TOP 20 DEFICIENCIES (EXAMPLES)

The following are examples of maintenance items that, if repaired prior to the physical inspection, could make a significant difference in the overall inspection score. Be sure that ...

1. Water Heater - the pressure relief valve discharge tube extends to within 18 inches of the floor.

2. Misaligned Chimney - the vent stack on gas operated water heaters or furnaces are properly aligned.

3. Missing HVAC Covers - there are covers on all baseboard heaters.

4. Access to the Electrical Panel - access to the electrical panels is not blocked by furniture or other items not easily removed.

5. **Missing Covers** - electrical panels that have interior covers (aside from the panel lid box itself) to prevent exposure from the wire connections are in place.

6. Open Breaker/Fuse Ports - open breaker/fuse ports are covered.

7. **Doors Damaged Seals** - the factory-installed seals on exterior doors, such as building or unit doors, are in place and undamaged.

8. **Doors Damaged Hardware** - exterior door hardware locks or latches properly and fire doors function as designed.

9. Security Doors - security doors do not have dual-side key locks.

10. Kitchen - stove burners are working.

11. **Plumbing** - pipes and faucets are not leaking, and areas around any leaks are cleaned up and repaired.

12. **Damaged Sinks/Showers** - any hardware problems are repaired, diverters are working, drains have stoppers, hot and cold water handles are in place and working.

13. Clothes Dryers - are properly vented to the outside from units or laundry rooms.

14. Storm Water Sewers - are not clogged with trash or leaves.

15. **Sanitary Sewer Damaged Covers** - caps located in the grass on the exterior of the building that have been damaged by a lawn mower are cleaned out and repaired.

16. Trash Chutes - hardware is in place and the chute door closes properly.

17. Trash Receptacles - are not overflowing and are adequate in size for the property.

18. Auxiliary Lighting - the back up lighting works even when the test light does not work.

19. Leaking Domestic Water - there are no leaks in the domestic water supply, including the hose bibs located on the exterior of the building.

20. Outlet and Switch Plate Covers - are not cracked or broken.