

TITLE: RETAINING WALL

VERSION: V3.0

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DEFINITION: A vertical structure that retains soil or rock at various grades.

PURPOSE: To prevent erosion on sloped land or to add usable space.

COMMON COMPONENTS: Post; Railing; Block

LOCATION:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Unit	None
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inside	None
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Outside	Property grounds

MORE INFORMATION: For the purpose of this inspection, a “retaining wall” is only classified as such if it is at least 24 inches tall and does not include decorative planters or foundation wall.

DEFICIENCY 1: Retaining wall is leaning away from the fill side.

LOCATION: Outside

DEFICIENCY 2: Retaining wall is partially or completely collapsed.

LOCATION: Outside

DEFICIENCY I — OUTSIDE: RETAINING WALL IS LEANING AWAY FROM THE FILL SIDE.

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Retaining wall is leaning away from the fill side.

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: **Moderate** The Moderate Health and Safety category includes deficiencies that, if evident in the home or on the property, present a moderate risk of an adverse medical event requiring a healthcare visit; cause temporary harm; or if left untreated, cause or worsen a chronic condition that may have long-lasting adverse health effects; or that the physical security or safety of a resident or their property could be compromised.

CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

HCV PASS / FAIL: Fail

HCV CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

INSPECTION PROCESS:

- OBSERVATION:**
- Look at the retaining wall while standing parallel to determine if the wall is standing upright.
 - Verify the wall is not more than 90 degrees from the base of the slope.

- REQUEST FOR HELP:**
- None

- ACTION:**
- Measure the retaining wall to verify the height is 24 inches or greater.
 - If it is not at least 24 inches, then it is not subject to inspection.

- MORE INFORMATION:**
- If the retaining wall is leaning (sloped) toward the fill side, do not cite a deficiency.
 - If present, inspect the guardrail under the Guardrail standard.

DEFICIENCY 2 — OUTSIDE: RETAINING WALL IS PARTIALLY OR COMPLETELY COLLAPSED.

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: Retaining wall is partially or completely collapsed.

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: Moderate The Moderate Health and Safety category includes deficiencies that, if evident in the home or on the property, present a moderate risk of an adverse medical event requiring a healthcare visit; cause temporary harm; or if left untreated, cause or worsen a chronic condition that may have long-lasting adverse health effects; or that the physical security or safety of a resident or their property could be compromised.

CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

HCV PASS / FAIL: Fail

HCV CORRECTION TIMEFRAME: 30 days

INSPECTION PROCESS:

OBSERVATION: - Look at the entire retaining wall for signs of collapse.

REQUEST FOR HELP: - None

ACTION: - None

More Information: - None
