Potential Dangers of New Homes by Reyes

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When you buy your new home, having it inspected is of utmost importance. Otherwise your home is an unknown quantity and there are all kinds of things that can go wrong which could cost you a lot of money or even put you at serious risk. You would never buy a car that hadn't had an MOT or a service in years and then take it on the road, and this is the same kind of thing.

If you aren't convinced yet, then it may be worth looking at some of the issues that new homes can present and some of the potential dangers. Here are just a few...

Structural Integrity:

A house is made of brick and wood and you'd think that would be pretty sturdy, but when you also consider how heavy a building is and how much stress and pressure it gets placed under, then you realise that it really wouldn't take much in many cases to cause cracks or to cause things to start falling apart. A large crack in your wall might not be a big issue, but at the same time it could be a very big issue costing a lot to repair and potentially leading to leaks, infestations or even your home collapsing. Note that cracks aren't always easy to spot as they are often beneath the paint or the wallpaper (and it's easy to mistake a crack in the paint for a crack in your wall).

Mold:

Mold can be a serious problem if it has set into your property. Normally mold is a result of a lack of circulation coupled with general dampness and it can come from having a leak somewhere in the property or just poor maintenance. Once this sets in however, it can spread and affect other parts of your property leading to mold creeping across your ceiling and mildew setting in in your furniture and upholstery. This can cause things to collapse and can result in health problems for those living inside. It can also be very difficult to remove.

Infestation:

Infestations can be again a serious problem as they not only damage your problem due to rats eating your insulation and chewing through your wires, or termites eating through your wood, but also pose a threat to your health as they spread disease or even threaten to sting or bite. Furthermore they can spiral out of control as they proliferate and lead to other problems caused by rotting carcasses and manure.

Geography:

The geography of your property can result in a lot of problems, whether it's because the roots from a large tree are threatening to break through your living room floor, or whether it's because you are on a fault line or a flood plane. Knowing this in advance can help you to avoid the destruction of your entire property, and this might otherwise not even be covered by insurance if you didn't get things checked.

This is just a small selection of things that can go wrong with a property, so if you don't want your bath landing in your dining room complete with bathing Grandma â€“ make sure you have the property inspected.

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