

Because there are so many variables that can affect a home that have nothing to do with the foundation, we've created a quick guide to shoot ya' straight on some common signs around your home and help you determine whether the things you're seeing are a cause for concern.

Cracks in Foundation



Typically there is a cosmetic skim coating applied to the exterior of the foundation once the forms come off. Cracks can develop there for multiple reasons without there being an actual issue with the foundation.

Drywall Cracks



Hairline cracks, especially ones at tape seams, are signs of typical movement. Several factors can cause drywall cracks, such as changes in humidity, condition of framing, consistency of joint compound, etc.



Cracks in the foundation that have separation and are deeper than the skim coat can be a sign of a more serious issue.



However, diagonal cracks with separation, especially at windows and door frames, can be a sign of foundation movement and could need additional evaluation.

Cracks in Brick/Rock



Hairline cracks through the middle of the rocks or bricks are signs of typical settlement or changes from moisture and temperature.

Cracked Tile



Hairline cracks in individual tiles are somewhat common and are not indicative of an issue with the foundation. There could be issues with the bond adhesion or the underlayment.



Stair-step cracks through the mortar with separation can be a sign of a potential deflection in the foundation and warrant further investigation.



Cracks that run through multiple tiles in a straight line (especially with separation) could be a sign that something needs to be addressed.

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We know this list can't cover everything. If you'd like to take some pictures and shoot 'em over to photos@welevelit.com, we would be happy to check 'em out and let you know whether it's something to be concerned about.