

**LIMITED RESIDENTIAL WARRANTY
ON LAMINATE FLOORING FINISH**

Beaulieu warrants to the original purchaser of its laminated flooring product that the surface will not wear through, stain or fade from sunlight or artificial light for a period of twenty-five (25) years. Wear through is defined as a total loss of pattern for a minimum of 2 square inches (13 cm²); loss of gloss is not considered wear-through. The warranty period runs from the date of purchase and covers only product used under normal residential conditions.

This general warranty or parts thereof are subject to restrictions and limitations, excluding those generally accepted by the industry to not apply to laminate flooring.

**LIMITED COMMERCIAL WARRANTY
ON LAMINATE FLOORING FINISH**

PLEASE NOTE WE RECOMMEND CONTACTING YOUR TERRITORY MANAGER TO HAVE YOUR PROJECT PRE-APPROVED FOR WARRANTY; OTHERWISE THE SUITABILITY OF THE PRODUCT BECOMES THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE OWNER OR INSTALLER.

Beaulieu warrants to the original purchaser of its laminate flooring product that the surface finish will not wear through, stain or fade from sunlight or artificial light for a period of seven (7) years under conditions of moderate commercial traffic and for a period of three (3) years under conditions of general commercial traffic from the date of purchase subject to restrictions and limitations set out below.

Areas that are considered as having moderate traffic include private offices, hotel guest rooms, meeting rooms, multi-housing common areas and hallways.

General traffic areas include hotel or school corridors and lobbies, auditoriums, classrooms, general offices, boutiques, restaurants, retail sales floors.

Other than the designation of the limited commercial warranty period, this general warranty is still subject to restrictions and limitations, excluding those generally accepted by the industry to not apply to laminate flooring.

If a defect covered by these warranties appears during the warranty period, Beaulieu will, at its discretion, repair or replace the defective product. Labour costs for removal and reinstallation of product are not included.

These limited warranties do not include the cost of moving furniture or other heavy objects. The owner is responsible for providing a clear floor area to allow warranty repair work to be carried out without hindrance. The replacement product is warranted for the remainder of the original warranty period.

General limitations, terms and conditions

Beaulieu laminate flooring carries the specific warranties listed above. The following terms and conditions apply to these warranties. If you have any questions regarding the warranty information, please contact your retailer.

- 1. Installation.** Failure to follow the provided installation instructions may void the warranty. These instructions are located inside each box. Damage resulting from improper storage, handling or installation are not covered by this warranty as well as damage resulting from poor or defective workmanship. Beaulieu laminate must never be installed outdoors nor in bathrooms. Do not install cabinets or kitchen islands on your floating floors.
- 2. Visible defects.** Before and during installation, all planks must be inspected under sufficient lighting to detect any visible material defects. Under no circumstance should defective planks be installed. Beaulieu will not be held liable for labour costs related to the removal of these defective planks. Any defective planks must be put aside and the retailer must be informed in writing within thirty (30) days, after which no further claim may be submitted. Beaulieu reserves the right to refuse a claim if the amount of defective planks is less than 5% of total install. Colour and gloss variations resulting from adding material to an existing installation are not covered by this warranty.
- 3. Abnormal use.** This warranty does not cover floors that have been put through abnormal use or conditions or abused in any way. This includes, but is not limited to, damage caused by standing liquid or water leaks, damage from falling objects, damage caused by dragging objects or furniture, neglect, pets, stiletto shoes, pebbles or abrasive materials, and improper maintenance. To prevent such damage, wipe up any spilled liquid immediately, keep your pet's nails trimmed, install protective pads on the feet of the furniture and use a suitable mat at all entryways.
- 4. Accidents and natural disasters.** This warranty does not cover any accidental damage to the product nor any natural disasters that may damage the floor. This includes, but is not limited to, damage from fire and smoke, floods, earthquakes, storms, broken pipes or any other plumbing related failures.
- 5. Climate.** This warranty does not cover damage to the product resulting from exposure to extreme heat or cold nor from extremely humid or dry conditions. Exposure to such conditions will void this warranty. Temperature levels must be maintained between 60 and 85 °F (15 and 29 °C) at all times while relative humidity levels must be kept between 35 and 65% at all times.
- 6. Subfloor and underlayment.** Problems resulting from improper subfloors or underlayment may void this warranty. Damages and/or noise (squeaking) resulting from excessive subfloor deflection, improper joist assembly, irregular subfloor or subfloors with voids will not be covered by this warranty. This warranty will not cover damage from water or moisture trapped underneath the floor. Humidity tests on wooden and concrete subfloors must be undertaken before installing the product. The maximum allowable humidity level for a wooden subfloor is 14% using a proper moisture meter. The maximum allowable moisture emission for concrete is 5 lb/24h/1000 sq. ft. using the calcium chloride test and any installation over concrete must include an underlayment that contains a vapour barrier with a minimum of 6-8 mils (0.15-0.20 mm) thick polyethylene film.

- 7. Care and maintenance.** Failure to properly maintain and care for the product may result in voiding this warranty. Prolonged exposure to liquids may damage the laminate flooring, therefore spilled liquids must be wiped up immediately. Cleaning with excess water or the use of inappropriate cleaners will void the warranty. This product must never be waxed, polished nor steam cleaned. Scratches caused by sand or grit will also not be covered.
- 8. Second quality and clear-outs.** Only first quality goods are covered by this warranty. Products sold as second quality or as part of a promotion are considered sold “as is” and are not covered by Beaulieu’s warranty.

GENERAL

These warranties apply only to the original purchaser and to flooring in its original installation, and are not transferable. Ensure you keep your original receipt as proof of purchase. If a problem appears which is covered by these warranties, the original purchaser must contact the dealer within thirty (30) days of detecting the issue to describe the problem.

Beaulieu reserves the right at any time to modify or discontinue any of its products and will not be liable as a result of any such change. If original product or colour is no longer available, Beaulieu may substitute reasonably comparable products.

The consumer and installer are responsible for final inspection and approval prior to permanent installation. Before installing, lay out the flooring, blending the planks from several cartons to determine optimum appearance. Beaulieu is not responsible for labour costs to replace visibly defective product after installation.

No person other than a Beaulieu claims department representative is authorized to accept or refuse a warranty claim. No person is authorized to waive or modify the terms of this warranty. Beaulieu reserves the right to designate a representative to inspect the floor and remove samples for analysis prior to accepting or refusing any claim. No repairs (except for urgent and necessary repairs) may be made until after such inspection or until Beaulieu indicates that such inspection is not required.

PERCENTAGE OF COST REIMBURSEMENT

RESIDENTIAL 25 YEARS		RESIDENTIAL 20 YEARS		RESIDENTIAL 10 YEARS	
CLAIM REPORTED	% OF COVERAGE	CLAIM REPORTED	% OF COVERAGE	CLAIM REPORTED	% OF COVERAGE
1 ST YEAR	100%	1 ST YEAR	100%	1 ST YEAR	100%
2 ND YEAR	100%	2 ND YEAR	95%	2 ND YEAR	80%
3 RD YEAR	100%	3 RD YEAR	90%	3 RD YEAR	60%
4 TH YEAR	100%	4 TH YEAR	85%	4 TH YEAR	40%
5 TH YEAR	100%	5 TH YEAR	80%	5 TH YEAR	20%
6 TH YEAR	100%	6 TH YEAR	75%	6 TH YEAR	10%
7 TH YEAR	95%	7 TH YEAR	70%	7 TH YEAR	5%
8 TH YEAR	90%	8 TH YEAR	65%		
9 TH YEAR	85%	9 TH YEAR	60%		
10 TH YEAR	80%	10 TH YEAR	55%		
11 TH YEAR	75%	11 TH YEAR	50%		
12 TH YEAR	70%	12 TH YEAR	45%		
13 TH YEAR	65%	13 TH YEAR	40%		
14 TH YEAR	60%	14 TH YEAR	35%		
15 TH YEAR	55%	15 TH YEAR	30%		
16 TH YEAR	50%	16 TH YEAR	25%		
17 TH YEAR	45%	17 TH YEAR	20%		
18 TH YEAR	40%	18 TH YEAR	15%		
19 TH YEAR	35%	19 TH YEAR	10%		
21 ST YEAR	25%				
22 ND YEAR	20%				
23 RD YEAR	15%				
24 TH YEAR	10%				
25 TH YEAR	5%				

COMMERCIAL 7 YEARS		COMMERCIAL 5 YEARS		COMMERCIAL 3 YEARS	
CLAIM REPORTED	% OF COVERAGE	CLAIM REPORTED	% OF COVERAGE	CLAIM REPORTED	% OF COVERAGE
1 ST YEAR	100%	1 ST YEAR	100%	1 ST YEAR	100%
2 ND YEAR	80%	2 ND YEAR	75%	2 ND YEAR	50%
3 RD YEAR	60%	3 RD YEAR	50%	3 RD YEAR	25%
4 TH YEAR	40%	4 TH YEAR	25%		
5 TH YEAR	20%	5 TH YEAR	10%		
6 TH YEAR	10%				
7 TH YEAR	5%				

LIMITATION OF IMPLIED WARRANTY

The duration of any implied warranty including, without limitation, implied warranties or merchantability or implied warranties of fitness are expressly limited to the duration of the applicable warranty period. Some Canadian provinces and U.S.A. states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

EXCLUSION OF CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES

Beaulieu hereby excludes coverage of all consequential damages of any kind resulting from the breach of these warranties or from any failure to perform under the terms of these warranties including, without limitation, any damage to the building in which the flooring is installed or to the property contained therein, any injuries sustained by any person or any economic losses, commercial losses, loss of time, loss of use of the building or incidental charges such as telephone, travel or lodging expenses. Some Canadian provinces and U.S.A. states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

The warranties described above are the sole and exclusive warranties provided by Beaulieu. Beaulieu disclaims all other express warranties, whether oral or written, and Beaulieu is not responsible or liable for any promises, representations, commitments or agreements made by employees, agents or representatives of Beaulieu which are not in accordance with the warranty above.

These warranties give you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from province to province (state to state in the U.S.A.). These warranties do not modify or limit those rights but shall run concurrently with them.

CANADA ONLY

Any provision of this warranty which is incompatible with some public order legislation will not invalidate the remaining provisions of these warranties. Some legislation may forbid restrictions upon warranties granted by law. In cases covered by such legislation, these restrictions do not apply.

HOMEOWNER OBLIGATIONS

If by any chance the product underperforms its expectations and to ensure a fast and easy warranty claim, please keep at least four (4) pieces of flooring for testing purposes. Also ensure to keep the original sales receipt. Make sure the flooring was installed according to this document and keep a list of products used to clean the floor.

The warranty terms set out above apply to all products sold after June 3rd, 2015 and replaces all previous warranties.

For more information on Beaulieu and its products, please visit:

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