

## Graffiti

Definition: any unapproved or unauthorized text, images, or symbols that are penned, painted, sprayed, or scratched on any permanent surface or structure of the property

Please Note: Chalk markings are not included as “graffiti” for the purposes of this inspection.

Name Variants: scribblings, art, murals, defacement, tags

Most Common Materials: paint, magic marker, pen, ink

Most Common Components: N/A

## Location & Inspection of Graffiti

Abilities or Knowledge Needed:	- Visual acuity for location & inspection - Mobility for access to all areas of the property
Tools for Location & Inspection	Useful: n/a Required: length measuring device
Common Locations:	Unit/Inside: hallways, stairwells, mechanical rooms, community rooms, offices, storage, entryway, walls, floors, ceilings, doors Outside: decks, patios, detached buildings, walls, floors, fences, sidewalks, balconies, doors
How to Locate:	Visual Observation: Look in common locations for text, images, or symbols done by hand that do not appear to be part of the property's intended design.
Possible Deficiencies:	Deficiency 1: Graffiti is present

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Rationale:	Maintenance:	Indicates maintenance staff is not identifying deficiencies or responding to self-generated or complaint-driven work orders.
	Health and Safety:	Increases stress level of residents if they interpret graffiti as indication of an unsafe property.
	Public Perception:	Indicates poor quality of property.

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.
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How to Inspect:	Action:	Measure—if incident of graffiti is present—the size of the incident using a length measuring device.
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Record deficiency if:	graffiti is present and is at least 8.5 x 11 inches in size.
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