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Upcoming Webinar: Absolute Tank May 06, 2025, 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

This webinar, presented by Absolute Tank, will provide home inspectors with essential knowledge for evaluating residential oil tanks.

INDUSTRY HEADLINES

Massachusetts Enacts Home Inspection Protection Law: Effective June 15, 2025, Massachusetts will implement legislation safeguarding homebuyers' rights to conduct home inspections without pressure to waive them. This law aims to ensure transparency and safety in property transactions.

Michigan's Mobile Home Inspection Initiative: The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) has established a dedicated mobile home community inspection team to enhance living conditions in mobile home parks. This team focuses on ensuring compliance with state standards and prioritizes the health and safety of residents.

HOME INSPECTORS

April was National Home Inspection Month

April is recognized as National Home Inspection Month, highlighting the critical role of home inspectors in real estate transactions. It's an opportune time to reflect on industry standards and advancements.

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TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Emerging Technologies in Home Inspections

The industry is witnessing a shift towards automation, with drones, sensors, and AI algorithms enhancing inspection accuracy and efficiency. Staying abreast of these technologies can provide a competitive edge.

FROM THE DESK OF STAN BAJERSKI

So, what's the current state of home inspections?

Increased competition

More inspectors are entering the field thanks to low startup costs and flexible licensing requirements in many states.

More informed clients

Buyers and real estate agents are doing their research. They expect detailed, professional reports and up-to-date knowledge.

Evolving standards

State laws and standards of practice are being updated more frequently. Missing a change can mean missing compliance.

Tech-driven expectations

Tools like moisture meters, radon detectors, and thermal cameras aren't just bonuses—they're expected.

Specialization is on the rise

From mold to solar panels, niche knowledge is a serious advantage in today's market.

NEW ENGLAND SPOTLIGHT

Rhode Island Considers Electrical Inspection Legislation

Rhode Island's House Corporations Committee is reviewing a bill that could introduce additional electrical inspection requirements, potentially impacting homebuyers with increased costs and extended closing times.



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Recall Center: A.O.Smith Triangle Tube

Triangle Tube Recalls Gas Boilers Due to CO Hazard:

Triangle Tube has recalled certain Prestige and Aerco Esteem gas boilers following reports of carbon monoxide leaks, which have resulted in two fatalities. Inspectors should verify boiler models during assessments.

A.O. Smith Recalls 30-Gallon Gas Water Heaters

A.O. Smith has issued a recall for 30-gallon gas water heaters sold exclusively at Lowe's due to fire hazards. Inspectors should check for these units during evaluations. [Link](#)