

## Cabinets

Definition: Boxes with or without doors mounted to the wall and/or floor, designed for storage of food and other household items.

Name cupboards, linen cabinet, vanity cabinet  
Variants:

Most wood, metal, laminate, glass, plastic  
Common  
Materials:

Most doors, drawers, hinges, knobs, slide track, shelves  
Common  
Components:

## Location and Inspection of Cabinets

Abilities or Knowledge Needed:	- Visual acuity for location & inspection - Mobility for access to all areas of the property - Understanding of item's components
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Tools for Location & Inspection	Useful:	Flashlight
	Required:	none

Common Locations:	Unit/Inside:	kitchens, bathrooms, laundry
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How to Locate:	Visual Observation:	Look in kitchens near kitchen appliances. Look in bathrooms near the sink
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Possible Deficiencies:	Deficiency 1:	Cabinets missing in dwelling unit kitchen
	Deficiency 2:	Drawer and door will not open or close
	Deficiency 3:	Drawer and door is missing

## Deficiency 1: Cabinets missing in dwelling unit kitchen

Rationale:	Maintenance:	Indicates maintenance staff is not identifying deficiencies or responding to self-generated or complaint-driven work orders.
	Health and Safety:	Prevents resident from having the ability to properly store food, which increases the probability that the food could be exposed to infestation.
	Operability:	Prevents proper use of cabinets.

Health and Safety	Standard:	This is a standard health and safety issued requiring a correction, remedy, or act of abatement within 30 days.
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How to Inspect:	Visual Observation:	Look in the kitchen and visibly confirm that cabinets are installed.
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Record deficiency if:		Cabinets missing in dwelling unit kitchen
	<b>Please Note:</b>	<b>For the purposes of this inspection, only kitchens within dwelling units are required to have cabinets.</b>

**Deficiency 2: Cabinet Drawer and door will not open or close.**

Rationale:	Maintenance:	Indicates maintenance staff is not identifying deficiencies or responding to self-generated or complaint-driven work orders.
	Health and Safety:	Prevents resident from having the ability to properly store food, which increases the probability that the food could be exposed to infestation Increases the probability that a resident might injure themselves running into a cabinet that will not close.
	Operability:	Prevents proper use of cabinets.

Health and Safety	Standard:	This is a standard health and safety issued requiring a correction, remedy, or act of abatement within 30 days.
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How to Inspect:	Visual Observation:	Approach at the cabinets in all kitchens and bathrooms and identify a handle, knob, or means to open them.
	Action:	Attempt to open every drawer and door. Drawers and doors should open fully until stopped by the inherent limitations of the hinges or slide tracks. (Some slide tracks do not have stops. In these instances, open drawer until you can see the back of drawer.)
	Action: bathroom.	Count the total number of cabinets in both the kitchen and in the  Count how many drawers and doors do not open or close in each of those areas.

Record deficiency if:	50% of drawers and doors will not close in either the kitchen or bathroom.
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## Deficiency 3:      Drawer and door is missing

Rationale:	Maintenance:	Indicates maintenance staff is not identifying deficiencies or responding to self-generated or complaint-driven work orders.
	Operability:	Prevents proper use of cabinets.
Health and Safety	N/A:	This is a non-health and safety issue and should be corrected, remedied, or abated in accordance to the POA's established maintenance plans and/or program requirements.
How to Inspect:	Visual Observation:	Look at the cabinets.
	Action:	Count the total number of cabinets in both the kitchen and in the bathroom. Count how many drawers and doors are missing in each of those areas.
Record deficiency if:	50% of drawers and doors in the kitchen or bathroom are missing.	