



GAF-Elk Weather Stopper®
Golden Pledge® Limited
Warranty



**“Your Best & Safest Choice...
Quality You Can Trust Since 1886!”**

“The Strongest...And Safest Roof Warranty In America”

COMPARE THE GOLDEN PLEDGE® LTD. WARRANTY* TO A “TYPICAL” SHINGLE WARRANTY...

• Manufacturing Defect Coverage*

- 100% coverage period
- Covers roofing system (not just shingles)?
- Cost of installation labor included?

• Workmanship Coverage*

- 100% coverage period
- Misapplication of flashings covered?
- Installer certified?
- Tear-off costs included? (when required)
- Disposal costs included? (when required)

• Problem Prevention...

- Exclusive 40-point factory inspection of completed roof?

• Peace Of Mind*

- Wind coverage up to 130 mph Category 3 hurricane wind speed available?
- Warranty transferable?
- Free transfer?
- Good Housekeeping protection on roofing system?

“TYPICAL” Competitor’s Shingle Warranty

Only 5 yrs.
No, just shingles

Only 5 yrs.

Only 2 yrs. (Typical coverage offered by Contractor)

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NO

NO

NO

NO

NO

NO

NO

NO

MAYBE (GAF-Elk yes)

NO (GAF-Elk yes)

NO (GAF-Elk yes)

OUR Deluxe Warranty

20 yrs. or 50 yrs.
Yes, entire roofing system

25 yrs. to Lifetime (Same length as shingle warranty)

20 yrs (Coverage provided by GAF-Elk)

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YES

YES

YES

YES

YES

YES

YES

YES

FREE

YES

YES



*Review ltd. warranty (at right) for complete coverage and restrictions. Also note:
• 50 year coverage period for “Lifetime” shingles applies only to single family detached residences; for all other structures, coverage period is 20 years.
• Installer certification is related only to installations covered by GAF-Elk system warranties.
• Maximum wind coverage requires special installation.

The Legal Stuff

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING THE GOLDEN PLEDGE® LIMITED WARRANTY! THIS IS AN INTERIM WARRANTY THAT WILL EXPIRE 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF INSTALLATION. IT IS YOUR CONTRACTOR’S RESPONSIBILITY TO REGISTER THIS WARRANTY WITHIN 45 DAYS OF INSTALLATION. IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR PERMANENT WARRANTY FROM GAF-ELK IN THE MAIL WITHIN 60 DAYS, YOU SHOULD CALL GAF-ELK AT: 1-888-532-5767, OPTION 1.

What is Covered/Excluded. This warranty covers your complete GAF-Elk Corporation (“GAF-Elk”) Weather Stopper® Roof System, which includes your GAF-Elk roofing shingles, GAF-Elk starter strips, GAF-Elk ridge cap shingles, GAF-Elk attic ventilation products, GAF-Elk leak barrier, GAF-Elk roof deck protection, and GAF-Elk accessory paint (the “Weather Stopper” System). This warranty does not warrant against manufacturing defects in any non-GAF-Elk roofing products (such as roofing nails). Eligible Low Slope Roofing Products are covered by a separate Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty Addendum For Low Slope Roofs. Misapplication of the Weather Stopper® System and flashings at valleys, dormers, chimneys, and plumbing vents (the “Covered Flashings”) is also covered.

Warranty Term. Warranty coverage begins when your roof has been installed. Warranty coverage against manufacturing defects in your Weather Stopper® System extends to the end of the warranty term stated below based on the shingle you install. Warranty coverage against application defects in your Weather Stopper® System or Covered Flashings lasts for the first 20 years after application. Protection against wind damage and failure to seal lasts for the first 15 years after application. Algae discoloration (if applicable) is covered for the first 10 years after application.

Shingle Installed	Warranty Term for Mfg. Defects (yrs.) ¹	Standard Wind Speed (mph/kmh)	Max. Wind Speed (mph/kmh) ²
Royal Sovereign®	25	60/96	n/a
Marquis® WeatherMax®	30	80/130	n/a
Timberline® Natural Shadow™	30	70/110	100/160
Timberline® Prestique® 30	30	80/130	110/175
Timberline® Prestique® 40	40	80/130	110/175
Timberline® Canadian 40***	40	80/130	110/175
Timberline® Prestique® Grandé® 40	40	80/130	110/175
Timberline® Armor Shield™ II	Lifetime	110/175	130/209
Timberline® Prestique® Lifetime	Lifetime	90/145	130/209
Slateline®	Lifetime	110/175	130/209
Capstone®	Lifetime	80/130	130/209
Grand Sequoia®	Lifetime	80/130	130/209
Grand Canyon™	Lifetime	100/160	130/209
Country Mansion®	Lifetime	110/175	130/209
Grand State™	Lifetime	110/175	130/209
Camelot™	Lifetime	110/175	130/209

¹For Master Flow® ventilation products, the warranty term for manufacturing defects is 20 years (except motors and electronic components, which have 5-year coverage). (Note: Some Master Flow® products may have extended coverage under the standard Master Flow® Ltd. warranty.) For GAF-Elk accessory paint, the warranty term for manufacturing defects is one year.
²Maximum Wind Speed applies only when shingles are installed using six nails per shingle and certain GAF-Elk starter strip products (only those with factory-applied adhesive) are installed at the eaves and rakes. Shingles must be installed in strict accordance with application instructions, particularly in regard to nail placement. Otherwise, wind coverage reverts to Standard Wind Speed.

***Available only in Canada.

Limited Warranty. GAF-Elk warrants to you, the registered owner of a Weather Stopper® Roof System, that GAF-Elk will compensate you in accordance with this warranty if:

- Your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System does not remain free from manufacturing defects for the warranty term stated above or there are application errors in your Weather Stopper® System or Covered Flashings that adversely affect their performance during the warranty term for application defects, or
- Your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System is damaged by winds up to the applicable wind speed (including gusts) listed above or your shingles fail to seal during the first 15 years, or
- In the event that you purchased shingles with StainGuard® Protection, blue-green algae (also known as cyanobacteria) causes a pronounced discoloration of your StainGuard® labeled shingles during the first 10

years. Note: Preventing the pronounced algae-related discoloration of your shingles is achieved through formulations or through unique blends of granules.

Exclusive Remedies. Your exclusive remedy for any part of your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System that does not perform as stated above is:

(1) For Manufacturing Defects.

(a) **Non-Prorated Period.** The Non-Prorated Period for your Weather Stopper® System depends on the shingle installed. When “Lifetime” shingles are installed, the Non-Prorated Period (except for Master Flow® ventilation products and GAF-Elk accessory paint) is the first 50 years after application for single family detached residences (20 years for all other structures); for all other shingles, the Non-Prorated Period is the first 20 years.

For Master Flow® ventilation products, the Non-Prorated Period is 20 years (except for motors and electronic components, which have 5-year coverage).

For GAF-Elk accessory paint, the Non-Prorated Period is one year.

During the Non-Prorated Period, if any part of your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System is found to have a manufacturing defect, GAF-Elk will arrange to have your roof repaired or recovered or, at its sole option, will provide you with replacement roofing products and reimburse you for the full reasonable cost of labor (\$25 maximum for accessory paint) and other materials to repair or recover your roof, including Covered Flashings. The costs of labor to tear off some or all of your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System and disposal are included, if necessary to repair your roof.

Note: Shingle blow-offs/wind damage/failure to seal and algae discoloration are covered separately below.

b) **Subsequent Claims.** After the Non-Prorated Period, if there is a covered manufacturing defect, the repair or recover cost which GAF-Elk will pay, and the roofing products to be provided, will be reduced to reflect the amount of use you have received from your roof. The amount of use will be calculated by dividing the number of months which have elapsed since installation by the number of months in the warranty term. For installations where a “Lifetime” shingle has been installed on a single family detached residence, the prorated value of your Weather Stopper® System after 50 years will be 10%. For installations where a “Lifetime” shingle has been installed on a structure other than a single family detached residence, the following prorated factors will apply to your Weather Stopper® System:

Proration Schedule For The Weather Stopper® System Where “Lifetime” Shingles Are Installed On Structures Other Than Single Family Residences:

Years Of Service	Proration Adjustment	Years Of Service	Proration Adjustment
21-22	60%	31-32	35%
23-24	55%	33-34	30%
25-26	50%	35-40	25%
27-28	45%	41-50	20%
29-30	40%	51-Lifetime	10%

After the Non-Prorated Period, GAF-Elk’s maximum liability for any roof shall NOT exceed three times the reasonable cost of replacement shingles before any reduction for use. GAF-Elk’s maximum liability for labor to repair GAF-Elk accessory paint shall not exceed \$25.

(2) For Misapplication.

If during the warranty term for misapplication any part of your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System or Covered Flashings is found to have application errors that adversely affect their performance, GAF-Elk will arrange to have your roof repaired or recovered or, at its sole option, will provide you with replacement roofing products and reimburse you for the full reasonable cost of labor (\$25 maximum for GAF-Elk accessory paint) and other materials to repair or recover your roof, including Covered Flashings. The costs of labor to tear off some or all of your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System and disposal are included, if necessary to repair your roof.

(3) For Wind Damage/Blow-Offs/Failure To Seal (15 year coverage).

If your Weather Stopper® products do blow off, experience wind damage, or your shingles fail to seal,

GAF-Elk’s contribution to you is the reasonable costs of replacing the blown-off products (exclusive of metal work or flashings) and hand-sealing any unsealed shingles. GAF-Elk’s maximum liability under this paragraph is to reimburse you for the cost of hand-sealing all of the shingles on your roof.

(4) For Algae Discoloration (10 year coverage if you purchased shingles labeled with the StainGuard® logo).

(a) If your shingles have been applied for less than one year, GAF-Elk’s contribution will be either the cost of cleaning your shingles or the cost to repair or recover your discolored shingles, up to a maximum of the original installed cost of the affected shingles.

(b) For the next 9 years, GAF-Elk’s contribution to you will be based on the reasonable cost of replacement shingles, adjusted to reflect the amount of use you have received from your shingles.

Decisions as to the extent of repair, recover or cleaning required, and the reasonable cost of such work will be made solely by GAF-Elk. The remedy under this warranty is available only for those parts of your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System actually exhibiting manufacturing defects, misapplication (including misapplication of Covered Flashings) or blue-green algae growth at the time of settlement. Any replacement GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® products will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period. GAF-Elk reserves the right to discontinue or modify its shingles, including the colors available, so any replacement shingles may not be an exact match for the shingles on your roof. Even if GAF-Elk does not modify a color, replacement shingles may not match your original shingles due to normal weathering, manufacturing variations, or other factors.

Transferability; Remedy for New Owner. This limited warranty may be transferred only once. The second owner must notify GAF-Elk in writing within 60 days after the property transfer has occurred for any 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 first 15 years after application, the second owner shall be entitled to all benefits contained in this warranty. If the transfer takes place after the first 15 years after application, the length of this warranty shall be reduced to the two-year period after ownership changes. During the two-year period, GAF-Elk’s reimbursement to the second owner will be based on the reasonable cost of replacement Weather Stopper® products, reduced by the amount of use that has been received from your Weather Stopper® products from date of installation.

Limitations on Coverage. GAF-Elk will NOT be liable for and this warranty does NOT apply to:

- Damage to your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System resulting from anything other than an inherent manufacturing defect in the GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System products on your roof, their misapplication or their failure to seal, or the misapplication of Covered Flashings, such as:
 - inadequate attic ventilation.
 - settlement, movement, or defects in the building, walls, foundation or the roof base over which your roof system was applied.
- Damage to your GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® System resulting from causes beyond normal wear and tear such as:
 - acts of nature, such as hail, winds (or gusts) over the applicable wind speed listed above, or ice damming above the area covered by leak barriers or above flashings.
 - impact of foreign objects or traffic on the roof.
 - improper storage or handling of any roofing products.
- Shading or variations in the color of your shingles, or discoloration caused by fungus, mold, lichen, algae (except for blue-green algae if your shingles were labeled with the StainGuard® logo) or other contaminants, including that caused by organic materials on the roof.
- Chipping, fading, or peeling paint on Master Flow® ventilation products.
- Damages caused by, or the cost to repair or replace, products not supplied by GAF-Elk, including, but not limited to, counter flashing, or GAF-Elk products not specifically included above.
- Improperly designed or installed gutter or down-

spout systems.

(7) Damage to the interior or exterior of any building, including, but not limited to, mold growth.

(8) Damage to or caused by rooftop air conditioning units (and their flashing), pipe works, brace works, rooftop satellite dishes or other radio/tv devices, counter flashing, or flashings other than those specifically included above.

Claims: What You Must Do. To file a claim, including during the first two years, you must send a notice in writing, together with proof that this warranty was registered to you (and proof of transfer if the second owner has properly transferred coverage), to: GAF-Elk, Warranty Service Department, 1361 Alps Road, Wayne, New Jersey 07470, within 30 days after your discovery of the alleged claim.

NOTE: Notice to your contractor or dealer is NOT notice to GAF-Elk. Within a reasonable time after proper notification, GAF-Elk will evaluate your claim and resolve it in accordance with the terms of this warranty. GAF-Elk may require you to submit, at your expense, sample roofing products for testing and photographs. You should retain this certificate for your records in the event you need to file a claim.

Sole and Exclusive Warranty. THIS 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 THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. This written warranty is your exclusive warranty from GAF-Elk Corporation and represents the SOLE REMEDY available to any owner of GAF-Elk’s Weather Stopper® products. GAF-Elk makes NO OTHER REPRESENTATIONS, CONDITION, GUARANTEE, OR WARRANTY of any kind other than that stated herein. GAF-ELK 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, whether for breach of this warranty, negligence, strict liability in tort, or for any other cause. Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages so the above exclusions or limitations may not apply to you.

Modification of Warranty. This limited warranty may not be changed or modified except in writing, signed by an officer of GAF-Elk. No one (other than an officer of GAF-Elk) has authority to assume any additional liability or responsibility for GAF-Elk in connection with your Weather Stopper® products except as described in this warranty. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

Special Note: First Two Years. If your claim arises out of an application error in your Weather Stopper System or Covered Flashings, which is discovered or discoverable within the first two years after installation, it is the obligation of your Master Elite™ roofing contractor to make all necessary repairs. In the event that your Master Elite roofing contractor is unable or unwilling to perform these repairs, GAF-Elk will arrange to have your roof repaired.

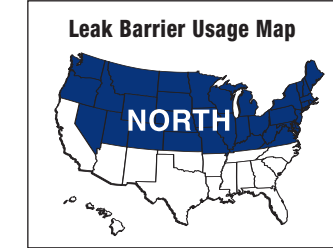
Special Note: Ventilation/Flashings. Due to the design of certain buildings, installation of minimum adequate ventilation or the replacement of existing flashings may be difficult, costly, or impractical. Please be sure to review these items with your roofing contractor.

Effectiveness: This limited warranty will not take effect unless all eligibility requirements have been satisfied and your roofing contractor has been paid in full.

Eligibility Requirements for the Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty

To be eligible for the Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty, you MUST fulfill these requirements:

- You MUST install a full roof; roofs installed on portions of buildings (such as half a roof on a duplex structure) do not qualify.
- Your roof MUST be installed by a GAF-Elk Master Elite™ Roofing Contractor.
- The roof system must NOT be installed over an existing roof—all existing materials must be removed to the deck.
- You MUST use GAF-Elk Deck-Armor™ or Shingle-Mate® Roof Deck Protection. Note: If eligible products are not available, you may substitute any #30 ASTM D4869 felt or any #15 or #30 ASTM D226 felt.
- You MUST use GAF-Elk Weather Watch®, StormGuard®, or UnderRoof™ 2 Leak Barrier in valleys and around dormers, side walls, firewalls, chimneys, plumbing vents, and skylights. In addition, in the North (see map), Weather Watch® or StormGuard® Leak Barrier must also be used at all eaves to at least 24” inside of the warm wall. Weather Watch® or StormGuard® products are highly recommended (but not required) at all roof rakes and other vulnerable leak areas.
- You MUST use certain GAF-Elk pre-cut starter strip products (only those with factory-applied adhesive) at the eaves. Note: To obtain maximum wind coverage, you must use GAF-Elk pre-cut starter strip products (with factory-applied adhesive) at the eaves and rakes and you must install each shingle using 6 nails.
- You MUST use COBRA® ridge ventilation with adequate intake ventilation. (Note: GAF-Elk Master Flow® exhaust ventilation products can be substituted ONLY if COBRA® ridge ventilation cannot be installed due to a structure’s architecture, e.g., post and beam construction, shed roofs, etc.) In any event, ventilation should meet the following standards:



Minimum net free ventilation area of 1 sq. foot/meter per 150 sq. feet/meter of ceiling area is required. When intake vents are located at the eaves and exhaust vents are located near the roof’s peak (in a properly balanced system) for maximum air flow, ventilation may be reduced to 1 sq. foot/meter per 300 sq. feet/meter.

- You MUST use eligible GAF-Elk roofing shingles (see Application Form at right for eligible products).
- You MUST use eligible GAF-Elk ridge cap shingles (see Application Form at right for eligible products) or shingles that correspond to the shingle product you are installing, as follows:

GAF-ELK SHINGLE INSTALLED	CORRESPONDING GAF-ELK RIDGE CAP PRODUCTS
Royal Sovereign®	• Cut-up Royal Sovereign® Shingles • Cut-up Marquis® WeatherMax® Shingles • Any GAF-Elk ridge cap shingle
Marquis® WeatherMax®	• Cut-up Marquis® WeatherMax® shingles • Any GAF-Elk ridge cap shingle
All Other Shingles	• Any GAF-Elk ridge cap shingle

- To improve the finished look of the roof, the use of GAF-Elk accessory paint is highly recommended (but NOT required).
- New metal flashing(s) MUST be installed (unless existing flashing(s) are in like-new condition or are at “unworkable” wall interfaces). Metal drip edge MUST be used at eaves and is recommended (but not required) at rake edges.

In addition to the requirements listed above, your Installer must register and pay for this warranty. The warranty can be registered online at GAF-Elk Certified Contractor Zone (visit www.contractors.gaf.com) or the attached Warranty Application Form and appropriate registration fee can be mailed to GAF-Elk. If your Contractor has not registered your warranty within 45 days after installation, GAF-Elk reserves the right not to issue the Golden Pledge® Ltd. warranty.

Special Note: On projects that total more than 250 squares, the permanent Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty will be issued only if the project passes GAF-Elk’s final inspection. GAF-Elk reserves the right to withhold the warranty if the roof has not been installed according to GAF-Elk’s written application instructions. (GAF-Elk also strongly recommends that your Master Elite™ Contractor schedule a start-up and at least one interim inspection on projects of 250 squares or more by contacting GAF-Elk at least three weeks prior to the start of roof work.)

Note: In Canada, only the Timberline®, Prestique® and High Definition® logos are registered trademarks.



Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty Application Form

Owner’s Name _____ Phone (_____) _____
Street, City, State/Province _____ Zip/PC _____
Street, City, State/Province of building, if different _____ Zip/PC _____
Owner’s email address _____
Contractor’s Name _____
Street, City, State/Province _____ Zip/PC _____
Phone (_____) _____ GAF-Elk Master Elite™ # (MUST include) _____

CONTRACTOR: INDICATE PRODUCT USED IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

- GAF-Elk Roof Deck Protection**
 - Timberline® Prestique® 40
 - Timberline® Canadian 40***
 - Timberline® Prestique® Grandé® 40
 - Timberline® ArmorShield™ II
 - Timberline® Prestique® Lifetime
 - Slateline®
 - Capstone®
 - Grand Sequoia®
 - Grand Canyon™
 - Country Mansion®
 - Grand State™
 - Camelot™
 - Other GAF-Elk _____
- GAF-Elk Leak Barrier**
 - Weather Watch®
 - StormGuard®
 - UnderRoof™ 2
- GAF-Elk Pre-Cut Starter Strip**
 - WeatherBlocker™
 - Pro-Start™
 - WeatherStop™
 - Other GAF-Elk _____
- GAF-Elk Ridge Cap Shingles**
 - Timbertex®
 - Seal-A-Ridge®
 - Ridglass®
 - Sequoia®/Canyon™
 - Z® Ridge
 - Vented RidgeCrest™
 - Other GAF-Elk _____
- GAF-Elk Attic Exhaust Ventilation**
 - Timberline® Natural Shadow™
 - Timberline® Prestique® 30
 - COBRA® Ridge Runner™ (rigid roll)
- GAF-Elk Accessory Paint**
 - ShingleMatch™
 - No accessory paint used

Type of Structure: Single family, detached residence Multi-family HOA/Condo Assoc. Commercial Property
Number of Squares _____ Color _____
Date of Installation _____ Cost of Installation _____

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Owner Sign Here _____ Date _____
(Acknowledges that the roofing system has been installed satisfactorily)
Contractor Sign Here _____ Date _____
(Certifies that above information is accurate, that all eligibility requirements have been satisfied, and that roofing system has been installed according to GAF-Elk’s written application instructions)

To assist other homeowners who may be interested in viewing homes with your color and style of shingle, we would like to include your address in our files. No information other than your address, shingle style, and color will be released.
 Yes, GAF-Elk may include me in its file to assist other homeowners No, please do not include me

GAF-Elk Master Elite™ Contractor (NOT property owner) must register and pay for this warranty. Warranty can be registered online at GAF-Elk Certified Contractor Zone (visit www.gaf.com) or this form can be mailed with business check or money order made payable to GAF-Elk Corporation to: GAF-Elk • 1361 Alps Road • CCP Cashier, Bldg. 2 • Wayne, NJ 07470

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO OWNER:

Thank you for choosing the GAF-Elk Weather Stopper® Roofing System and Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty for your home! This is an interim warranty. If you have not received your permanent Golden Pledge® Ltd. Warranty from GAF-Elk in the mail within 60 days, contact your Master Elite™ Contractor or call GAF-Elk at: 1-888-532-5767, and select option 1.