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# ENGINEERED STONE TILE FLOORING LIMITED WARRANTY

This Limited Warranty applies to Engineered Stone Tile floors purchased after January 1, 2024.

# CONGRATULATIONS ON THE PURCHASE OF YOUR NEW FLOOR!

AHF Products<sup>®</sup> is a leader in the flooring industry with a family of strong brands serving the residential and commercial markets. With decades of experience in award-winning design, innovation, product development, manufacturing, and service, we strive to improve the quality of people's lives through great products and a deep commitment to outstanding customer service. Our mission is to create beauty that lasts for generations, and we want your flooring to be a part of that mission.

Throughout this document, references to "we," "us," "our," "AHF" or "AHF Products" mean AHF, LLC dba AHF Products. References to "you" or "your" mean the original retail purchaser/end user of the engineered stone tile flooring. Engineered stone tile flooring product will be referenced as the "floor," "flooring," "product," "products" or some combination thereof. The term "Limited Warranty" is singular but encompasses any and all coverages provided for herein.

# WARRANTY OWNER

This Limited Warranty <u>extends only to the original end-user</u>. Our warranties are **NOT TRANSFERABLE**.

# WHAT IS COVERED BY THIS LIMITED WARRANTY?

For residential installations, AHF warrants its regular (first quality) floor products, so long as the product is installed according to the installation instructions and the approved application listing, to be free from manufacturing defects as of the date of purchase and for the time period set forth below in the "Residential Engineered Stone Tile Flooring Limited Warranty Periods" section of this document. *Please see the "Residential Engineered Stone Tile Flooring Limited Warranty Periods" section to review the Limited Warranty Period for your specific brand/product.* 

#### The flooring product:

- Will not contain manufacturing defects
- Will not permanently indent from normal household use\*
- Will not stain from common household stains or from the use of cleaning products designed for engineered stone tile flooring
- Will not bottom up discolor from underlayment panels (including lauan), as well as alkali, mold, or mildew growth
- Will not wear-through\*\*
- Will not rip, tear, or gouge from normal household use. Movement of large appliances/furniture require special care such as protection between the engineered stone tile and appliance/furniture
- The edges of the flooring will not curl

# 5-YEAR LIMITED LIGHT COMMERCIAL WARRANTY

#### WHAT IS COVERED AND FOR HOW LONG?

For light commercial installations (example: common areas in multi-unit dwellings and low-traffic retail shops) the product is warranted to be free from manufacturing defects for 5 years from the date of purchase. If a defect covered by this warranty is reported to AHF in writing within 5 years of purchase, AHF will supply new material of the same or similar grade sufficient to repair or replace the defective material.

# WHAT DOES 100% WATERPROOF MEAN?

When exposed to water, engineered stone tile flooring is waterproof and will not swell, buckle, or lose integrity. In the case of standing water or flooding, engineered stone tile flooring will not act as a waterproofing barrier for the subfloor and/or any surrounding structure. Any damage to the subfloor and/or surrounding structure that is caused by standing water or flooding is not covered by this warranty.

## WHAT IS NOT COVERED BY THIS LIMITED WARRANTY?

RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL INSTALLATIONS

- Damage caused by fire, flooding or intentional abuse.
- Damage caused by vacuum cleaner beater bar, caster wheels, and cutting from sharp objects.
- When vacuuming, we recommend using the wand attachment on your vacuum.
- Because rolling casters can damage the floor, we do not recommend them.
- Loss of gloss/scratching.
- If some dulling occurs over time, depending on the amount of traffic, care and maintenance the floor receives, restore the floor's shine, using Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> Satinkeeper<sup>®</sup> Resilient Low Gloss Floor Finish.\*\*\*
- Minor color, shade, or texture variations between samples or printed color photography and the actual material.
- Floors that are not graded "regular."
- Floors that are installed in other than owner-occupied or tenant-occupied residences. (Except products that are warranted as light commercial.)
- Construction or installation-related damage.
- Floors discolored from moisture or underlayment panels after having been repaired or replaced by AHF one time.
- Floors damaged by excessive moisture from sources such as flooding and water leakage.
- Installation defects and installations not using the recommended Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> products.
- Damage caused by abuse such as moving appliances across the floor without adequate protection.
- Damage resulting from improper installation.
- Installation defects, including installations made (i) in violation of applicable state or local housing or building codes, or (ii) contrary to written instructions. NOTE: YOU AND YOUR INSTALLER ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSPECTING THE FLOORING PRIOR TO INSTALLATION. WE ACCEPT NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR LIABILITIES, CLAIMS OR EXPENSES, INCLUDING LABOR COSTS, WHERE FLOORING WITH VISIBLE DEFECTS HAS BEEN INSTALLED.

### WORKMANSHIP

AHF <u>does not warrant your or the installers' workmanship</u>. Workmanship errors should be addressed to the contractor who installed the floor. However, it is highly recommended that your flooring be professionally installed by contractors who have demonstrated expertise in installing this type of flooring for residential use. Workmanship errors should be addressed to the contractor who installed the floor.

## WHAT IS EXCLUDED FROM THIS LIMITED WARRANTY?

TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, WE EXCLUDE AND WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR OR PAY INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PERSONAL INJURY; PROPERTY DAMAGE; DAMAGE TO OTHER PROPERTY; ANY DAMAGE OTHER THAN TO THE FLOORING ITSELF THAT MAY RESULT FROM A DEFECT IN THE FLOORING; DIMINUTION IN PROPERTY VALUE; COSTS OF RENT OR MOVEMENT OF FURNITURE; THE REMOVAL OR REPLACEMENT OF MOLDINGS, CABINETS AND/OR FIXTURES;

\*We recommend using floor protectors. As a general rule, the heavier the item, the wider the floor protectors should be

\*\*Wear-through is defined as loss of the floor design due to normal household use

\*\*\*Do not use Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> Satinkeeper<sup>®</sup> Resilient Low Gloss Floor Finish with AHF Products engineered stone tile flooring.

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RETAIL MARKUPS; INSTALLATION OR LABOR PROVIDED BY OTHERS; OR SUPPLEMENTAL COSTS AND OTHER ADDITIONAL EXPENSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, RELOCATION DURING THE REPAIR PROCESS SUCH AS HOTEL, MEALS, OR MOVING AND STORAGE OF FURNITURE, EVEN IF THE MANUFACTURER HAS BEEN ADVISED OF SUCH DAMAGES. THIS LIMITED WARRANTY CONSTITUTES THE ONLY EXPRESS WARRANTIES FOR THE PRODUCT PURCHASED.

WARRANTIES OTHER THAN THIS LIMITED WARRANTY, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. ARE DISCLAIMED. IF ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY ARISES UNDER APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES (INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE) ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE DURATION OF THIS WRITTEN WARRANTY AND TO THE EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.

SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW EXCLUSION OR LIMITATIONS OF INCIDENTAL. OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OR LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSIONS MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE. Unless otherwise precluded by law, this Limited Warranty shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania without regard to any of its conflicts of laws provisions.

None of our retailers, distributors, installers, or employees has the authority to alter the obligations, limitations, disclaimers, or exclusions under this or any of our warranties.

# WHAT WILL WE DO IF A COVERED WARRANTY EVENT OCCURS?

If a covered event should occur within the specified Limited Warranty Period for the applicable flooring product, AHF Products will furnish comparable AHF-brand flooring of similar color, pattern, and quality, for either the repair of the defective area or the replacement of the floor, at AHF's option. And, if your floor was professionally installed, AHF Products will also pay reasonable labor costs for the direct repairs or replacement.

#### Within One Year:

If a defect covered by this Limited Warranty is reported to AHF in writing within one year of purchase, AHF will supply new material of the same or similar grade sufficient to repair or replace the defective material. AHF will also pay reasonable labor costs.

#### Within Two Years:

If a defect covered by this Limited Warranty is reported to AHF Products in writing after one year but within two years of purchase, AHF Products will supply new material of the same or similar grade sufficient to repair or replace the defective material. AHF Products will also pay fifty percent (50%) of the reasonable labor costs.

#### After Two Years:

If a defect covered by this Limited Warranty is reported to AHF in writing after two years but within the specified Limited Warranty Period for the applicable flooring product, AHF will supply new material of the same or similar grade sufficient to repair or replace the defective material. AHF Products will not pay labor costs.

<u>Regardless of the period of time</u>, AHF Products will not pay labor costs to repair or replace material with defects that were apparent before or at the time of installation.

# WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM?

We want you to be happy with your AHF floor. If you're not, call your retail store. The retailer can answer your questions and, if necessary, start to process a claim. If you have further questions, please call us at 1-866-243-2726.

# CLAIMS PROCESS

We work with distributors all over the country to make our products widely available. We sell our products to distributors and distributors sell our products to local retailers and contractors.

#### Steps to Filing a Claim:

1. Return to your retailer with your original proof of purchase.

- a) If your floor was installed as part of a new home build, you may use your style selection sheet or your closing documents as your proof of purchase.
  If your retailer information is not included in these documents, contact your builder.
- b) If your retailer is out of business, please call 1-866-243-2726 so we may assist you in finding a new retailer.
- 2. The claim will be evaluated.
  - a) <u>Distribution Retailers:</u> Your retailer will need to contact its distributor representative to get the claim filed. The retailer or distributor representative may inspect your flooring or request pictures or uninstalled samples showing the issue.
  - b) <u>Lowes, Home Depot, or Direct:</u> Your retailer will need to call us directly to file the claim. At that time, your sales associate may request pictures or uninstalled samples. An inspection of the flooring in your home/facility may be required.

3. A claim determination is made.

- a) <u>Distribution Retailers</u>: We will send the evaluation of the claim to your retailer's distributor, who will then share the results with your retailer. Your retailer should call you within 48 hours of receiving the determination to inform you of the decision.
  - (i) If your claim is approved, please work with your retailer to order new material and schedule the reinstallation, if applicable.
  - (ii) If your claim is not approved, you will receive a letter explaining why. You will also receive an inspection report if your home was inspected by a Technical Services Manager or a third-party inspector.
- b) <u>Lowes, Home Depot, or Direct</u>: The claim determination and any relevant inspection reports will be sent directly to your store. They should contact you within 48 hours to inform you of the decision.

#### Appealing your Claim Determination:

If you do not agree with your claim determination, please contact our Customer Advocates by calling 1-866-243-2726 and selecting the option for "Warranty", or by emailing your concerns to customeradvocates@ahfproducts.com. We will review any evaluation methods we have used in regards to your claim and determine if there is any additional evaluation needed.

# PLEASE KEEP YOUR RECEIPT OR OBTAIN IT FROM THE ORIGINAL PURCHASER.

AHF Products requires the receipt in order to verify date and proof of purchase to resolve any problems that may occur.

## CARE INSTRUCTIONS

To keep the lasting shine and fresh feel of your investment for as long as possible, we recommend that you:

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- Wipe up spills as soon as possible. Never use highly abrasive scrubbing tools on any resilient floor.
- Wash your floor occasionally with Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> Once 'n Done<sup>®</sup> Resilient & Ceramic Floor Cleaner.
- Use Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> Satinkeeper<sup>®</sup> Resilient Low Gloss Floor Finish to return your floor's original shine if it begins to dull over time.\*\*\*

#### DON'T:

- Use detergents, abrasive cleaners or "mop and shine" products they may leave a dull film on your floor.
- Use paste wax or solvent-based polishes.
- Use grout sealers on floor or grout.
- Use Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> New Beginning<sup>®</sup> Resilient Deep Cleaning Floor Stripper or other floor strippers for cleaning the grout or maintaining your engineered stone tile floor. Floor strippers will degrade the acrylic grout.
- Use rolling casters as they can damage the floor.

- Use a beater bar when vacuuming because it can visibly damage the floor surface.
- Use highly abrasive scrubbing tools.

### PROACTIVE PROTECTION FOR YOUR FLOOR:

- When moving appliances or heavy furniture, lay a plywood panel on your floor and "walk" the item across it. This protects your floor from scuffing and tears.
- Use floor protectors on furniture to reduce indentation. As a general rule, the heavier the item, the wider the floor protector needed.
- Be careful with rolling casters. They can damage the floor. Therefore, we do not recommend them. If you choose to use them, the double wheel type are the better option.
- Place a walk-off mat at outside entrances to reduce the amount of dirt brought into your home. We do not recommend the use of rubber- or latex-backed mats (except where noted) because the chemical (antioxidant) used to keep the backing from becoming brittle can permanently stain your floor. We suggest a non-staining, vinyl-backed mat or a woven rug that is colorfast. Most of these products are identified "colorfast" by the manufacturer.
- All Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> floor care products have been specifically developed to care for Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> floors. You may purchase Armstrong Flooring<sup>™</sup> floor care products at your local flooring retailer.

### ENGINEERED STONE TILE FLOORING LIMITED WARRANTY PERIODS

	Residential Installation (Warranty Period)	Light Commercial Installation (Warranty Period)
PRODUCTS		
Engineered Stone Tile Flooring	Lifetime	5

#### Footnotes to Warranty Period:

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1. Warranty Periods indicated are in years from date of purchase.

2. An "X" means that the corresponding product is not intended for that use, and therefore, no warranty is provided.