

TITLE: [GRAFFITI](#)  
VERSION: V2.1  
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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.

PURPOSE: None

NAME VARIANTS: Art; Murals; Defacement; Tags; Wall writings

COMMON MATERIALS: Paint; Marker; Ink

COMMON COMPONENTS: None

LOCATION:  Unit None  
 Inside Hallways, stairwells, mechanical rooms, community rooms, offices, storage areas, entryways, walls, floors, ceilings, doors  
 Outside Decks, patios, detached buildings, walls, floors, fences, sidewalks, balconies, doors

MORE INFORMATION: Chalk markings are not included as “graffiti” for the purposes of this inspection. Not to include approved or authorized murals that are some form of art that is largely identified as being a work of art.

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DEFICIENCY I: Graffiti is present.

LOCATION:  Inside  Outside

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DEFICIENCY I — INSIDE: [GRAFFITI IS PRESENT.](#)

DEFICIENCY CRITERIA: On one wall, graffiti is present and cumulatively equals 1 square foot or greater.  
 OR  
 Graffiti is determined to be obscene, vulgar, inappropriate, or offensive.

HEALTH AND SAFETY DETERMINATION: Standard The Standard 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

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RATIONALE:

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PPI	Market Appeal	Direct	If this defect occurs, HUD or the property would suffer reputational harm.	If graffiti is present, then a visitor will likely see this, and it will influence their opinion of the property.

INSPECTION PROCESS:

- OBSERVATION: - None
- REQUEST FOR HELP: - Ask the POA if the graffiti is authorized.
- ACTION: - If present and unauthorized, measure each instance of graffiti.
- More Information: - None

TOOLS OR EQUIPMENT:

REQUIRED: - Distance measuring device

USEFUL: - Flashlight

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**SUMMARY OF CHANGES**

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FIELD	CHANGE	VERSION	DATE
----	Copyedits	V2.1	2021-04-02
Deficiency I		V2.0	2020-10-28
Health and Safety Determination	Added standardized description		
HCV Pass / Fail	Field added; response input as "Fail"		
Overall Formatting	Complete rework of document format and layout	VI.3	2020-07-31
Purpose	Field added	VI.3	2020-07-31
Name Variants	Revised name variants	VI.3	2020-07-31
Common Materials	Revised common materials	VI.3	2020-07-31
Location	Revised inspectable locations	VI.3	2020-07-31
More Information	Field added	VI.3	2020-07-31
Deficiency I	Separated by inspectable locations — Inside and Outside	VI.3	2020-07-31
Title	Added inspectable locations		
Deficiency Criteria	Revised deficiency criteria		
Health and Safety Determination	Revised to "Standard" determination; added standardized description		
Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as "Within 30 days"		
HCV — Correction Timeframe	Field added; response input as "Within 30 days"		
Rationale	Revised rationale categories, types, and explanations; added standardized codes and descriptions		
Inspection Process	Revised observation, request for help, action, and more information		
Tools or Equipment	Field added to deficiency; response revised		
Rationales	Updated following in-house review and public comment	VI-2	2019-12-26

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Health and Safety Determinations

Updated following in-house review and public comment

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