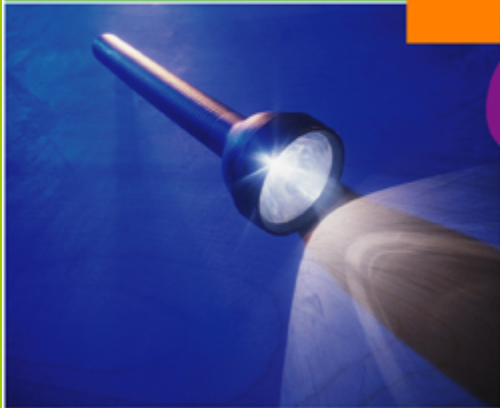


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McDonald Home Inspection, Inc. is owned and operated by Jim McDonald, a life-long resident of Rockford, IL and vicinity with strong community ties. MHI is not a franchise with a revolving stable of novice inspectors. All home inspections are performed by me, an inspector with over 30 combined years in residential, multi-family, and commercial building, rehabilitation and inspection.

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To schedule your inspection (usually within 48 hours):

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Stinky Problem: Septic Backup

From Belvidere, IL

Q: It never fails. Or maybe I should more correctly say it always fails. Each time we get a downpour, our septic tank backs up into the yard. My daughter's wedding is next month, at our home! Help! What can we do?

A: Not an uncommon problem, unfortunately. Septic systems fail for several reasons but failure to do regular maintenance is the

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most likely culprit. For tips to get out from under this stink of a problem and save this marriage (!), visit the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) site at:

<http://cfpub.epa.gov/owm/septic/homeowners.cfm>

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