FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

40 YEAR (AND OLDER) BUILDING SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM

BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF RULES AND APPEALS (BORA)

Q: What should I do when I receive the 40 Year (and Older) Building Safety Inspection Program letter?

A: First, verify that the letter is from the city where the property is located in. Then, hire a licensed professional engineer or registered architect within the specified time frame for inspections.

INSPECTION PROCESS SUMMARY



Q: What is the purpose of the 40 Year (and Older) Building Safety Inspection Program?

A: The purpose of the inspection is to address structural and electrical life, health and safety issues; not aesthetic changes. The recommendations made by the inspection professional must be approved by the building official before they become a requirement.

Q: I want to sell/buy property. How can I know that the property has passed the 40 Year Inspection?

A: Contact the city where the property is located, they will have the records of the inspection and whether or not the property passed.

Q: Do I have to pay for the inspection?

A: Yes, you have to pay for the licensed professional inspection service and the established fee for the city or county building department where the property is located.



Q: How can I find out if my property is on the 40 Year (and Older) Building Safety Inspection list?

A: Contact the city or county where your property is located to access the list for you.

Q: How can I find my folio number?

A: Visit the Broward County Property Appraiser's website, bcpa.net

Q: What if a property built 40 years (or more) ago was never listed?

A: Contact the city building department where the property is located and make them aware of the oversight.

Q: How can I arrange an inspection?

A: Hire any reputable, state licensed professional engineer or registered architect to perform the inspection.

Q: Does each unit of an apartment building or condominium need to be inspected?

A: The licensed professional engineer or registered architect will use their discretion to determine how many units will be inspected.

Q: It is not time for my inspection yet, can I get the inspection done early anyway?

A: You must contact the city or county building official where the property is located to complete an inspection before its scheduled time, to postpone an inspection or to extend the period for repairs.

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