

# Thank you for purchasing your new Kraus Luxury Vinyl Flooring

Kraus stands behind the quality and craftsmanship of every product we sell.

You have selected a Luxury Vinyl Flooring known for style, quality, and value that we know you will enjoy for years to come.

To determine which warranty applies to the Kraus LVF you purchased, your retailer should include the following information on your invoice or complete the following information at the time of purchase:

This document is designed to help you understand the warranties that apply to your new LVF, as well as, how to properly care for and maintain its beauty. Please retain this warranty document along with a copy of your original invoice, cleaning receipts, and two square feet of excess, unused LVF after installation.

# LIMITED RESIDENTIAL WARRANTY

Our Luxury Vinyl Plank & Rigid Vinyl Plank products are backed by a Limited Residential Warranty for manufacturing defects as described below.

The Luxury Vinyl Plank & Rigid Vinyl Plank flooring you purchased is guaranteed to be free from manufacturing defects, delamination, and loss of original pattern due to the wear layer wearing through to expose the core material over a minimum of 3% of the installation. Gloss reduction or surface scratches are not considered surface wear. This warranty is in effect when the floor is subject to normal residential use provided the flooring covered by this warranty was installed and maintained according to Kraus' published instructions. If a manufacturing defect is found in your floor, upon verification of the defect, Kraus will arrange a pro-rated credit based on the terms outlined in the "Terms & Conditions" section below. If your floor was installed by a professional flooring installer/contractor pursuant to



Kraus' installation instructions, Kraus will also pay reasonable professional labor costs to repair your floor or install your replacement floor if the defect is reported within the first year of the original purchase, and 50% if the defect is reported within the second year from the original purchase. Labor costs will not be reimbursed if the defect is reported more than two years after the original purchase.

# LIMITED LIGHT COMMERCIAL WARRANTY

Our Luxury Vinyl Plank & Rigid Vinyl Plank products are backed by a Limited Light Commercial Warranty for manufacturing defects as described below.

The Luxury Vinyl Plank & Rigid Vinyl Plank flooring you purchase is guaranteed to be free from manufacturing defects, delamination, and loss of original pattern due to the wear layer wearing through to expose the core material over a minimum of 3% of the installation. Gloss reduction or surface scratches are not considered surface wear. This warranty is in effect when the floor is subject to normal light commercial use (as listed below) provided the flooring covered by this warranty was installed and maintained according to Kraus' published instructions. If a manufacturing defect is found in your floor, upon verification of the defect, Kraus will arrange a pro-rated credit based on the terms outlined in the "Terms & Conditions" section below. If your floor was installed by a professional flooring installer/contractor pursuant to Kraus' installation instructions, Kraus will also pay reasonable professional labor costs to repair your floor or install your replacement floor if the defect is reported within the first year of the original purchase, and 50% if the defect is reported within the second year from the original purchase. Labor costs will not be reimbursed if the defect is reported more than two years after the original purchase.

Light Commercial is defined as Inside condominiums, apartments, & hotel rooms. Small retail shops and waiting rooms are also considered Light Commercial areas. Areas <u>not</u> covered by the Limited Light Commercial Warranty include, but are not limited to: Condo, Hotel, or apartment common areas, large retail stores, areas subject to frequent rolling loads, large commercial applications (education/institutional, hospital/healthcare, large retail, commercial office space), assisted living facilities, anywhere commercial cleaning machines will be used. Please contact Kraus for any clarification needed with regards to areas covered by the Light Commercial Warranty.

# WHAT DOES WATERPROOF MEAN?

When exposed to water, Kraus' Vinyl Planks will not swell, buckle, or lose structural integrity due to moisture from recommended maintenance or moisture from everyday household spills. All sources of subfloor moisture should be removed or remediated prior to installation. In the case of standing water, Kraus' Vinyl planks will not act as a waterproofing barrier for the subfloor and/or any surrounding structure. This warranty covers topical moisture as long as the water does not flow over the edge of the



surface. Any damage to the subfloor and/or surrounding structure that is caused by standing water is not covered by this warranty. Kraus' Glue Down Luxury Vinyl Plank is not covered under the Waterproof portion of this warranty.

### LIMITED WARRANTY TERMS & CONDITIONS

The length of each warranty is determined by the product's wear layer thickness.

Wear Layer Thickness	Residential	Light Commercial
6 mil	15 Years	N/A
12 mil	25 Years	7 Years
20 mil	30 Years	10 Years
22 mil	35 Years	12 Years

	Residential	Light Commercial
Date Reported from	Percentage of Material	Percentage of Material
Original Purchase	Purchase Credit	Purchase Credit
1 <sup>st</sup> Year	100%	100%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	100%	90%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Year	100%	80%
4 <sup>th</sup> Year	90%	60%
5 <sup>th</sup> Year	70%	40%
6 <sup>th</sup> Year	50%	20%
7 <sup>th</sup> Year	30%	10%
8 <sup>th</sup> Year	20%	10%
9 <sup>th</sup> Year	10%	10%
10+ years	10%	10%

### Schedule of Proration

### **EXCEPTIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

1. All warranties apply from the date of purchase and only to the original owner of the floor.

2. Wear from chairs or other furniture without proper floor protectors is not covered.

3. Indentations, scratches or surface damage caused by improper maintenance, misuse, negligence, spike heeled shoes, pebbles, sand, or other abrasives are not covered by this warranty.

4. Sub-floor irregularities can cause premature wear on the wear layer and will void the warranty.



5. Dissatisfaction or damage due to improper installation or installation contrary to Kraus' recommendations will void the warranty. Installation instructions are included in each carton of material and are available online at <a href="https://krausflooring.com">https://krausflooring.com</a>.

6. Labor on material installed with obvious defects is not covered by these warranties.

7. Labor costs on repair or replacement of material which was not originally professionally installed are not covered by this warranty.

8. Problems due to moisture, mildew, alkaline substances, or hydrostatic pressure in the sub-floor are not covered by this warranty, except as outlined in the Waterproof section of this document.

9. Using non-recommended floor care products may damage the floor and void the warranty.

10. Purchase of "closeouts", "seconds", "remnants", "mill trials" or other "irregular" (non-first quality) flooring material, or material not part of, or available in the regular Kraus product line are not warranted.

11. Warranty will be voided if product is removed from the site of original installation

12. Residential Warranty applies only to owner occupied spaces. The Light Commercial Warranty applies to residential rental properties, as well as the spaces described in the Light Commercial Wear Warranty section.

13. Warranties are voided if product is installed outdoors, or in a non-climate controlled space.

14. Exposure to long periods of direct sunlight can lead to thermal expansion, causing the planks to expand and curl. This is not a covered item under these warranties, and Kraus strongly recommends the use of blinds, curtains, or window treatments to prevent long term exposure to direct sunlight.

15. Rolling Chairs require the use of chair pads.

Note: If the Kraus floor fails to perform as stated in the applicable Limited Warranty, Kraus will, at its option: (i) repair without charge the affected flooring to conform to the warranty; or (ii) replace the affected flooring without charge, with flooring of equal value and/ or quality. Kraus will also pay for reasonable labor costs per the conditions stated above. Kraus will not pay for the removal or replacement of cabinets, appliances, or other fixtures. Replacement floors are warranted only for the remaining time of the original warranty and are not warranted to match samples or marketing materials (ie. photographs, website, etc.) or match in color, production lot, and gloss with your existing floor. THESE ARE YOUR EXCLUSIVE REMEDIES UNDER THE LIMITED WARRANTIES SET FORTH ABOVE. UNDER THE TERMS OF THESE LIMITED WARRANTIES, KRAUS WILL NOT BE LIABLE FOR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR OTHER DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, NO MATTER WHAT THE CAUSE. THERE ARE NO IMPLIED WARRANTIES, INCLUDING THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, EXTENDING BEYOND THE TERMS OF THESE LIMITED WARRANTIES, KRAUS.



### **MAINTENANCE & CARE**

#### **Routine Floor Care**

- Sweep the floor with a soft bristled broom to remove loose dirt.
- Damp mop with well wrung mop.

(Daily or as needed)

- Use of Steam Mops may damage the floor and will void the warranty.
- Spills should be cleaned up immediately.

• If a deeper cleaning is desired, clean the floor using a properly diluted pH Neutral cleaner designed for vinyl flooring such as: Armstrong Once n' Done, Rejuvenate Luxury Vinyl Floor Cleaner, or Bona Pro Series Luxury Vinyl Floor Cleaner. Follow label instructions.

#### Prevention

- The single greatest cause of damage to any flooring or floor finish is abrasion from dirt and grit. Wherever possible, use walk off mats at entrances and doorways.
- Use non-staining floor protectors under heavy furniture, chairs, and tables.
- Routinely clean or change protectors on chairs and furniture.
- Make sure to avoid rubber back rugs and mats. These can trap moisture and lead to discoloration of the flooring.
- Always use plywood or other boards when moving heavy objects across the floor.
- Never push, pull, or drag furniture, appliances, or heavy objects across the floor.

### How to File a Claim

Notify the retailer who sold you the Kraus flooring in writing describing the problem in as much detail as possible and provide proof of purchase and proof of maintenance (if applicable). Photos and detailed descriptions will help expedite the process.

If you are unable to contact your retailer please write to Kraus:

Kraus Flooring Attn: Claims PO Box 1483 Chatsworth, GA 30705