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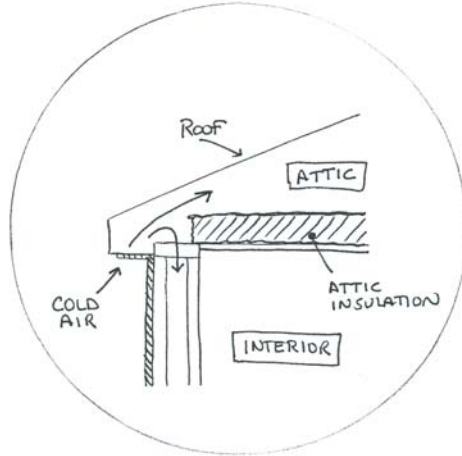


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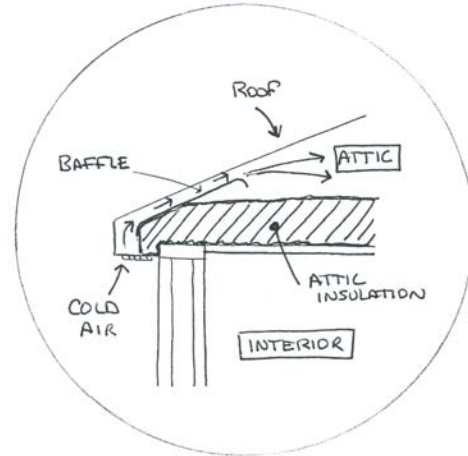
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Ceiling Condensation

Poor Insulation



Correct Insulation



When insulation does not cover the wall header boards, cold air can enter the exterior walls. This condition mixed with the warm interior air will cause condensation to form at the ceiling leading to moisture damage and mold growth.

The solution is simple. Air baffles need to be installed to prevent restricting the air flow from the soffit vents and additional insulation needs to be added to cover and protect the wall header area.

Thus, the attic can still breath properly and the interior walls are properly insulated. A thorough home inspection can usually identify this condition either from the attic inspection or from prior stains or condensation on the ceilings.

If your home inspector suggests corrective actions or further evaluation, do not put this at the bottom of your to do list...consequences can be costly.



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