

25-Year Limited Warranty

1. Warranty Coverage

This warranty applies to the original retail purchaser ("Purchaser") of Ainsworth® OSB panels grade-stamped as APA Rated Sheathing, APA Structural 1 Rated Sheathing, and APA Rated Sturd-I-Floor (the "Products") and the original owner-occupier of a building on which the products are originally installed ("Owner"). Ainsworth Group of Companies ("Ainsworth") warrants that the products will, at the time of delivery, meet or exceed the manufacturing standards as specified on the APA trademark stamp (such as U.S. Product Standard PS2) and, when installed in accordance with the current edition of APA—The Engineered Wood Association's "Engineered Wood Construction Guide", Form No. E30, April, 2005 will for a period of 25 years from the date of installation: (a) perform as reasonably required of a structural sheathing material; and (b) exhibit no delamination. Delamination is defined as a visible separation within the panel. Face flakes and/or minor edge swelling do not qualify as delamination. In the event that the product does not comply with this limited warranty, the liability of Ainsworth is limited to the repair, replacement or payment provisions set forth in paragraph 4 below.

2. Exclusions from Warranty Coverage

This express warranty provides a remedy only for the nonconformities reported in accordance with paragraph 6(a) below. Surface cracks and imperfections, folded surface flakes and edge swell not resulting in delamination are not covered by this warranty. In addition, this warranty does not provide a remedy for:

- (a) Damage to the products caused by:
 - (1) Misuse or improper handling, installation or maintenance;
 - (2) Alterations to the structure after the original installation of the products;

- (3) Acts of God, such as lightning, wind storm, hurricane, tornado, hail, earthquake, flood or other similar severe weather or similar natural phenomena;

- (4) Design, application or construction of the structure in which the products are installed;

- (5) Transport, storage or handling of the products prior to installation.

- (b) Products not installed in compliance with all applicable building codes and/or not installed and maintained in accordance with the current edition of the APA – The Engineered Wood Association's "Engineered Wood Construction Guide", Form No. E30.

- (c) Workmanship of the products' installation.

3. Exclusion of Implied Warranties: No Other Express Warranties

This warranty is the only warranty applicable to the products and excludes all other express or implied warranties, including any implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, or any warranties otherwise arising from course of dealing or usage of trade or advertising, except where such warranties arise under applicable consumer product warranty laws and cannot lawfully be disclaimed, in which event such warranties are limited to 25 years, or such shorter period as permitted or required under applicable law.

Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

No other express warranty has been made or will be made on behalf of Ainsworth with respect to the products.

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4. Remedies

This section provides for the sole remedy available to the owner from Ainsworth for any non-conformity in the products. In the event of any nonconformity covered by this or any implied warranty, Ainsworth at its option will repair or replace the nonconforming products, together with any affected surface materials, including the cost of labor.

5. Exclusion of Other Remedies

In no event will Ainsworth be liable for any incidental, special, indirect or consequential damages resulting from any defect in the products supplied, including, but not limited to damage to property or lost profits.

Some U.S. states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

6. Responsibility of Owner

- (a) Any owner seeking remedies under this warranty must notify Ainsworth in writing within 30 days after discovering a possible nonconformity of the products, and before beginning any permanent repair. This written notice should include the date the products were installed, if known, and the mill identity number, the production shift identification and the production date noted on the grade stamp imprinted on the panel.
- (b) It is the owner's responsibility to establish the date of installation. The owner should do this by retaining any records which would tend to prove when the product was installed, including but not limited to: purchase invoices and receipts, contractor's billings, service contracts and building permits.
- (c) Upon reasonable notice, the owner must allow Ainsworth's agents to enter the property and building on which the products are installed to inspect such products.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may also have other rights which vary between geographic jurisdictions.

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