

## Common Required Repairs in Minneapolis (These apply to both house and garage)

### Attic

- Attic hatch must be made accessible to the inspector if possible. Move clothes, closet shelves, etc. ahead of time.
- Plumbing vent pipes, bathroom fans or kitchen fans that vent into the attic instead of outside (P)

### Smoke and CO Alarms

- Smoke alarms missing, improperly located, or not working. One required on every floor, including basements. Not required inside bedrooms.
- Carbon monoxide (CO) alarm missing, improperly located, or not working. One required within 10 feet of each bedroom.

### Floor Drain

- Floor drain cleanout plug missing or loose, or drain obviously clogged

### Plumbing

- Outside hose faucets that are not the anti-siphon type or don't have a backflow preventer attached
- Laundry sink faucet has a threaded end for a hose but no backflow preventer
- Toilet lacks an anti-siphon fill valve (also known as a ballcock—it's in the tank) with a 1" air gap above the overflow pipe
- Dishwasher drain line lacks a high-rise loop (under the sink)
- Laundry sink drains to floor drain (P)
- Laundry standpipe lacks a trap (P)
- Drain pipes leaking, or old openings not properly capped (P)
- Spout that is below the rim of any sink or tub
- Plumbing fixtures that are cracked, broken, or leaking (P)

- Sump pump discharges to the sanitary sewer (should discharge to outside)

### Gas Piping and Dryer

- Dryer vents into the house
- Dryer vent has a bypass that can direct dryer exhaust into the house
- No shutoff on gas line to a gas appliance (P)
- Old-style flexible gas line to an appliance (P)
- Flexible gas line that runs through walls, floors, cabinets (P)
- Old gas piping not properly capped

### Wiring

- Grounding jumper wire across the water meter that's not there or is not clamped on both sides
- GFCI outlets that don't trip when tested, or stay energized after being tripped
- Overfusing (30 amp fuses on normal household circuits) in the electrical panel
- Extension cords used in place of permanent wiring, or run through walls, floors, cabinets
- Wires that are not capped, not taped, and protrude outside an electrical box
- Wires that are spliced outside of an electrical box (P)
- Wires that end outside of an electrical box (P)

### Furnace and Water Heater

- Back spillage of gases at the draft hood (P)
- Flues that have holes, a backward slope, are not tightly sealed to the chimney, or are too close to combustibles (including walls, sheetrock, and wood framing) (P)

- Boiler or furnace missing safety controls (P)
- Abandoned fuel oil tank (P)
- Boiler lacks a 9D backflow valve on supply line (P)
- Water heater relief valve missing or improperly located (P)
- Water heater relief pipe is missing, is too short (must extend to within 18" of the floor), is plastic, or has a threaded end at bottom

### Structural

- Stairways not capable of supporting normal loads (P)
- Potential for structural failure of floors, walls, stairs, roof, etc. (P)

### Exterior

- Outside hose faucets that are not the anti-siphon type or don't have a backflow preventer attached
- GFCI outlets that don't trip when tested, or stay energized after being tripped
- Extension cords used in place of permanent wiring, or run through walls, floors, or from house to garage

**(P)** A permit issued by the City of Minneapolis may be required before fixing this item. Check with Apple or call the city.