

# Conventional

## Class 1

### Class features

Structures in this class are built in a simple design with low-cost, modest construction . Emphasis is on basic shelter—these houses do not meet sound minimum building standards. The structures often lack a planned design. Building additions are common and may contain materials not compatible with the original construction, resulting in a poor plan and/or appearance. Undersized or over-spaced structural members are common, leading to sagging and buckling. Some desirable service features are either lacking or of minimal quality. Interior components may consist of one small bedroom, one small bath, and a combination kitchen, dining room, and living room.

These dwellings are usually in older, deteriorating, urban neighborhoods remote recreation areas, or areas that lacked building code requirements when the structure was built.

### Class Illustrations



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### Class 1 (cont.)

Item	Base Specifications
<b>Foundation</b>	Minimal excavation for pier footings; frame foundation; enclosed sidewalls to grade; masonry piers.
<b>Exterior Wall</b>	Over-spaced stud or comparable frame construction; painted single siding; slab panel exterior doors; few small windows.
<b>Roof</b>	Gable or shed design; wood frame construction; undersized or over-spaced ceiling joists and rafters; poor quality solid sheathing; composition roll cover; open rafter ends.
<b>Floor</b>	Undersized or over-spaced wood joist construction; light underpinning; single softwood flooring; print linoleum in kitchen and bath.
<b>Partitions</b>	Undersized or over-spaced wood frame construction; sealed walls, papered or painted; similar material for ceiling cover and interior cover of exterior wall; minimal trim; very few low-cost doors.
<b>Interior Components</b>	Minimum cupboards; rough storage shelving.
<b>Electrical</b>	Entry service; minimum capacity, low-quality wiring; very few wall switches and outlets; low quality light fixtures.
<b>Plumbing</b>	Rough-in plumbing costs only.
<b>Heating-Cooling</b>	None in base specifications.
<b>Exterior Components</b>	Minimal open entry porch; wood steps and floor; small attached unsealed roof projection slightly wider than entry door.