Construction Inspection Checklist

A construction inspection checklist for verifying workmanship and quality at each building stage.

Inspected by _____ Date _____

Unit / ID _____ Location _____

Site and foundation	OK	DEFECT	N/A
Verify site grading, drainage and erosion controls.	☐	☐	☐
Check excavation depth, soil conditions and compaction.	☐	☐	☐
Confirm footing dimensions, rebar size and placement.	☐	☐	☐
Inspect formwork alignment, bracing and dimensions.	☐	☐	☐
Verify foundation waterproofing and damp-proofing.	☐	☐	☐
Check anchor bolts and embedded items before the pour. Confirm a code-required foundation inspection is passed before backfilling.	☐	☐	☐

Structural framing	OK	DEFECT	N/A
Verify framing members match the structural drawings.	☐	☐	☐
Check stud, joist and rafter spacing and sizing.	☐	☐	☐
Confirm headers, beams and load paths are correct.	☐	☐	☐
Inspect connections, fasteners and hardware.	☐	☐	☐
Check that openings are framed to plan dimensions.	☐	☐	☐
Verify the structure is plumb, level and square.	☐	☐	☐

Mechanical, electrical and plumbing rough-in	OK	DEFECT	N/A
Confirm electrical rough-in, boxes and wire gauge match plans.	☐	☐	☐
Pressure-test and inspect plumbing supply and drain lines.	☐	☐	☐
Verify HVAC ductwork routing, sizing and supports.	☐	☐	☐
Check that penetrations are properly sealed and fire-stopped.	☐	☐	☐
Confirm fixtures and equipment locations match drawings.	☐	☐	☐
Inspect for code clearances and accessibility before cover-up.	☐	☐	☐

Insulation and envelope	OK	DEFECT	N/A
Verify insulation type and R-value meet specifications.	☐	☐	☐
Check vapor barriers and air sealing for continuity.	☐	☐	☐
Inspect window and door flashing and weatherproofing.	☐	☐	☐
Confirm exterior cladding installation and fastening.	☐	☐	☐
Check roofing materials, underlayment and flashing.	☐	☐	☐
Verify drainage planes and weep paths are clear.	☐	☐	☐

Interior finishes	OK	DEFECT	N/A
Inspect drywall finish, seams and surface quality.	☐	☐	☐
Check paint coverage, color and edges.	☐	☐	☐
Verify flooring installation, levelness and transitions.	☐	☐	☐
Inspect cabinetry, millwork and trim alignment.	☐	☐	☐
Confirm fixtures, hardware and accessories are installed correctly.	☐	☐	☐
Check tile layout, grout lines and waterproofing.	☐	☐	☐

Final and systems verification	OK	DEFECT	N/A
Test electrical outlets, switches and GFCI protection.	☐	☐	☐
Confirm plumbing fixtures operate without leaks.	☐	☐	☐
Verify HVAC heating, cooling and airflow performance.	☐	☐	☐
Check that life-safety and fire systems function correctly.	☐	☐	☐
Review the punch list and confirm corrections are complete.	☐	☐	☐
Document findings with photos and a signed inspection report.	☐	☐	☐

Notes / defects found