

620-6-.03 Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Report.

(1) The Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Report shall be the written instrument for the purpose of certifying that a structure is apparently free from wood destroying organisms as a basis for transfer of real property and shall be issued only by a pest control operator certified in Wood Destroying Organisms. Such instrument shall carry a guarantee that, if an infestation of wood destroying organisms from which apparent freedom is certified, is found within ninety (90) days from date of issuance, the infested structure(s) shall be treated by the licensee, free of charge subject to the following:

(a) Subterranean Termites – Structures will receive a full minimum adequate treatment pursuant to Paragraph 620-6-.04. However, if a structure has received a full minimum adequate treatment within the past one (1) year, a partial treatment may be made to at least 10 feet in either direction of any and all areas of termite infestation except as defined in Rule 620-6-.07(5).

(b) Powder Post Beetles and Wood Boring Beetles - Structures will receive a minimum adequate treatment pursuant to Paragraph 620-6-.04(3).

(c) Wood Decaying Fungi - Structures will receive a minimum adequate treatment pursuant to Paragraph 620-6-.04(4).

(d) Dry Wood Termites - Structures will receive a minimum adequate treatment pursuant to Paragraph 620-6-.04(5).

(2) For the purpose of this Rule, the form for the Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Report shall conform to the following format which constitutes a part of this Rule.

OFFICIAL GEORGIA WOOD INFESTATION INSPECTION REPORT

COMPANY NAME _____ LICENSE NO. _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NO. _____ DATE OF ISSUANCE _____

SELLER _____ INSPECTOR _____

FILE NO. _____ PURCHASER(S) _____

SCOPE OF INSPECTION

AN INSPECTION OF THE BELOW LISTED STRUCTURE(S) WAS PERFORMED BY A QUALIFIED INSPECTOR EMPLOYED BY THIS FIRM TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE OR PREVIOUS PRESENCE OF AN INFESTATION OF THE LISTED ORGANISMS AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE A STRUCTURAL REPORT. NEITHER IS THIS A WARRANTY AS TO ABSENCE OF WOOD DESTROYING ORGANISMS. THIS REPORT IS SUBJECT TO ALL CONDITIONS ENUMERATED ON THE REVERSE SIDE AND IS ISSUED WITHOUT WARRANTY OR GUARANTEE EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN RULE 620-6-.03 OF THE RULES OF THE GEORGIA STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL ACT OR SUBJECT TO ANY TREATMENT GUARANTEE SPECIFIED BELOW.

MAIN STRUCTURE _____

OTHER STRUCTURES (SPECIFY) _____

ADDRESS OF STRUCTURE(S) _____

FINDINGS

INSPECTION REVEALS VISIBLE

_____ TRANSFERABLE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT OWNER OF THE PROPERTY UPON PAYMENT OF A FEE ON OR BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE.

_____ NOT TRANSFERABLE TO ANY SUBSEQUENT OWNER OF THE PROPERTY.

_____ THE ABOVE STRUCTURE(S) ARE NOT COVERED BY A TREATMENT CONTRACT WITH THIS COMPANY.

THIS STRUCTURE HAS A CURRENT EXCEPTION FORM II ISSUED BY THIS COMPANY _____ Yes _____ NO

IF YES, A COPY MUST BE ATTACHED AS PART OF THIS REPORT.

CERTIFICATION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT NEITHER I NOR THE COMPANY HAS HAD OR CONTEMPLATES HAVING ANY INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY INVOLVED, NOR IS ACTING IN ANY ASSOCIATION WITH ANY PARTY TO THE TRANSACTION.

SIGNATURE OF DESIGNATED
CERTIFIED OPERATOR

SIGNATURE OF PURCHASER
OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE
ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF
REPORT

COPIES TO:

_____ PURCHASER _____ MORTGAGEE _____ REALTOR _____ SELLER

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CONDITIONS GOVERNING THIS REPORT

1. This report is limited to the five organisms listed.
2. This report covers only those structures listed on the front.
3. Inspection, including sounding and/or probing, was performed in only those areas which were readily accessible. Inaccessible areas not inspected include, but are not limited to areas obstructed by, floor coverings, wall coverings, siding, fixed ceilings, insulation, furniture, appliances or other personal items. The inspection also included a check of company records to determine if the structure has been treated and/or under renewal contract with the company within the past two years for any of the covered organisms. A copy of any current Exception Form II for this structure must be included as part of this report.
4. Reporting of Wood Destroying Fungi on this report is intended to cover only white rot, brown rot or water conducting fungi (*Poria incrassata*) infestations which occur below the first floor level and which result from moisture conditions which can be corrected through application of moisture barriers and/or increased ventilation and is not intended to cover conditions resulting from roof or plumbing leaks, or improper drainage of surface water. This report does not cover the reporting of molds and mildews. Structural Pest Control companies are not responsible for inspecting for molds.
5. The term Wood Boring Beetles as used on the reverse side means only those beetles which are known to establish and maintain a continuing infestation in structures, such as, but not limited to the Old House Borer.
6. Regardless of whether any visible evidence of infestation by any of the listed Wood Destroying Organisms is found during inspection, if an infestation of one or more of these organisms from which apparent freedom was certified is found within 90 days of issuance of this report the property shall receive, free of charge, a minimum adequate treatment for control of the infestation consistent with Rules 620-6-.03(1)(a), (b), (c), and (d), of the Georgia Structural Pest Control Act. Any condition conducive to infestation as defined in item nine (9) below that is known to have existed at the time of inspection and was not reported and is found within two (2) years from the date of the report shall be corrected free of charge by the licensee.
7. This is not a structural report. A wood destroying organism inspector is not ordinarily a construction or building trade expert and is therefore not expected to assess structural soundness. Evaluation and correction of damage which may have resulted from an active or previous infestation should be performed by a qualified inspector in the building trade, who is approved by the purchaser and the lending agency.
8. This report implies no responsibility on the part of the Georgia Department of Agriculture or the Georgia Structural Pest Control Commission to enforce or require anything other than treatment or retreatment to the minimum adequate treatment requirements specified in Rule 620-6-.04.
9. Conditions Conducive To Infestation means conditions that exist in a structure that favor the development of wood destroying organisms. These are limited to: cellulosic material underneath a building, wood in contact with the soil which has not been treated with preservatives to a minimum preservative retention designed for ground contact and ventilation that does not meet the requirements specified in Rule 620-6-.04(1)(a)(8). Authority O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-45-8. **History.** Original Rule entitled "Official Georgia Wood Infestation Inspection Report" adopted. F. Feb. 14, 1985; eff. Mar. 6, 1985. **Repealed:** New Rule of the same title adopted. F. Mar. 30, 1988; eff. Apr. 19, 1988. **Amended:** ER. 620-6-0.2-.03 of same title adopted. F. and

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