

# **Housing Quality Standards Inspection Checklist (Most Commonly Failed Items)**

- All windows must have screens, must open, lock, and must NOT be broken.
- All outside doors must lock.
- No torn flooring allowed, or anything that is a tripping hazard (carpet, linoleum, etc.).
- Outlet and light switch covers must be present and in good condition.
- No hanging, bare, or non-working electrical wires.
- Working electricity, gas and all necessary utilities in the unit.
- In the kitchen and bedrooms there must be at least 2 working outlets or 1 working outlet and 1 overhead light.
- All bedrooms must have doors and at least one window.
- Operational stove burners and an oven.
- Bathrooms must have a working fan vented to the outside or a window that opens for ventilation.
- There can be NO chipping or peeling paint inside or outside the unit.
- No lead based paint inside or outside the unit.
- A Hand Rail MUST be present anywhere there is 4 or more stairs.
- Drain pipe and temperature relief valve on water heater must be plumbed to within 6" of the floor.
- All plumbing must work.
- The unit must be clean and sanitary inside and outside.
- No rats, mice, roaches or infestation of any kind.
- No large holes in walls, floors or ceiling.
- Roof must be in good condition.
- Smoke detectors must be operational on every level.
- No heavy accumulation of garbage or debris inside or outside of the unit.

**This list is a representation of the most commonly failed items and does not represent all items that could fail during an inspection.**