

LIFETIME
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YEARS

HARMONY
TIMBER FLOORS

WARRANTY CERTIFICATE

HARMONY MINERAL FIBRE BOARD (MFB) FLOORING

Firstly, thank you for purchasing your Harmony MFB flooring. We have full confidence that you will have many years of satisfaction from your Harmony MFB flooring.

In order to ensure you have many years of satisfaction from your Harmony MFB flooring, it is critical that this WARRANTY CERTIFICATE be read in conjunction with the HARMONY TIMBER FLOORS CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MFB FLOORING and the HARMONY TIMBER FLOORS INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MFB FLOORING (if installation is not carried out by Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd), which can be found on our website at www.harmonytimberfloors.com. Failure to follow the instructions laid out in the above documentation could impact on your warranty claim in part or in full.

This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties being expressed or implied, which includes but not limited to the implied warranties of being fit for a specific purpose, except as covered by Common Law. In writing this warranty, Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd have used its reasonable endeavors to ensure accuracy and reliability of the information herein, to the extent permitted by Australian Consumer Law. Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd will not be held liable for any inaccuracies, omissions or errors pertaining to the information herein nor any actions taken in reliance of the information given. Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd shall not be held liable for damage, loss of use, other incidentals or resulting costs incurred by the original purchaser.

Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd will repair or replace the relevant products at its discretion. All costs involved in sending the relevant products back etc. will be borne by the purchaser.

All products supplied by Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the provisions of Australian Consumer Law.

This warranty is in addition to and has no impact on the statutory rights of the consumer in accordance with Australian Consumer Law.

What is the importance of the Installation Instructions?

The Installation Instructions can be found on our website at www.harmonytimberfloors.com. Failure to follow the Installation Instructions could impact on your warranty in part or in full. The Installation Instructions are there in order to ensure that the product is installed correctly, thereby ensuring many years of satisfaction for the original purchaser. If the original purchaser has any questions in relation to the Installation Instructions contact Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd on 1300 725 257 or 07 55 206 701 or send an email to sales@harmonytimberfloors.com.

What is the importance of Care and Maintenance Instructions?

The Care and Maintenance Instructions can be found on our website at www.harmonytimberfloors.com. Failure to follow the Care and Maintenance Instructions could impact on your warranty in part or in full. The Care and Maintenance Instructions are there in order to ensure that the product is cared for properly, thereby ensuring many years of satisfaction for the original purchaser. If the original purchaser has any questions in relation to the Care and Maintenance Instructions contact Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd on 1300 725 257 or 07 55 206 701 or send an email to sales@harmonytimberfloors.com.

Who is covered?

Only the original purchaser of the product is covered and the warranty period commences from the date of purchase. This warranty is not transferrable and only applies to the original purchaser. This warranty is only effective once full payment for the product has been made. Failure to pay for the product in part or full will result in the product not being covered by this warranty. In the case where a developer or builder purchases the product, the owner of the property 12 months after the purchase of the product will be entitled to full cover under this warranty, effective from the date of purchase. Warranty claims will only be considered with a copy of the proof of purchase.

How to make a claim?

Contact Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd on 1300 725 257 or send an email to sales@harmonytimberfloors.com. **Proof of purchase will be required in order to enact a warranty claim.** Once a claim has been initiated, a Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd representative may ask for photographs to be sent to them to understand the nature of the claim. If necessary, we will send a representative to site to carry out an inspection in order to ascertain whether the claim is a warranty issue or not. We will always endeavour to make your claim process as simple as possible.

It is to be noted that prior to attending site to carry out an inspection the purchaser will need to pay a \$200 deposit or a \$300 deposit for jobs more than 150km from our Burleigh store, which is fully refundable should the claim be a genuine warranty claim. However, if it turns out that the claim is not covered by our warranty and the issues raised are due to poor handling, incorrect installation or failure to adhere to the proper care and maintenance instructions for the product etc. the deposit will be retained in order to cover the costs for our time taken to carry out the inspection.

If a claim is authorized, the remedy on each claim will be at the discretion of Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd. Remedial work could range from repairing individual floorboards, replacing individual floorboards, removal of a section of the flooring, full floor replacement in the event of a major failure or financial compensation to an agreed value. It is to be noted that this warranty is digressive. A digressive warranty is a warranty by which the value is lower according to the length of previous use. The warranty only covers the product and does not include the provision of labour, which is at the discretion of Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd. Furthermore, Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd is not liable for any other costs incurred in relation to supplying the original purchaser with temporary accommodation whilst carrying out the repairs or any other incidental costs such as re-painting, removal of fixtures and furniture, food, travel etc. For those MFB floors installed by Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd, they warranty the installation of MFB flooring installed via the Floating Method of Installation for a period of 1 year from the date of completion of the works. It is to be noted that the original warranty remains in place from the original installation date not the date of the repair or replacement and does not start again. In the event that a full replacement is required, only products from our current range to the same value of the existing product to be replaced will be used. It is important to note that Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd regularly update and change their products to meet the needs of the market. This could involve change of colour, change in finishes, profile changes, dimensional changes or simply the unavailability of raw materials. As a result we strongly advise all purchasers to purchase an additional box or two of the product used, in case future repairs are required or the product is required for any alterations. If Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd does not have the exact product to carry out a repair, they will supply the most suitable product that is as close a match in order to fulfil their warranty obligations.

What are the original purchaser's responsibilities under the warranty?

In order to ensure you have many years of satisfaction from your Harmony MFB flooring, it is critical that this WARRANTY CERTIFICATE be read in conjunction with the HARMONY TIMBER FLOORS CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MFB FLOORING and the HARMONY TIMBER FLOORS INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MFB FLOORING (if installation is not carried out by Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd), which can be found on our website at www.harmonytimberfloors.com. Failure to follow the instructions laid out in the above documentation could impact on your warranty in part or in full. We strongly suggest that you read the above documentation in order to ensure many years of satisfaction from your Harmony MFB flooring.

The original purchaser has a duty of care to inform Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd of any claim within 14 days of discovery. The original purchaser must then give Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd the opportunity to inspect the claim within 60 x days of receiving written notification and if failing to do so, could have an impact on your claim in part or in full. Failure on the part of the original purchaser to inform Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd of the claim could affect the warranty claim. Where a claimed defect has clearly been noticeable for a long period of time and degraded to a point that if notified earlier, a solution could have been found to avoid the claimed defect progressing, it will affect the warranty claim.

What is the installer's responsibility in order to ensure that the warranty is upheld?

The installation is the most important component when it comes to ensuring the product is installed correctly, thereby ensuring that this warranty is upheld.

If the original purchaser is contracting an installer to do the installation, we strongly suggest they check that their installer is accredited and capable of carrying out the installation successfully.

It is critical that the installer reads through the HARMONY TIMBER FLOORS CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS FOR MFB FLOORING and the HARMONY TIMBER FLOORS INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR MFB FLOORING, which can be found on our website at www.harmonytimberfloors.com.

All products vary and the installer must not assume that the Harmony MFB flooring is installed in the same manner as other similar products. They could be slight differences between the Harmony MFB flooring and other similar products, which are to be noted prior to installation commencing. This could make the difference between a successful or unsuccessful installation.

It is important to remember that the installer should inspect each floorboard prior to installing them for potential defects, damage etc. which could occur through handling, human error, transport or manufacturing error. If any are found, these should be removed and returned to Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd to be exchanged or refunded if found to be defective. Alternatively, these floorboards can be installed in areas such as underneath the dishwasher or fridge or in cupboards, where often these defects can be cut out. Please note if defective floorboards are installed without informing Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd of these defects, it is the installer's responsibility to remove and replace them. **Warranty claims will not be accepted for defective flooring that has been installed. It is critical to check each floorboard prior to installation commencing for any defects.**

Where Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd has been contracted by the consumer to carry out the installation process, the responsibility for any repairs, rests with Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd. Please note where a consumer arranges for their own installer or asks Harmony Timber Floors Pty to refer an installer to them, the consumer is to pay that installer directly. If any issues arise in relation to the installation process, they are to be referred back to the installer and not Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd. Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd will not be held accountable for an installer's workmanship unless the installer was contracted to carry out the work on behalf of Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd.

What is Residential Wear Warranty?

A Residential Wear Warranty refers to a dwelling where people live in private residence. Harmony MFB flooring comes with a 25-year surface wear warranty for residential purposes. However, if it is apparent that the Installation Instructions or Care and Maintenance Instructions have not been followed, then the wear through the decorative surface layer will not be covered by the warranty.

What is a Light Commercial Wear Warranty?

A Light Commercial Wear Warranty refers to restaurants, office spaces, hotels, public spaces such as galleries and retail spaces. Harmony MFB flooring comes with a 10-year surface wear warranty for commercial purposes. However, if it is apparent that the Installation Instructions or Care and Maintenance Instructions have not been followed, then the wear through the decorative surface layer will not be covered by the warranty.

What does the Wear Warranty cover?

The Wear Warranty covers wear through the decorative surface layer to the core of the product greater than 10% of the total surface area installed in order for the Wear Warranty to apply. However, if it is apparent that the Installation Instructions or Care and Maintenance Instructions have not been followed, then the wear through the decorative surface layer will not be covered by the warranty.

What does the Lifetime Structural Warranty cover?

The Lifetime Structural Warranty refers to the structural integrity of the product and warrants that the product will not de-laminate. However, if it is apparent that the Installation Instructions or Care and Maintenance Instructions have not been followed, thereby compromising the structural integrity of the flooring then the product will not be covered by the warranty. **This warranty does not cover the fracture or breakage of the locking system.**

What is not covered by the Warranty?

- The flooring is to be installed in accordance with Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd Installation Instructions. Failure to do so could impact on your warranty in part or in full. Particular attention needs to be drawn to handling, storage, levels and installation in particular Step 5: INSTALLATION.
- The flooring has not been maintained in accordance with Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd Care and Maintenance Instructions. Failure to do so could impact on your warranty in part or in full.
- Damage whether accidental or negligent caused by abuse, misuse, dents, scratches, dropping items, vacuum cleaner wheels that have worn and scratch the flooring, dragging items, high heels, stiletto heels, spiked shoes, fixing items directly to the flooring, heavy items of furniture, poorly protected feet on items of furniture, castor wheels, sand and stone caught in foot wear, flooding, water ingress, insects, pets, urine, vomit and high traffic areas are not covered by this warranty.
- **The use of a steam mop is strictly prohibited** and will result in the flooring not being covered by this warranty. When cleaning the floors, always vacuum first with the brushes out. Then with a microfibre mop and a lightly dampened mop head, mop the flooring with a neutral PH detergent. Run fans, if possible, to assist in drying the flooring more quickly. If it is clearly apparent that either a steam mop or excessive amounts of water have been used to clean the flooring, the flooring will not be covered by this warranty.
- Water damage to the flooring due to the failure of electronic appliances, incorrect installation, burst pipes, irregular maintenance or water damage caused as a result of direct flooding or inundation of water is not covered by this warranty.
- Damage to the flooring and its finish caused by its exposure to chemicals, acids, rubber and adhesives is not covered by this warranty.
- If the flooring between the time of purchase and installation is not stored correctly on site in accordance with the Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd Installation Instructions and resultant damage to the product occurs, it will not be covered by this warranty.
- The flooring is used internally only and is to be installed in accordance with Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd Installation Instructions. If any of our products are used externally or installed in wet areas, they will not be covered by this warranty. Note that residential kitchens are not considered to be wet areas.
- The physical manipulation of the original product will not be covered by this warranty.
- **Failure to implement proper temperature control by circulating the air with fans, opening windows and doors, running air conditioners etc., leaving spaces locked up for long periods of time, insufficient ventilation, excessive exposure to heat, sunlight, and failure to install window furnishings and awnings, which could have an adverse effect on the flooring that has been installed, will not be covered by this warranty. The optimal temperature at the time of installation is 24 degrees Celsius and this is also the ideal temperature range to be maintained where possible once installation has been completed. Furthermore, the Relative Humidity should be controlled at between 30% and 70% at all times, in order to ensure the flooring performs optimally.**
- Change in colour, gloss reduction or appearance of the flooring due to periods of long exposure to sunlight, will not be covered by this warranty.
- **Please note MFB flooring is water resistant from above only and it is not to be installed in wet areas such as a bathrooms, laundries or powder rooms. The presence of water below the flooring will cause issues to the structural stability of the flooring such as cupping, swelling, lock breakage etc. and will not be covered by this warranty.**
- Damage caused by other tradesmen to the flooring will not be covered by this warranty.
- **The warranty only covers the product and does not include the provision of labour, which is at the discretion of Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd. Furthermore, Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd is not liable for any other costs incurred in relation to supplying the original purchaser with temporary accommodation whilst carrying out the repairs or any other incidental costs such as re-painting, removal of fixtures and furniture, food, travel, temporary accommodation etc.**
- Where there are structural changes to the subfloor as a result of settling of the building or where the subfloor has not been levelled as per the Installation Instructions, which in turn has an impact on the flooring, the flooring will not be covered by this warranty.
- Where the subfloor falls outside of Australian Standards and it in turn compromises the structural integrity of the flooring, it will not be covered by this warranty.
- **Wear to the flooring that is associated to improper installation or inappropriate care and maintenance, will not be covered by this warranty.**
- Damaged caused to the flooring from mobility devices and wheelchairs will not be covered by this warranty.
- Where a defective floorboard has been installed by a builder, homeowner or independent installer, the onus and cost of removing the floorboard in question will rest with the installer and will not be covered by this warranty.

- **Great care needs to be exercised when transporting and handling the product as well as during the installation process. Fractures or breakage of the locking system is not covered by the products warranty, as well as potential pulling away of the top wear layer where the floorboards are not either locked in properly, separated due to poor levels or where the locks have been broken. Any floorboards that have broken locks should not be installed and the issue raised with Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd. Once installed the responsibility of replacing the damaged floorboards rests with the original installer.**
- Should any Body Corporation approval be required, especially in the case of multi-storey developments, it is up to the original purchaser to obtain the necessary consent in writing prior to the installation process commencing. Should the Body Corporation once having been given consent in writing, find that the products specified and used does not meet their requirements, Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd will not be held accountable for rectification costs incurred.
- Termite and pest damage to the flooring will not be covered by this warranty.
- Wine or other highly acidic foods or drinks if not cleaned up in a timely fashion could impact on the floors coatings which would not be covered by this warranty.
- Where an installer has fitted tape to the flooring in order to secure a trim, it is up to the original purchaser, manager, developer or builder to remove the tape within 24 hours of installation. Failure to do this could cause damage to coating on the floor and this will not be covered by this warranty.
- In relation to the vertical movement of the floorboards, all flooring installed via the Floating Method of Installation may experience some minor movement when walked on. Other factors such as climatic conditions, structural settling, or existing subfloor level issues may result in the floorboards creaking or squeaking and are not covered by this warranty.
- In relation to man-made events such as faulty workmanship, broken pipes, gas or electrical fires, damage caused by illegal squatters, damaged caused by mining activities, water damage and leaks or biblical catastrophes/acts of God such as earthquakes, droughts, flooding, fires etc. will not be covered by this warranty.
- **As this warranty only covers the product supplied and not installation unless installation is carried out by Harmony Timber Floors Pty Ltd, all issues pertaining to installation error must be referred back to the original installer and will not be covered by this warranty.**