

Inspection Checklist

Footing



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1.0 General Information

Building or renovating a home involves several required inspections. These inspections help confirm the work is safe, meets building code requirements and is ready for the next stage.

While inspectors use detailed technical checklists, most outcomes come down to a few common issues. Understanding these can help you avoid delays and keep your project on track.

2.0 Inspection Outcomes

Every inspection result in an outcome that tells you whether your project can move forward or if additional work is required. Understanding these results can help you plan next steps and avoid delays.

Passed

The work meets required standards and there are no outstanding documentation requirements. In some cases, minor items may remain, but they can be reviewed at a future inspection.

Partially Passed

Some deficiencies were identified, but construction can continue. These items must be corrected before the next applicable inspection.

Failed

Significant deficiencies were found, or the work was not ready for inspection. Corrections are required and must be verified through a re-inspection before work can proceed.

Inaccessible

The inspector was unable to safely access the site. The inspection must be rescheduled once safe access is provided.

Waived

The inspection was not required for the project or was already completed at an earlier stage.

Cancelled

The inspection was cancelled, with details provided in the inspection report. A new inspection must be booked.

3.0 Footing Inspection Overview

A footing inspection can be requested once the strip and pad footings are installed and the granular fill has been placed within the building footprint. Any engineered design work must be inspected by a design professional licensed to practice in Saskatchewan and an Assurance of Field Review and Compliance letter must be provided.

Common Areas Reviewed During Footing Inspection

The items listed below represent common areas reviewed during a footing inspection; however, all work must comply with applicable codes and standards.

- Temporary or permanent property number installed
- Location and layout match approved drawings
- Security fencing installed where required
- Strip footing construction matches approved drawings
- Column pads construction matches approved drawings
- Granular fill under future basement
- Possible soil bearing capacity concerns

Items for a Failed Outcome:

- x Fencing has not been provided around excavation
- x Building Location does not appear to be as per approved permit drawings
- x Footing depth appears inadequate for frost protection
- x Strip footings have been constructed without provision for weeping tile pass through
- x Strip footings are not as per approved plans
- x Strip footings are damaged
- x Strip footings are covered, unable to inspect
- x Step footings have excessive vertical rise
- x Step footings have insufficient horizontal distance
- x Column pads are not as per approved plans
- x Column pads are damaged
- x Column pads are covered, unable to inspect
- x Granular fill material used is not acceptable

- x Excavation has standing water
- x Excavation is unstable, shoring is required
- x Soil bearing capacity cannot be confirmed. A sealed engineer's report is required.

Items for Passed Outcome:

- Address has not been provided/not visible from street
- Granular fill has not been installed



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