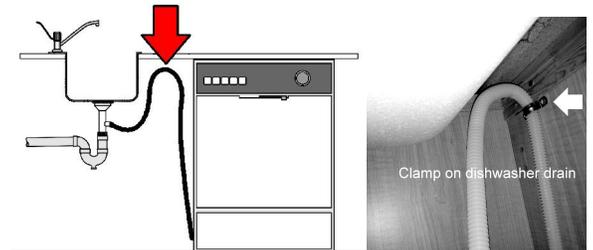
3) Carbon monoxide alarms

Needed within 10 feet of every bedroom. Can be in the hallway, or one inside each bedroom. Just one door is allowed between the alarm and the sleeping person.



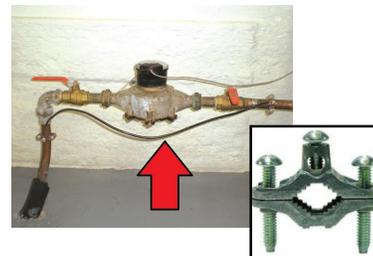
4) Loop on the dishwasher drain

The drain must be looped up higher than the bottom of the sink and be permanently attached.



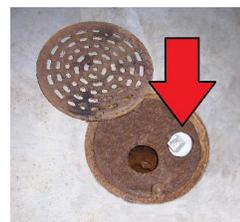
5) Grounding jumper wire

Clamped with an approved clamp (see picture) on both sides of the water meter. Use No. 6 gauge copper wire.



6) Floor drains

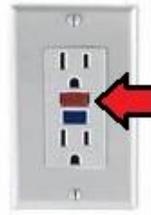
Cleanout plug must be in place and fit tightly. Clogged floor drains must be cleaned out and made functional.



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7) GFCI outlets

Must trip when the test button is pushed (the power goes off).
Check the whole house, outside outlets, and the garage.



8) Bathtub faucets

Can't be below the rim of the tub.



Here's one way to
get the faucet
above the tub



9) Missing breakers or fuses

Empty breaker openings or empty fuse holders must be capped.



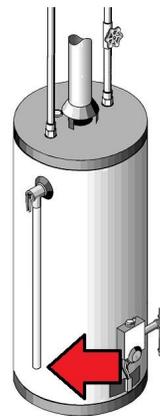
10) Flues not tightly cemented to the chimney (usually in the basement)

The furnace and water heater flues must be tightly cemented, caulked, or otherwise sealed where they enter the chimney.
Must be airtight.



11) Discharge pipe on the water heater

Must be metal (not plastic), and end no higher than 18" above the floor, with no threads on the end of the pipe.



12) Garage locked

The garage must be open for the inspection.