16.7.4 Accepting the Job

There could be many more punch-list construction deficiencies, large and small, structural and cosmetic, that are identified by the owners and their design professionals near the end of the job.

Structure-related items are the most serious. In addition to the ones described above, these might include poorly made framing connections such as loose, missing, or improperly tightened bolts and sloppy welds. Some members might be mislocated or have an insufficient length of bearing. Exposed panel fasteners might not be well aligned or properly tightened; applying too little torque to the screws with neoprene washers can leave the penetration unprotected; applying too much can dimple the panel. Identification of these problems is best left to experienced construction inspectors or engineers retained by the owner.

Sloppy fit-up causes appearance problems which may lead not to structural distress but certainly to an emotional one. Door jambs out of plumb, 1-in-wide caulked joints, and sagging gutters are difficult to miss. Field-formed roof and wall panels seem to suffer more than their share of problems with rusting, buckling, oil canning, and poor fit-up.

A convenient job completion checklist used by the builders of Star Building Systems, and similar to the one originally developed by MBMA, is reproduced with permission in Fig. 16.11. Intended mainly for steel erectors, the checklist may prove beneficial to owners and design professionals in their quest to realize the full benefits of metal building systems. A properly constructed metal building system provides an aesthetically appealing, practical, and virtually maintenance-free environment for many years.

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JOB COMPLETION CHECK LIST

CUSTOMER'S NAME_____

BUILDING SIZE_____

LOCATION_____

		Yes	No
I.	**STRUCTURAL INSPECTION**		
a.	Are all anchor bolts washered and properly nutted?	____	____
b.	Is steel plumb, square, and aligned?	____	____
c.	Are required brace rods tight with necessary bevel washers?	____	____
d.	Do base plates align properly with concrete?	____	____
e.	Have all connections been properly made and fully bolted according to plans and specifications?	____	____
f.	Are High Tensile bolts in place and torqued as required?	____	____
g.	Are eave struts, main building and canopies, straight and level?	____	____
h.	Are purlins and girts properly made up and in good alignment without roll-over and with all sag rods in place?	____	____
i.	Have all component parts, ridge sag rods, clip angles, haunch and flange braces, etc., as called for on erection drawings, been properly installed?	____	____
j.	Is structural primer clean, with shop coat in good condition and any erection marks, burn and/or smoke properly repainted?	____	____
k.	Have exposed structural members with shop primer been given a field coat?	____	____
l.	Are headers and jambs for framed openings straight, unwarped and erected plumb and square, are unused holes in the opening filled with bolts?	____	____
m.	Was any burning or welding, not ordered on erection drawings, necessary? If yes, explain on reverse side.	____	____
n.	Are any structural components bent, warped, or dented? If yes, identify these areas on erection drawing and return with this form.	____	____
II.	**SHEETING AND TRIM**		
a.	Have roof and wall sheets been properly aligned, lapped and fully fastened?	____	____

FIGURE 16.11 Job completion checklist. (*Star Building Systems.*)