

What you should know about Wood Destroying Insect Inspections

There are 4 main types of insects that destroy wood in Indiana – Termites, Carpenter Ants, Powder Post Beetles, and Carpenter Bees. Collectively these are referred to as Wood Destroying Insects (WDI). There are also wood destroying fungi, commonly known as Rot, but technically referred to as Wood Destroying Organisms (WDO). The State of Indiana requires the inspection to include all of these, and the report must be on the official National Pest Management Association's NPMA-33 form. Many lenders including VA and USDA require the NPMA-33 report, and if any treatment is recommended in the report then it typically needs to be completed before closing.

The State of Indiana has two completely different License, Insurance, and Reporting requirements for Home Inspectors and WDI Inspectors. A home inspector cannot perform a WDI inspection for a client unless he is specifically trained, licensed, and insured for it.

Deakins Home Inspections LLC is properly licensed in Indiana to perform WDI inspections and does offer this as an additional ancillary service to our Clients.