

TruSlate® Smart Choice Ltd. Warranty

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Great Protection – The GAF TruSlate® Smart Choice® Limited Warranty

Congratulations! Thank you for purchasing TruSlate® Field Slate, TruSlate® Trim Slate, TruGrip® Battens and Hangers, an UnderBlock® UV and Moisture Barrier (the "TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components") from GAF, North America's largest roofing manufacturer—your best choice. While many factors can affect how long your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components will last, this TruSlate® Smart Choice® Limited Warranty covers your slate components, as further described below, in the unlikely event that they (i) contain a manufacturing defect (ii) blow off from the roof or (iii) exhibit excessive weathering. It provides coverage that is "non-prorated" during the crucial up-front period of your ownership (the "Smart Choice® Protection Period") and continued coverage for an extended period of time afterwards.

When Your Warranty Starts. Warranty coverage begins when your roof has been installed.

Definition Of Lifetime: The word "Lifetime" means as long as you, the original owner(s) (or the second owner(s) if coverage was properly transferred during the Smart Choice® Protection Period), own the property where the TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components are installed. The Lifetime warranty and 15-year Smart Choice® Protection Period are applicable only to TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components installed on a single-family detached residence owned by individual(s). For any other type of owner or building, such as a corporation, governmental entity, religious entity, condominium or homeowner association, school, apartment building, office building, or multi-use structure, the length of the warranty is 40 years and the Smart Choice® Protection Period is 10 years.

Who Is Covered By This Limited Warranty; Transferability. You are covered by this warranty if you live in the United States or Canada and are the original property owner (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 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 the ownership changes. If there is a defect during this two-year period, GAF'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 slate components from date of installation through the date of claim.

Manufacturing Defects: Installed And Registered By Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist (Lifetime). Subject to the provisions below, all TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components installed as a system on your roof and registered by a Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist carry a Lifetime limited warranty against manufacturing defects that cause a leak and a Smart Choice® Protection Period of 15 years. See below "Manufacturing Defects: What Is Covered/Sole And Exclusive Remedy" for further coverage information.

Manufacturing Defects: Installed By Non-Certified Installer (25 years). All TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components installed as a system on your roof by a non-certified installer (or by a Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist who did not properly register this warranty) carry a 25-year warranty against manufacturing defects that cause a leak and a Smart Choice® Protection Period of 10 years. See below "Manufacturing Defects: What Is Covered/Sole And Exclusive Remedy" for further coverage information.

Wind Damage/Blow-Offs (10 years): 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's application instructions. GAF warrants to you that your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components will not blow off from the roof from winds (including gusts) up to the maximum wind speed of 90 mph. If your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components are installed with the special installation method (see Table 1), then this warranty will include a maximum wind speed of 130 mph. If your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components do blow off, GAF will reimburse you, but only for the reasonable costs of replacing the blown-off slates and TruGrip® Battens and Hangers (exclusive of other metal work and flashing).

Excessive Weathering (5 years): What Is Covered/Sole And Exclusive Remedy.

GAF warrants to you that your TruSlate® Field and Trim Slates will not manifest a conspicuous and unsightly appearance due to excessive weathering beyond the expected naturally occurring weathering of the slate. If any of your slates do manifest such an appearance, GAF will reimburse you, but only for the reasonable costs of replacing the affected slates. As part of this remedy, at GAF's option, it will provide you with replacement slate components for the affected slates or the reasonable cost of obtaining replacement slate components. GAF will not pay to tear off the affected slates or to dispose of them.

NOTE: Slate, like any other natural building product, can fade or weather over time. The degree of any weathering depends on many factors beyond GAF's control, including climate, the location of your building, air pollution in your area, and the surrounding environment. This limited warranty does **not** provide any coverage for changes in appearance that are within expected natural weathering tolerances.



Table 1

Installer Type	Warranty Term For Manufacturing Defects	Smart Choice® Protection Period	Excessive Weathering Coverage	Wind Coverage With Special Installation (mph / km/h)*	Wind Coverage Without Special Installation (mph / km/h)
SlateCrafter™ Specialist	Lifetime	15 yrs	5 yrs	130/209	90/145
Non-Certified Installer	25 yrs	10 yrs	5 yrs	130/209	90/145

*Special Installation Wind Coverage requires fastening TruGrip® Battens so that the head of each stainless steel nail overlaps each hanger against one of the batten slots. In addition, the first course of field slates must be installed flush to the eave edge. See gaf.com for further details.

Manufacturing Defects: What Is Covered/Sole And Exclusive Remedy.

GAF Warranty Company, LLC, a subsidiary of GAF, warrants that your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components will remain free from manufacturing defects that adversely affect their performance during the applicable Smart Choice® Protection Period or that cause leaks for the remainder of the applicable warranty term. This warranty **only** applies when all TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components are installed as a system on your roof.

- During the Smart Choice® Protection Period: GAF will pay you the full reasonable cost of labor to repair or re-cover any defective TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components (excluding metal work and flashing, other than the TruGrip® Battens and Hangers) and will provide you with slate components or the reasonable cost of obtaining replacement slate components, at GAF's option. GAF will not pay to tear off your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components, or to dispose of them. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GAF's **maximum** liability under this paragraph shall not exceed \$750 per square.
- After the Smart Choice® Protection Period: Labor will no longer be covered. GAF's contribution to you will be based on either providing you with replacement GAF TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components, or at GAF's choice, reimbursing you for the reasonable cost of replacement slate components. The amount of slate components or reimbursement provided to you will be reduced to reflect the use you have received from your slate components. The amount of use will be calculated by dividing the number of months which have elapsed since installation to the date of claim by the number of months in the warranty term. For TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components installed and registered by a Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist and which therefore carry a "Lifetime" warranty term, the proration factors in Table 2 will apply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GAF's **maximum** liability under this paragraph shall not exceed \$350 per square.

Table 2

# 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%		

Limitations On Coverage.

Unlike some roofing product warranties, even if your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components were not properly installed according to GAF application instructions or to standard good roofing practices, this limited warranty remains in effect. However, GAF 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's application instructions.
 - settlement, movement, or defects in the building, walls, foundation, or the roof base over which the 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, fire, or winds, including gusts above applicable wind speeds, as stated in Table 1.
 - 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 or 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 except as set forth in the limited excessive weathering warranty above, 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® Field Slate or TruSlate® Trim Slate that is within expected natural weathering tolerances; 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 (subject to the limited wind and excessive weathering warranties above).
- 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, re-cover, or cleaning required, and the reasonable cost of such work, will be made solely by GAF. GAF reserves the right to arrange directly for your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components to be repaired, re-covered, or cleaned 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 replacements of the TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period.

GAF reserves the right to discontinue or modify its TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components, including the colors available, so any replacement TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components may not be an exact match for the TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components on your roof. Even if GAF does not modify a color, replacement TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components may not match your original TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components due to normal weathering and other variations in natural slate products.

Claims: What You Must Do.

You must notify GAF about any claim within 30 days after you notice a problem and provide proof of the date your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components were applied and that you were the owner at that time (or that the warranty was properly transferred to you). You must either call GAF at 1-800-458-1860 about your claim, or send a notice to GAF in writing to: GAF, Warranty Services, 1 Campus Drive, Parsippany, NJ 07054, USA. You will then be provided with complete details about submitting your claim. GAF may require you to send to GAF, at your expense, sample slate components for testing and photographs. Within a reasonable time after proper notification, GAF will evaluate your claim and resolve it in accordance with the terms of this warranty. Any claim for slate components that have been replaced before notifying GAF of your claim may be denied. If you need to repair or replace your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components before your claim is resolved, you **MUST** provide GAF with reasonable notice. **NOTE: Notice to your contractor, dealer, or home builder is NOT notice to GAF.** You should retain this document for your records in the unlikely event that you need to file a claim.

Sole And Exclusive Warranty.

THE GAF TRUSLATE® SMART CHOICE® LIMITED 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 ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THE GAF TruSlate® Smart Choice® Limited Warranty is your EXCLUSIVE warranty from GAF and represents the SOLE REMEDY available to any owner of GAF TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components. GAF makes NO OTHER REPRESENTATIONS, CONDITIONS, GUARANTEES, OR WARRANTIES 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, AND/OR MOLD GROWTH, whether any claim against it is based upon breach of this warranty, negligence, strict liability in tort, or for any other cause.

NOTE: Some jurisdictions do not allow limitations on or the exclusion of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you. The GAF TruSlate® Smart Choice® Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the Sale of International Goods shall **NOT** apply to the sale of the TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components or to this limited warranty.

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 the authority to assume any additional liability or responsibility for GAF in connection with your TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components except as described in this warranty. (Note: Warranty subject to change. For current information, visit gaf.com or write to GAF at 1 Campus Drive, Parsippany, NJ 07054, USA, Attn: Warranty Services.)

Effective Date.

This limited warranty is effective for TruSlate® Premium Roofing Components installed after December 1, 2015 in the United States or Canada.