

The GAF-Elk Smart Choice[®] TruSlate[™] Limited Warranty

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***Your Best And Safest Choice...
Quality You Can Trust Since 1886!***

Great Protection – The GAF-Elk Smart Choice® TruSlate™ Limited Warranty

Congratulations! Thank you for purchasing TruSlate™ Field and Trim Slate, TruSlate™ TruGrip™ Stainless Steel Hanger and Battens, and UnderBlock™ UV and Moisture Barrier (the “TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components”) from GAF-Elk Corporation (“GAF-Elk”), North America’s largest roofing manufacturer—your best and safest choice. While many factors can affect how long your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components will last, this Smart Choice® TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components Limited Warranty covers your slate components in the unlikely event that they contain a manufacturing defect. It provides great coverage that is “non-prorated” during the crucial up-front period of your ownership (the “Smart Choice® Protection Period”) with continued coverage for an extended period of time afterwards.

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.

This Limited Warranty may be transferred only **once**. The second owner must notify GAF-Elk 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 Smart Choice® Protection Period, the second owner is entitled to the same coverage as the original owner. If the transfer takes place afterwards, the length of this Warranty shall be reduced to the two-year period after ownership changes. If there is a defect during this two-year period, GAF-Elk’s reimbursement to the second owner will be based only on the reasonable cost of replacement TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components, reduced by the amount of use that has been received from the TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components from date of installation.

Manufacturing Defects: What Is Covered/Sole and Exclusive Remedy

GAF-Elk warrants that, when all of the TruSlate Premium Roofing Components referred to above are installed on your roof as a system, your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components will remain free from manufacturing defects that (a) adversely affect their performance during the Smart Choice® Protection Period or (b) cause leaks for the remainder of the warranty term. Note: Slate blow-off/wind damage is covered separately below.

During the Smart Choice® Protection Period (see table 2), GAF-Elk will pay you the full reasonable cost of labor to repair any defective TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components (excluding metal work and flashing other than your TruGrip™ hanger and batten system) and will provide replacement components or the reasonable cost of obtaining replacement components, at GAF-Elk’s sole option. GAF-Elk will not pay to tear off your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components or to dispose of them. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GAF-Elk’s maximum liability under this paragraph shall not exceed \$750 per square.

After the Smart Choice® Protection Period ends, labor will no longer be covered. GAF-Elk’s contribution to you will be based on either providing you with replacement system components as necessary or, at GAF-Elk’s sole option, reimbursing you for the reasonable cost of obtaining replacements. The amount of TruSlate™ components or the reimbursement provided to you will be adjusted to reflect the use you have received from your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components, based on the number of months that have elapsed since the TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components were installed. For roof systems installed by a SlateCrafter™ Specialist and the therefore carry a “lifetime” warranty term, the proration factors in Table 1 will apply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GAF-Elk’s maximum liability under this paragraph shall not exceed \$350 per square.

Table 1

# Of Years Installed	Proration Factor	# Of Years Installed	Proration Factor	# Of Years Installed	Proration Factor
16	75%	25-26	50%	35-40	25%
17-18	70%	27-28	45%	41-50	20%
19-20	65%	29-30	40%	51-Lifetime	10%
21-22	60%	31-32	35%		
23-24	55%	33-34	30%		

Wind Damage/Blow-Offs: What Is Covered/Sole and Exclusive Remedy

This Limited Wind Warranty lasts for 10 years and is **specifically conditioned** on your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components being installed strictly in accordance with GAF-Elk’s application instructions. GAF-Elk warrants to you that your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing components will not blow off or sustain damage from winds (including gusts) up to a maximum wind speed of 90 mph. If your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components are installed using the special high wind application method (see detailed installation instructions at www.gaf.com), then the covered wind speed, including gusts, shall be increased to 130 mph. If your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components do blow off or experience wind damage, GAF-Elk will reimburse you, but only for the reasonable costs of replacing any blown-off slates (exclusive of metal work and flashing other than your TruGrip™ stainless steel hanger and batten system).



Limitations on Coverage

Unlike some roofing product warranties, even if your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components were not properly installed according to GAF-Elk’s application instructions or to standard good roofing practices, this Limited Warranty remains in effect. However, GAF-Elk will **NOT** compensate you for:

- Damages resulting from anything other than inherent manufacturing defects in your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components, such as:
 - Application of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components not in strict accordance with GAF-Elk’s application instructions.
 - settlement, movement or defects in the building, walls, foundation or the roof base over which your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components were applied.
 - inadequate attic ventilation.
- Damages resulting from causes beyond normal wear and tear such as:
 - acts of nature, such as hail, ice damming, or winds, including gusts, above applicable wind speeds in Table 2.
 - impact of foreign objects or traffic on the roof.
 - alterations made after completion of application including, but not limited to, structural changes, equipment installation (such as an air conditioner, heating unit, solar system, or antennas), or other modifications.
 - painting, or application of cleaning solutions, coatings or other modifications.
 - improper storage or handling of TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components.
- Shading or variations in the color of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components or discoloration caused by
 - fungus, mold, lichen, algae or other contaminants, including that caused by organic materials on the roof;
 - fading or weathering of your TruSlate™ slates, or
 - efflorescence.
- Labor costs, except as specifically provided for above and disposal costs
- Imperfections in your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components that do not directly cause leaks, such as lifting, warping, or surface cracks.
- Damages from individual TruSlate™ product(s) that were not installed as part of a system on your roof.
- 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-Elk. GAF-Elk reserves the right to arrange directly for your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components to be repaired instead of reimbursing you for such work. The remedy under this Warranty is available only for the TruSlate™

Premium Roofing Components actually exhibiting manufacturing defects at the time that your claim is settled. Any replacement Component will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period.

GAF-Elk reserves the right to discontinue or modify its TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components, including the colors available, so any replacement TruSlate™ slates may not be an exact match for the TruSlate™ slates on your roof. Even if GAF-Elk does not modify a color, replacement TruSlate™ slates may not match your original slates due to normal weathering, manufacturing variations or other factors.

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), and proof of application date to: GAF-Elk, Warranty Service Department, 1361 Alps Road, Wayne, New Jersey 07470, USA, within 30 days after your discovery of the alleged defect. **NOTE:** Notice to your contractor, dealer, or home builder is **NOT** notice to GAF-Elk. Within a reasonable time after proper notification, GAF-Elk will evaluate your claim and resolve it in accordance with this Warranty. GAF-Elk may require you to submit, at your expense, sample TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components for testing and photographs. You should have your 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-Elk and represents the SOLE REMEDY available to any owner of GAF-Elk’s TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components. GAF-Elk makes NO OTHER REPRESENTATIONS, CONDITION, GUARANTEE, OR WARRANTY of any kind other than that stated herein. GAF-ELK 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-Elk. No one (other than an officer of GAF-Elk) has authority to assume any additional liability or responsibility for GAF-Elk in connection with your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components 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-Elk at 1361 Alps Road, Wayne, NJ 07470 USA, Attn: Warranty Service Department.)

Effective Date

This Limited Warranty is effective for GAF-Elk TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components installed after October 1, 2008.

Table 2 - Wind Coverage For TruSlate Premium Roofing Components

Installer Type	Warranty Term For Manufacturing Defects	Smart Choice® Protection Period	Wind Coverage With Special Installation (mph / km/h)*	Wind Coverage Without Special Installation (mph / km/h)
Non-Certified Installer	25 yrs	10 yrs	130/209	90/145
SlateCrafter™ Specialist	Lifetime	15 yrs	130/209	90/145

*For special high-wind application, see written application instructions enclosed with TruSlate field slates (also available at www.gaf.com).

Smart Choice® TruSlate™ Ltd. Warranty Registration Instructions

- Automatic 25-year Warranty Term For Manufacturing Defects:** Contractor OR property owner can register this warranty online at www.gaf.com/registermywarranty or complete the information below, detach registration form, and mail to GAF-Elk Corporation, P.O. Box 395, Ingomar, PA 15127-0395 USA. (Note: Registration is not required for coverage, but is highly recommended.)
- To obtain the Lifetime Warranty Term For Manufacturing Defects:** Installing contractor MUST be a GAF-Elk SlateCrafter™ Specialist and MUST register this warranty online at GAF-Elk Contractor Zone or complete the information below, detach this form, and mail to GAF-Elk Corporation, CCP Cashier Bldg. 2, 1361 Alps Road, Wayne, NJ 07470 USA. (Note: Registration is required to obtain Lifetime warranty coverage and MUST include contractor’s SlateCrafter™ Specialist #.) Homeowners will be notified via mail that their warranty has been registered.



Smart Choice® TruSlate™ Ltd. Warranty Registration Form

Owner’s Name _____ Phone (_____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip Code/PC _____

Address of property, if different _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip Code/PC _____

Contractor’s Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip Code/PC _____

Contractor’s Phone (_____) _____ SlateCrafter™ Specialist? Yes No

New Construction Re-roofing _____ SlateCrafter™ Specialist # _____

Required Components:

- TruSlate™ field slates
 TruSlate™ trim slates
 TruGrip™ battens & hangers
 UnderBlock™ UV & Moisture Barrier

To assist other homeowners who may be interested in viewing homes with your color and style of shingle, we would like to include your address in our national database. No information other than your address, shingle style, and color will be released.

- Yes**, GAF-Elk may include me in its database to assist other homeowners
 No, please do not include me

Date of Installation _____ Cost of Installation _____ # of Squares _____

Color/Blend _____

Homeowner’s Signature _____

Other Products Installed:

- Ventilation:**
 TruSlate™ Ridge Vent Master Flow® Vent(s)
 Other Vent _____
- Roof Deck Protection:**
 Deck Armor™ VersaShield™
 Shingle-Mate® #30 ASTM D226 compliant felt
- Leak Barrier:**
 Weather Watch® StormGuard®
 UnderRoof™2
 Is Leak Barrier applied to entire deck? Y N

Owner Warranty Record

To be completed by owner and contractor. Keep this warranty record with your contractor’s receipt for future reference. **DO NOT SEND TO GAF-ELK.**

Owner’s Name _____

Address Where Applied _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip Code/PC _____

Contractor’s Name _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip Code/PC _____

Contractor’s Phone (_____) _____

Required Components:
 TruSlate™ field slates TruSlate™ battens & hangers
 TruSlate™ trim slates UnderBlock™ UV & Moisture Barrier

Other Products Installed:
Ventilation:
 TruSlate™ Ridge Vent Other Vent _____
Roof Deck Protection:
 Deck Armor™ VersaShield™
 Shingle-Mate® Other ASTM D226 compliant felt
Leak Barrier:
 Weather Watch® StormGuard®
 UnderRoof™2
 Is Leak Barrier applied to entire deck? Y N

Number of Squares _____ Color _____

Date of application of shingles _____

Total cost of shingles and application _____

Contractor’s Signature _____

Owner’s Signature _____

Date _____

