

WARRANTY CONDITIONS TimbrCORE

TimbrCORE[™] Flooring provides a limited warranty from the date of the purchase.

- When installed in residential areas the warranty period is limited lifetime (to a maximum of 30 years).
- A 5-Year limited commercial warranty is available when installing TimbrCORE[™] Flooring in spaces with light to moderate commercial use.
- For the warranty to apply, professional installation is required.

This Limited Warranty provides protection under normal household conditions* and light / medium commercial use** which relates to:

• Waterproof – Products with labeled with the Aqua Advantage[™] mark withstands damage by topical, localized surface spills, provided the liquid is removed within 72 hours of initial spill. Including vomit, urine and feces from all domestic pets.

- Hygine Easy to clean and maintain. Stain, mold and mildew resistant.
- Wear Resistance Withstands wear and impact from the design layer. Including scratches from domestic pets.***

• Longevity – Extremly durable surface technology ensures the longevity of the product of the life of the warranty. Wear resistance includes the panel edge as well.

*Normal household conditions are defined as those daily activites normally associated with rediential use. Interior temperature and humidy is controlled and properly maintained, and any liquid poured or spilled on the flooring must be removed within 72 hours of initial spill.

**Light to moderate commercial use is defined as use of flooring in a light and medium office setting without heavy commercial traffic. Interior temperature and humidy is controlled and properly maintained, and the flooring must not be exposed to a heavy commercial cleaning schedule.

***Damage caused by domestic pets that have not had proper grooming care are excluded from warranty.

This limited warranty is subject to the following warranty terms and conditions and applies to Paramount TimbrCORE[™] Flooring:

• The Aqua Advantage applies to any product with the Aqua Advantage label and CLIC it! locking system. Any product within this range is warranted against damage by topical, locaized surface spills, provided the liquid is removed within 72 hours of the intial spill.

• The Aqua Advantage covers only topical moisture resulting from normal househouse activites, such as wet shoes, spilled liquids, pet accidents, exposure to wet feet following from bathing activites or similar, provided the liquid is removed as soon as possible and within 72 hours.

• This limited warranty does not cover TimbrCORE[™] Flooring that has been stored or installed in moist environments, such as saunas, spas or pool areas.

- TimbrCORE[™] Flooring must be installed in rooms that are suitable for the product.
- TimbrCORE[™] Flooring must be installed only indoors in climate-controlled areas.

- This limited warranty does not apply to damages
 - caused by water or moisture in the subfloor or underneath the flooring, or to any laminate flooring installed on mineral subfloors without using an appropriate moisture barrier.
 - caused by moisture from standing water, continuous exposure to water or other liquids resulting from leaking pipes, leaking appliances or flooding.
 - from exposure to excessively dry environments, intense heat or stains caused by industrial products or chemicals other than those specifically recommended by the manufacturer for cleaning purposes.
- Damage caused by fluids of any source or type that are not immediately removed is not covered by this limited warranty.

• In case of installation in light to moderate commercial settings, the warranty is limited to a period of 5-years from date of purchase. Paramount Flooring does not warrant the product when it is installed in a setting that subjects the flooring to more than light to moderate commercial use.

• This limited warranty covers hidden defects only. The installation of flooring pieces with obvious visual damage, or other damage which is reasonably discoverable by the floor installer prior to installation will void this limited warranty.

• This limited warranty applies only to first quality product purchases. This limited warranty does not apply to factory seconds, remnant materials, or similar materials which have been discounted due to known imperfections.

• This limited warranty is not transferable, applies only to the initial buyer, and only for the first installation of the laminate flooring.

• This limited warranty does not cover discoloration due to excess exposure to heat and sunlight.

• Installation must strictly comply with the manufacturer instructions. Any installation which does not strictly comply with manufacturer instructions shall void all warranties. The installation instructions should be obtained through a retailer or at www.paramountflooring.com

• This limited warranty does not cover conditions or defects caused by unsuitable sub-flooring or poor sub-floor preparation, incorrect installation, the use of improper adhesives, or damage caused to the product by construction-related activities.

• The Laminate Flooring must be used as intended and according to the instructions for care. This limited warranty does not cover damage to the flooring caused by excessive wear or abuse, including floors subjected to high mechanical impacts or stresses which are not considered ordinary and customary. These conditions include, but are not limited to:

- Damage caused by failure to properly care for, or modification to the TimbrCORE™ Flooring.
- Water damage from plumbing leaks, floods or storms.
- Damage caused by water or moisture trapped beneath the Laminate Flooring including, but not limited to, hydrostatic pressure (water or moisture under the floor that is transmitted to the surface through exerted pressure) or other conditions that result in water or moisture originating below the TimbrCORE[™] Flooring.

• This limited warranty does not apply to flooring which is damaged by improper use or cleaning using chemicals other than those recommended by the manufacturer. In addition the following is excluded from warranty coverage:

- Damage caused by using excessive amounts of liquid when cleaning.
- Damage caused by the use of abrasives, waxes, polishes, soaps or other unsuitable detergents.
- A dulling of the finish due to insufficient or incorrect care and cleaning.
- Damage caused by scrubbers, polishing machines, pressure washers, steam cleaners* or similar products (*TimbrCORE[™] Flooring with Aqua Advantage[™] are approved for steam cleaners).
- Damage caused by furniture with castor wheels, by rotating beater bars, or by pets, toys or other objects.
- Damage caused by caustic chemicals and accidents, burns, scorching or fire.

• "Abrasion" is defined as the complete removal of the decor layer in at least one area that is clearly recognizable and is at least 1 cm2 (0.155 square inch) in size.

• Cracks and splinters that are caused from dropped ordinary household items may be covered under this limited, prodvided, that the object weighs less than 1 lb (0.5 kg) and falls from a height of not more than 36 standard counter height (36 inches, or 90 cm). In order to be subject to redress through this limited warranty, resulting cracks and / or splinters must be clearly visible when viewed from a normal standing height of at least 36 inches (90 cm) above the surface.

• Damage caused by pointed or sharp-edged objects, including improperly covered furniture feet, is excluded from this limited warranty. Ordinary wear and tear and minor scratches of the flooring surface are to be expected and are not covered under this limited warranty.

• Color and gloss level variations due to different product runs are expected and are not covered by this limited warranty.

• This limited warranty does not cover variations of color, shade or texture of the panels that differs from those shown on photographs or samples.

• This limited warranty applies only to the repair and / or replacement of the flooring product itself. Paramount Flooring

is not responsible and cannot be held liable for any loss of time, inconvenience, expenses, secondary damage or other

consequential damages caused by or resulting from a warrantable defect.

• This limited warranty does not apply to any accessories (i.e. floor thresholds, moldings, underlay materials).

• Explanations, samples, and other information about the product contained in brochures, publications, or other marketing tools, or statements made by sales representatives, distributors, or retailers are for general informational purposes only and are not binding upon Paramount Flooring. No sales representatives or distributors shall have any authority whatsoever to establish, expand, or otherwise modify Paramount Flooring limited warranties.

What is the scope of the warranty issued by Paramount Flooring?

After receipt of the warranty claim and confirmation of covered damage, Paramount Flooring will supply a material replacement to the customer from the current range of products (same material, if still available, or material of equal quality and/or value). The material will be delivered free of charge to the initial point of sale. This is the maximum compensation available under this limited warranty. No other compensation will be provided by the manufacturer.

• Incidental installation expenses, including the cost of re-installation, are not covered by Paramount Flooring and do not form part of this limited warranty.

• If it is determined that an area of flooring is subject to replacement under this limited warranty Paramount Flooring's obligation shall be reduced in accordance with the age of the flooring.

- In the case of residential installations, the replacement cost obligation for Paramount Flooring shall be reduced:
 - by an amount equal to 3 % per year subsequent to the floor's installation, for products with a limited Lifetime* warranty period (*limited lifetime warranty to a maximum of 30 years)

• In the case of commercial installations, the replacement cost obligation for Paramount Flooring shall be reduced by an amount equal to 15 % per year subsequent to the floor's installation.

• Reasonable labor replacement costs will be handled on a case by case basis and only for floors initially installed by a professional flooring contractor. Paramount Flooring is not liable for costs of moving furniture or other items, appliances or fixtures that must be moved in order to effect repairs.

• Warranty coverage for replacement material will be limited to the remaining time of the original warranty.

• Under the term of these limited warranties, Paramount Flooring will not be liable for indirect, special, incidental, consequential or other damages of any kind, for whatever reason.

Note: Some States or Provinces do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, and therefore the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

• Paramount Flooring hereby disclaims and rejects any implied warranties, including any implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. No such implied warranties apply to any product sold by Paramount Flooring.

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• Except as set out in this document, there are no express warranties made by Paramount Flooring covering this product.

• This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from State to State in the U.S., or from Province to Province in Canada.

How do I submit a claim?

• If the purchaser believes there is damage to the flooring covered by this limited warranty, the purchaser should immediately contact his/her authorized dealer. In most cases, your local dealer can provide you with a solution to resolve the situation.

• Upon receipt of a claim, Paramount Flooring reserves the right to inspect the TimbrCORE[™] Flooring at the installation location and to verify the eligibility of the warranty claim with respect to the cause, and with respect to the extent of the claim.



CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Simply Clean!

Most dirt can be avoided by having an appropriate walk off mat or rug in entrance areas. For the rest of the floor, it is recommended to use the brush attachment on your vacuum cleaner. Depending on the frequency of use and amount of dirt, you should also wipe the floor with a damp cloth or micro fiber mop regularly. Bevels should also be cleaned in the same direction as the bevel. For optimum cleaning we recommend a product-specific flooring cleaner.

Stubborn Stains?

For common spills such as coffee, tea and basic foods lukewarm water with vinegar-based household cleaner should be sufficient. Paint, lipstick, ink, tar, etc. can be easily removed using an absorbent cloth and a basic cleaning solvent such as acetone or stain remover. Neutralize the affected area with a damp cloth after using solvents.

Optimal Protection for TimbrCORE Flooring:

• Entrance areas must have a properly sized walk off mat / rug.

• In commercial applications where the TimbrCORE™ Flooring area leads directly outside, an appropriately sized clean-off zone must be built into the floor structure.

• Attach felt pads to the feet of furniture, including chairs and tables. Clean these regularly, check for proper functionality, and replace when worn out.

• Lift furniture when moving, rather than pushing or dragging across the floor. If sliding is necessary, use a blanket or towel under the furniture feet to protect the flooring surface.

• Built-in kitchens and built-in cupboards should not be affixed directly to TimbrCORE[™] Flooring. TimbrCORE[™] Flooring is intended to be installed as a floating floor, and therefore the flooring must have the ability to expand and contract. Movements of the floor should not be blocked or limited by the placement of overly heavy objects. If any bulges in the flooring are observed after placing furniture, appliances or other heavy objects on the flooring, then it is recommended that the heavy object be moved to a different location.

• Use soft furniture casters in the case of office chairs and all other objects on casters. Clean office chair and furniture casters regularly, check for proper functionality, and replace when worn out. Floor/chair mats should be used in the absence of approved casters.

- Beater bars should be disabled or removed.
- Never use abrasives, steel wool or scouring agents on TimbrCORE™ Flooring.
- Immediately remove all liquid spills, and avoid prolonged exposure to humidity or other moisture.
- Do not use steam cleaners, except on TimbrCORE™ with Aqua Advantage™ Flooring.
- Do not use scrubbers, polishing machines, pressure washer or similar products.
- Clean the floor with a damp mop. Do not use a saturated mop / cloth. Do not pour liquids of any sort directly on TimbrCORE™ Flooring.
- Do not flood the floor with water or other liquids.
- Do not use cleaning products that may leave a residue. We recommend a product-specific flooring cleaner.
- Do not apply wax or polish to TimbrCORE™ Flooring. The use of wax or polish may void the warranty.
- Do not apply sealant to TimbrCORE™ Flooring after installation. The use of sealant by the consumer or installer may void the warranty.

Non-compliance with these cleaning and care instructions shall void all warranties.

Still Damaged?

No matter how durable your TimbrCORE™ floor is, a panel may still get damaged. If the damage is slight, the problem can usually be solved with a product-specific repair. More severely damaged panels should be repaired or replaced by a professional floor fitter.