

GAF Decking Systems Smart Choice® System Plus Limited Warranty

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Congratulations! Thank you for purchasing products from GAF Decking Systems LLC. This warranty covers (1) your DuraLife™ Natural Grain Collection and Siesta™ Collection Decking, fascia board, corner trim and Sabre™ Clip, and Fastenator® Clips and (2) your DuraLife™ RailWays® Universal Railing products, including Uni-Ball™ Connectors and all components, (except lighting and secondary guard rails). These decking and railing products are collectively referred to as your "GAF Decking System." While many factors can affect how long your GAF Decking System will last, this Limited Warranty covers your GAF Decking System in the unlikely event that any component contains a manufacturing defect.

What Is Covered By This Limited Warranty

GAF Warranty Company LLC, a subsidiary of GAF Decking Systems LLC (collectively "GAF"); warrants that your GAF Decking System will remain free from manufacturing defects that adversely affect its performance during the warranty term and shall not split, splinter, or suffer structural damage from termites.

Who Is Covered By This Limited Warranty

You are covered by this warranty if you live in the United States or Canada and are the original property owner/consumer (i.e., not a builder or installer) or the first subsequent owner if this warranty was properly transferred and your GAF Decking System is NOT installed in an environment designed for public use and subject to a high level of traffic.

This Limited Warranty may be transferred one time only. The second owner must notify GAF in writing within 60 days after the property transfer for warranty coverage to be transferred. (Other than this one transfer, this warranty may not be transferred or assigned, directly or indirectly.) If the transfer takes place within the first five years, the second owner has the same coverage as the original owner. If the transfer takes place after the initial five year period, the length of this warranty shall be reduced to the two-year period after ownership changes but otherwise has the same coverage as the original owner.

Your Sole And Exclusive Remedy

Even if your claim is on components of your GAF Decking System other than the deck itself, the warranty term and remedy are based on which decking product was installed.

Decking Product Installed	Warranty Term (100% Material & Installation Labor)
DuraLife™ Natural Grain Collection	25 years
DuraLife™ Siesta™ Collection	30 years

GAF will pay you the full reasonable cost of labor to repair or replace any defective GAF Decking System products and will provide replacement GAF Decking System products, or their reasonable cost, at GAF's sole option, necessary to repair your GAF Decking System. GAF will pay to tear off your GAF Decking System and to dispose of it, if necessary.

Limitations On Coverage

Unlike some warranties, this limited warranty remains in effect even if your GAF Decking System was not properly installed according to GAF's application instructions or

standard good construction practices. However, GAF will NOT compensate you for:

- (1) Damages resulting from anything other than an inherent manufacturing defect in your GAF Decking System products such as:
 - (a) application of your GAF Decking System not in strict accordance with GAF's printed application instructions or building codes, or in an application not recommended by GAF, if the improper installation was the cause of the damage.
 - (b) settlement, movement, or defects in the building, foundation, supporting structure, or ground where the GAF Decking System was applied.
 - (c) inadequate ventilation under your GAF Decking System.
- (2) Damages resulting from causes beyond normal wear and tear, such as:
 - (a) acts of God, such as earthquakes, flooding, lightning, hail, hurricanes, tornadoes, or windstorms.
 - (b) impact of foreign objects or traffic on your GAF Decking System.
 - (c) improper storage or handling of your GAF Decking System.
 - (d) any exposure to or application of paints or any improper cleaning solutions, coatings, liquid chemicals, or exposure to environmental conditions (such as air pollution or fungus, mold, lichen or algae, or other contaminants).
 - (e) mechanical damage, such as scuffing or scratching.
- (3) Fading, shading, or variations in the color of your GAF Decking System, including discoloration caused by normal weathering, chipping, scratching, or fading of the paint on any metal component. NOTE: Color variation occurs naturally during the manufacturing process and should be expected. When exposed to the elements, color variation due to weathering may be uneven because of exposure to different amounts of sunlight.
- (4) Labor and disposal costs, except as specifically provided for above.
- (5) Damage to the interior or exterior of any building, including, but not limited to, mold growth.

Other Limitations And Conditions

Decisions as to the extent of repair required, and the reasonable cost of such work, will be made solely by GAF. GAF reserves the right to arrange directly for your GAF Decking System to be repaired instead of reimbursing you for such work. The remedy under this warranty is available only for that part of your GAF Decking System actually exhibiting manufacturing defects at the time that your claim is settled. Any replacement GAF Decking System products will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period.

GAF reserves the right to discontinue or modify its GAF Decking System products, including the colors available, so any replacement GAF Decking System products may not be an exact match for the GAF Decking System products installed. Even if GAF does not modify a color, replacement GAF Decking System products may not match your original GAF Decking System products due to normal weathering.

Claims: What You Must Do

To file a claim, you must send a notice in writing, together with proof of purchase to establish that you are the original owner (or proof of transfer if the second owner has properly transferred coverage), proof of application date, and a description and pictures of the alleged defect, to: GAF Decking Systems LLC, 9806 Lackman Road, Lenexa, KS 66129, within 30 days after your discovery of the alleged defect.

NOTE: Notice to your contractor, dealer, or home builder is NOT notice to GAF. Within a reasonable time after proper notification, GAF will evaluate your claim and resolve it in accordance with this Warranty. If you replace your GAF Decking System before GAF has an opportunity to evaluate your claim, your claim may be denied. You should have this warranty certificate signed and dated by your contractor, dealer, or home builder to help establish proof of purchase and related information. You should retain this warranty for your records in the event that you need to file a claim.

Sole and Exclusive Warranty

THIS WARRANTY IS EXCLUSIVE AND REPLACES ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, CONDITIONS, REPRESENTATIONS, AND GUARANTEES, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WHETHER BY STATUTE, AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, INCLUDING THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. This written warranty is your exclusive warranty from GAF and represents the SOLE REMEDY available to any owner of GAF Decking System products. GAF makes NO OTHER REPRESENTATIONS, CONDITION, GUARANTEE, OR WARRANTY of any kind other than that stated herein. GAF WILL NOT BE LIABLE IN ANY EVENT FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, PUNITIVE, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR OTHER SIMILAR DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, including DAMAGE TO THE INTERIOR OR EXTERIOR OF ANY BUILDING, whether for breach of this warranty, negligence, strict liability in tort, or for any other cause. Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above exclusions or limitations may not apply to you.

Modification of Warranty

This Limited Warranty may not be changed or modified except in writing, signed by an officer of GAF. No one (other than an officer of GAF) has authority to assume any additional liability or responsibility for GAF in connection with your GAF Decking System except as described in this Warranty. This Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. (NOTE: Warranty subject to change. For current information, visit www.gaf.com or write to GAF Decking Systems LLC, 9806 Lackman Road, Lenexa, KS 66129.)

Effectiveness

This Limited Warranty will not take effect unless all eligibility requirements have been satisfied and your decking contractor has been paid in full.

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*While GAF Warranty Company is the primary warrantor under this warranty, GAF Decking Systems LLC stands behind GAF Warranty Company's obligations hereunder and guarantees that payments will be made.

