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## **Basement Inspections – Proper Reporting, Avoiding Legal Headaches**

A seminar by Tom Feiza — Mr. Fix-It

### **Description**

Basements pose a major liability for home inspectors because of the abundance of potential basement problems and the expense of repairs. Learn basement inspection techniques from an inspector who has reported on more than 5,000 basements and routinely works as an expert witness on basement problems. You will learn how to properly inspect a basement and document conditions, including proper wording of statements to limit your liability as a home inspector. Learn how to document inspection restrictions and make proper referrals to a specialist. Review actual defects and potential repairs, and find out how they should be documented.

### **Primary Learning Objectives**

- Learn how to properly inspect and document basement conditions and when to make a referral to a specialist.
- Learn how to analyze basic basement defects, basement construction, the reasons defects occur, and how they might be repaired.
- Review actual basement defects and home inspector documentation, and find out how legal cases were resolved.

**1\_ to 2 hours long**

**Formal presentation with PowerPoint, overheads, and handouts**

### **Tom Feiza – Speaker Biography**

Tom is a registered professional engineer (PE, BSME) with more than 30 years of construction and engineering management experience. He's known as "Mr. Fix-It" to loyal readers, callers to his weekly radio show, viewers for his TV appearances, and audiences at home shows and conventions. During the week, Tom Feiza is a home inspector with more than 14 years and 5,000 inspections under his belt. He has published books on home repair: *How To Operate Your Home*, *Home Journal*, *Home Systems Guide*, *Basic Home Systems* and *Just Fix It*. His radio call-in show on AM620 WTMJ draws in more than 45,000 listeners each hour. Tom has made numerous technical presentations for home inspectors at national conventions.