

Pricing

Single Family

Home Inspection	\$299
Home Inspection with Termite	\$369
Home Inspection with Radon	\$379
Home Inspection, Radon and Termite	\$399

Townhome

Home Inspection	\$275
Home Inspection with Termite	\$345
Home Inspection with Radon	\$355
Home Inspection, Radon and Termite	\$375

Condominium

Home Inspection	\$210
Home Inspection with Termite	\$270
Home Inspection with Radon	\$280
Home Inspection, Radon and Termite	\$310

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Home inspector Mark Panetti looks at the roof of a Burlington Township home. Panetti checks a house from top to bottom before it's sold. Photo by AL SCHILLI/Courier Post

Eyes, expertise find home

House inspector makes call for prospective buyers

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For new home buyers, Mark Panetti may seem like your new best friend. A home inspector, he makes sure your potential investment, perhaps the biggest one of your life, is worth the money.

Panetti is a contractor for Eastern Home Inspection in Columbus. His primary service area covers Burlington, Camden and Gloucester counties.

His clients are usually potential buyers of houses, townhomes and condominiums. He particularly enjoys working for first-time home buyers.

"It's fun to work with young couples who are buying their first home. Usually they're newlyweds and are excited," said Panetti, 37, of Marlton. "I take my time with them, showing them where the water shut-off valve and electrical panels are located and how to change the air filter on the furnace."

Nancy Fox, an associate in Presidential Fox & Roach's Cherry Hill East office, has worked with Panetti for the past year and a half.



Panetti, a contractor for Eastern Home Inspection in Columbus, checks an air conditioning unit.

"He's very thorough, which is great for my buyers. He has a very nice manner in explaining the good and bad points of the house," said Fox. "He goes beyond the scope

just looking for problems in the house." A key that sets him apart from other home inspectors is that Panetti immediately provides both her and her clients with a printed report from the inspection, she

Home Inspector

- **Training:** Both school and on-the-job training is needed
- **Median salary:** \$71,000 as of 2001*
- **Work environment:** Buildings
- **Job demand:** 5,000 job openings in nation*
- **Professional association:** American Society of Home Inspectors
- **Web site:** www.asihq.org
- * Source: American Society of Home Inspectors

said. "It's unique. We all leave with a copy of the report in our hands," said Fox.

In addition to his ladder, flashlight and clipboard, Panetti also travels with a digital camera, laptop computer and printer, which allows him to provide the on-site report.

Following standards set by the state and the American Society of Home Inspectors, which Panetti explained is the leading professional organization for inspectors, he checks each portion of a house from the roof to the basement.

"There are 13 categories to a house and each section has a standard of practice, whether it be the exterior, roof, attic or bathroom," said Panetti. "The standard are like the rules, so everybody knows what it entails."

According to Jason Bird, a representative of ASHI, this field has been growing steadily for the past 10 years. The organization is known to be the professional regulators of home inspectors, as its members must meet stringent requirements.

The New Jersey Senate and Assembly passed a revised version of the Home Inspection Professional Licensing Act May 15. The measure is awaiting the governor's signature.

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About the Inspector

Mark Panetti, NJ Licensed & ASHI Certified Home Inspector

- ◆ Over 2000 Home Inspections performed in Southern New Jersey
- ◆ Successful completion of 300 hour Home Inspector Certification as required by the State of New Jersey
- ◆ Member of the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI), maintaining High Standards of Practice as set forth by the State of New Jersey
- ◆ Fifteen Years of Experience working in the building materials industry offering a thorough understanding of the components of home construction
- ◆ Certified in the State of New Jersey to test for the presence of Radon Gas
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A Home Inspection is a Visual Non-invasive inspection of readily accessible systems and components. The purpose is to identify systems and components, detect major defects, and make appropriate recommendations for specialists in the field or corrections and costs estimates.

Components Inspected

- ◆ Structure
- ◆ Electrical Safety: Panels & Outlets
- ◆ Plumbing
- ◆ Exterior: Roof Materials & Flashings, Grading and Drainage
- ◆ Basement and/or Crawlspace
- ◆ Heating Systems
- ◆ Cooling Systems
- ◆ Hot Water Heating Systems
- ◆ Attics
- ◆ Garages
- ◆ Kitchens and Bathrooms
- ◆ Interiors: Windows & Doors

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