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## Should I Hire the Cheapest Property Inspector?

Property inspection costs can vary depending on your property size, the services you need, and the inspection company that you choose. There are many different pricing structures, and when you compare property inspection fees, you also have to compare the value that you are receiving from the inspection company that you hire. Inspection services such as whole home inspections, new construction inspections, insurance inspections, foundation inspections, code inspections, roof inspections, electrical inspections, etc., all have various pricing structures.

It is very tempting to choose the cheapest inspection company, especially in today's unstable economy. After all, this is your investment or your home property, and you need to always think about what is going to provide the best value for you and your investment. There are, however, some serious pitfalls in choosing the cheapest property inspector.

When selecting an inspection company to provide residential or commercial property inspections, price shouldn't be the only factor when you are making your decision. Think about hiring a good property inspector the same way you think about your insurance policies. Any time you own a property, odds are there will be an issue at some point in time. When trouble arises, you don't want to find out that your insurance policy has some holes in it. You don't want to discover at a time too late, that your policy doesn't provide the right coverage. You want to know that your investment or homestead property is fully covered.

This is the same reason why you shouldn't choose a low budget property inspector. A good property inspector will do the same thing that a good insurance policy does; protect you! A good property inspection company has experience, fair pricing, proper training, licenses and insurance. That's a huge factor and paying for the number one priority, extensive experience, is well worth the small investment.

Let's say your insurance company wants to force an inspection on your property or possibly cancel you; do you want to work with someone who doesn't know how to handle the reasons why and try to prove to the insurance company that they may be incorrect in their risk assessment? Maybe you've saved some money on property inspection fees, but what will you do when that property inspector has never dealt with problems like we are seeing today regarding insurance and risk assessments for a home or a commercial building?

You'll want to hire a property inspector who has seen this type of situation over and over again. You want someone with the right experience to fully explain to you how reliable vendors can come out and resolve the situation if it entails an electrical problem, roof, plumbing or any other building system issue without substantially adding to your costs or your stress, and without trying to tell you that you need something that you don't need, usually resulting in a lawsuit, an altercation with, or a denial by your insurance carrier.

That sort of oversight and expertise comes with many years of experience. Long term property inspection experience is invaluable, and it's one of the most important things that you should consider when you're hiring a property inspector. Can you place a dollar amount on that level of experience? Not when you consider the peace of mind that many years of hands-on experience provides to you, and the additional costs of the inspector not knowing or doing things right the first time. We have over 25 years of experience at **Florida Property Inspections**.

Your home, rental or commercial property is an important investment. It's a business. Don't compromise on the level of service and quality you are entitled to. Be ready to pay a reasonable fee for a quality property inspector. We've found that the cheapest inspection companies will only end up costing you more in the future. Always choose full coverage when you buy insurance, and always choose experience when you're partnering with a property inspection company. We would love the opportunity to hear more about your property and share how we can help you protect your investment. Contact our team at **Florida Property Inspections** today!

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