

# Archadeck of Nashville Announces Deck Inspections

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**Archadeck of Nashville is now offering deck inspections for new and existing clients  
Deck safety is important.**

([Newswire.net](http://Newswire.net) -- June 23, 2015) Lebanon , TN --Archadeck of Nashville, a leading company in the outdoor living industry, is pleased to offer new and existing clients free deck inspection. Although a beautiful deck can be just the right feature to enhance any home and step up the elegance and uniqueness of outdoor entertaining, an unsafe deck can be catastrophic. The scariest part is that defects and potential hazards may not even be noticeable to the untrained eye. To ensure deck safety, the team of trained professionals at Archadeck of Nashville will provide clients with a deck inspection free of

charge.

Archadeck uses the acronym BE SAFER as part of the inspection process and to ensure that all deck components - boards, every connection, structure, attachments, footings, exits and rails - are inspected properly. Boards are checked for splintering and warping which can cause a deck to be unsafe to walk on. Every connection is inspected including fasteners and metal hardware, which should create a path that is continuous and makes the deck safe and stable.

Both the type and condition of every connector is checked. Structure is another crucial element of any deck. The condition of posts, beams and joists are determined and if any sagging is occurring, it is time to replace these structural parts. Many decks have a house band where the deck and house are connected. This is an especially important area to inspect as many decks are improperly attached and flashed to a home, which often leads to rot and damage to the structural material supporting exterior walls. The condition of screws and bolts is assessed to ensure that the attachment is secure and that proper fasteners were used to support the intended load capacity of the structure. The footings, which support the weight and load of the deck, are checked for sagging, which can cause additional stress on the deck framing and connection to the house. Exits are typically stairways composed of stair stringers, treads and risers, which need to be checked for cracks, warping, and proper connection to the deck. In addition, rail posts are checked by [Archadeck](http://Archadeck) to make sure that the railing, which protects people from falling off the deck, is secure. When all components are up to par, homeowners can rest assured that their deck is safe and structurally sound, thus ensuring the safety of guests and family members.

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