



**MERIDIAN**  
ELEVATED ESSENTIALS

## LAMINATE FLOORING

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# Lifetime Warranty

Lifetime Limited Warranty for Residential Use

Meridian is so confident in the design and durability of our Meridian flooring products and accessories, that we back them with a Lifetime Warranty. This Lifetime Warranty covers defects in material and/or workmanship which relate to joint integrity, staining, fading, wear and moisture resistance during normal residential use.

### Important Tips:

Use any non-abrasive, soap-free cleaner suitable for laminate flooring on a regular basis. NEVER USE: Abrasive pads and cleaners including nylon scouring pads and steel wool which may damage the finish.

- Footprints and dirt easily wipe away with a moist cloth. Just wring cloth well before use.
- It is recommended to remove any wet spills immediately to avoid liquid penetration into the joints.
- Use felt protectors or approved nylon pads under furniture and replace all hard plastic or metal rollers on furniture with soft rubber rollers.
- Use caution when moving large appliances such as refrigerators, ranges etc.
- Use protective mats at exterior entrances and in heavy traffic areas.
- Don't use "mop and shine" products. They will leave a dull film. Never wax or polish your floor.

### Maintenance:

Meridian Laminate Flooring is extremely hygienic and the easy care makes the floor virtually maintenance free compared to other flooring. Routine cleaning only requires vacuuming, dust mopping, or damp mopping. The use of flooring cleaner on a regular basis is all you will need to keep your floor beautiful for years to come. Larger marks and difficult stains can be easily removed with Acetone (nail polish remover) or other solvents containing alcohol.

### Stain Problems and Solutions:

Stain: Grease, Juice, Wine

Solution: Any non-abrasive cleaner or warm water and soap-free household cleaner

Stain: Crayon, Asphalt, Nail Polish, Paint

Solution: Denatured alcohol or Acetone (nail polish remover), then warm water and a soap-free household cleaner

Stain: Gum, Candle Wax

Solution: Allow to harden, then gently scrape free with a plastic scraper

To qualify for any repair or replacement, you will need to provide the original dated sales receipt or other documentation to demonstrate proof of purchase. For your records, fill in the following information and keep in a safe place with your original documentation.

Retailer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Retailer Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Purchase Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Product Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Retailer Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## General Terms and Conditions for Laminate Warranties:

Meridian flooring and accessories carry the specific warranties listed above. In addition to the requirements specified for each of those particular warranties, the following general terms and conditions also apply. If you have questions regarding the warranty information, please contact your retailer or our website [www.meridian-flooring.com](http://www.meridian-flooring.com)

1. This warranty applies only to the first owner and the first installation of the product and may not be transferred. The "first owner" is the person stated as the buyer on the purchase document(s). This warranty applies only to first quality Meridian brand product purchases made after the edition date of these warranty conditions for the designated time period when the product is installed in a private residence.
2. This product warranty only applies to defects inherent to the material supplied. This means any material or production defects, acknowledged by the manufacturer. It includes the delamination or reduced resistance of the wear layer, but does not include, in beveled-edge products, wear along the edges of the panels less than 3/16" (5mm) from the edge. Meridian will repair or replace the product, at its option. When replacement of the flooring is made, only new panels from the current product range at the time the complaint is upheld will be supplied by the distributor or retailer. There will be no other form of compensation. Responsibility under this warranty only applies to hidden defects. These are defects that were not visible before or during the installation of the laminate floor. If the product was originally professionally installed, Meridian will cover reasonable labor costs. Meridian can never be held liable and is not responsible for any secondary damage.
3. The lifetime locking warranty on the Valinge Drop Lock joint only applies to open joints greater than 0.01 inches (0.2mm).
4. This warranty applies only to first quality Meridian brand product installed according to the manufacturer's recommended installation instructions in indoor residential spaces. Proof of compliance with the installation and maintenance instructions recommended by the manufacturer must be provided if a claim is filed. In such cases where proof of compliance is not provided a Meridian warranty will be void. These instructions are located inside flooring cartons. If the instructions are not there, they should be requested from the retailer. The instructions may also be viewed at [www.meridian-flooring.com](http://www.meridian-flooring.com). If installation is not performed by the end user, at least one copy of the installation and maintenance instructions and this residential warranty must be provided to the end user by the installer.
5. This warranty does not apply to laminate flooring that has been put to abnormal use or conditions or abused in any way. "Abnormal use or conditions" includes, but is not limited to, water damage from plumbing, storm or flood, damage from smoke, fire or other casualty events; damage caused by negligence, improper alterations of the original manufactured product. "Abuse" is any use of the flooring that is unreasonable considering the normal and expected uses of a laminate floor in a residential environment. The damage to the product must be evident, measuring, per product unit (panel, accessory, etc.) at least 1.40 square centimeter or 0.5 square inch, and must not be the result of abusive, abnormal conditions or accidents, such as but not limited to, damage of mechanical nature, severe impact or scratches (caused by dragging objects or furniture) or cutting. The feet of furniture must always be covered with appropriate protective material. Chairs, sofas or furniture with castors must be fitted with soft rubber wheels, an adequate protective mat or protective castor cups must be put under this furniture.
6. A suitable mat or sufficiently large transition area at the entrance door(s) must be used to prevent sand and/or dust from damaging the flooring.
7. This warranty does not apply to damage from exposure to extreme heat, dryness, water saturation or stains as a result of chemical or industrial products (other than recommended cleaning products). The floor may not be installed in damp and/or humid areas, in extremely dry areas or areas where there are extremely high temperatures (such as saunas or swimming pool areas).
8. This warranty excludes damage caused by water, including but not limited to natural disasters (i.e. floods), naturally occurring conditions/accidents (i.e. appliance and plumbing failures), urine or standing water (water that remains on the floor longer than 30 minutes).
9. This warranty excludes damage caused by water or moisture trapped beneath the floor due to improper sub-flooring or underlayment including but not limited to damage from hydrostatic pressure (water or moisture under the floor that is transmitted to the surface through exerted pressure) or other conditions that result in water or moisture being below the floor.
10. This warranty excludes damage caused by moisture left on the floor (or on or around the skirting boards, wall base or profiles), cleaning that is too wet and/or the use of inappropriate cleaning products. \*Prolonged water exposure could damage your laminate flooring.
11. Flooring panels or accessories must be checked carefully for material defects before and during installation and under sufficient lighting. Products with visible defects must not be installed under any circumstances. The retailer must be informed in writing of such defects within 15 days. After this time has elapsed, no further complaints will be accepted. Color and gloss issues resulting from material added to an existing installation at a later date and non-warranty repairs are excluded from coverage.
12. Under no circumstances will Meridian be responsible for any loss of time, inconvenience, expenses costs or other

consequential damages caused by or resulting directly or indirectly from a problem about which a claim was made. 13. Meridian Flooring OFFERS NO OTHER WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, THAN THE ONE DESCRIBED HEREIN, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR SUITABILITY OF THE PRODUCT FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND NO OTHER REMEDIES SHALL BE AVAILABLE EXCEPT FOR THOSE PROVIDED HEREIN. Some states or countries do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.

14. The general warranty period is pro rata 33 years for flooring and 25 years for accessories. A pro rata warranty is one that provides for a refund or credit that decreases according to a set formula as the warranty period progresses. The Meridian original warranty value is reduced by the amount of time that you own it. When a claim is made, the value of the warranty becomes a percentage of ownership per year based upon the 33 years for the general warranty for flooring and 25 years for accessories. Any services provided as part of this warranty do not extend the original warranty period. If the product for which a claim is made is no longer available, the customer will be able to choose a Meridian product of equal value from the current product range.

15. If there is a conflict between these general terms and conditions and the terms and conditions of the warranties as specified, the terms and conditions of the warranties as specified shall control.

For service under this warranty please contact your local Meridian retailer. Describe the problem and in many cases, the retailer can provide you with a solution.

For installation, maintenance and technical questions please visit our website [WWW.MERIDIAN-FLOORING.COM](http://WWW.MERIDIAN-FLOORING.COM)

