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Congratulations! Thank you for purchasing "CrossTimbers® Decking" (which includes CrossTimbers Classic™ Professional Grade™, Professional Grade™ FR, and Professional Grade High Definition™ decking, fascia board, and corner trim) and/or "RailWays® Railing System" (which includes Traditional, Signature, Select, and Standard Series Railings, all system components [except lighting and secondary handrails, which are covered under a separate warranty], and Uni-Ball™ connectors) from GAF-Elk Corporation. "CrossTimbers Decking" and "RailWays Railing System" are collectively referred to below as the "CrossTimbers System." While many factors can affect how long your CrossTimbers System will last, this Limited Warranty covers your CrossTimbers System in the unlikely event that it contains a manufacturing defect. This Limited Warranty provides for 100% coverage for the crucial first two years after installation (the Smart Choice Protection Period) and continued coverage for extended periods after that time.

Who Is Covered By This Limited Warranty

You are covered by this warranty if you live in the continental United States, Hawaii, or Canada and are the original property owner/consumer (i.e., not a builder or installer) or the first subsequent owner if this warranty was properly transferred and your CrossTimbers System is NOT installed in an environment designed for public use and subject to a high level of traffic.

This Limited Warranty may be transferred one time only. The second owner must notify GAF-Elk in writing within 60 days after the property transfer for warranty coverage to be transferred and pay a \$75 fee. (Other than this one transfer, this warranty may not be transferred or assigned, directly or indirectly.) If the transfer takes place within the first two years, the second owner has the same coverage as the original owner. If the transfer takes place afterwards, the length of this warranty shall be reduced to the three-year period after ownership changes but otherwise has the same coverage as the original owner.

What Is Covered By This Limited Warranty

GAF-Elk warrants that your CrossTimbers System will remain free from manufacturing defects that adversely affect its performance during the warranty term and shall not split, splinter, or suffer structural damage from termites during that time.

Your Sole And Exclusive Remedy

The remedy you are entitled to depends on when you make a claim to GAF-Elk, that is, whether during the Smart Choice Protection Period or during the Remaining Warranty Period (see table below).

Product	Warranty Term	Smart Choice Protection Period (100% Installation Labor & Material)	Remaining Warranty Period (100% Material Only)
CrossTimbers® Classic™	20 yrs	First 2 yrs	Years 3-20
CrossTimbers® Professional Grade™	25 yrs	First 2 yrs	Years 3-25
CrossTimbers® Professional Grade High Definition™	30 yrs	First 2 yrs	Years 3-30
RailWays® Railing System*	20 yrs	First 2 yrs	Years 3-20

*If your RailWays Railing System is installed along with CrossTimbers Decking, the warranty term for your RailWays Railing System will match the warranty term on the CrossTimbers Decking installed.

(1) **During the Smart Choice® Protection Period:** GAF-Elk will pay you the full reasonable cost of labor to repair or replace any defective CrossTimbers System products and will provide replacement CrossTimbers products (excluding Sabre Clips, unless the existing Sabre Clips have failed due to a manufacturing defect), or their reasonable cost, at GAF-Elk's sole option. GAF-Elk will not pay to tear off your CrossTimbers System or to dispose of it.

(2) **During the Remaining Warranty Period:** After the second year, labor will no longer be included. GAF-Elk's contribution to you will be based on either providing you with replacement CrossTimbers System products (excluding Sabre Clips, unless the existing Sabre Clips have failed due to a manufacturing defect) or, at GAF-Elk's choice, reimbursing you for the reasonable cost of obtaining replacement CrossTimbers System products.

Limitations On Coverage

Unlike some warranties, this limited warranty remains in effect even if your CrossTimbers System was **not** properly installed according to GAF-Elk's application instructions or standard good construction practices. However, GAF-Elk will NOT compensate you for:

- (1) Damages resulting from anything other than an inherent manufacturing defect in your CrossTimbers System, such as:
 - (a) application of your CrossTimbers System not in strict accordance with GAF-Elk's printed application instructions or building codes, or in an application not recommended by GAF-Elk, if the improper installation was the cause of the damage.
 - (b) settlement, movement or defects in the building, foundation, supporting structure or ground where your CrossTimbers System was applied.
 - (c) decking fasteners backing out or failing.
 - (d) inadequate ventilation under your CrossTimbers Decking.
- (2) Damages resulting from causes beyond normal wear and tear, such as:
 - (a) acts of God, such as earthquakes, flooding, lightning, hail, hurricanes, tornadoes or windstorms;
 - (b) impact of foreign objects or traffic on your CrossTimbers System.
 - (c) improper storage or handling of your CrossTimbers System.
 - (d) any exposure to or application of paints or any improper cleaning solutions, coatings, liquid chemicals, or exposure to environmental contaminants (such as air pollution or fungus, mold, lichen or algae or other contaminants)
 - (e) mechanical damage, such as scuffing or scratching.
- (3) Fading, shading, or variations in the color of your CrossTimbers System, including discoloration caused by normal weathering, or chipping, scratching, or fading of paint on any metal components, including Sabre Clips. **Note:** color variation occurs naturally during the manufacturing process and should be expected. When exposed to the weather, color variation due to weathering may vary between areas exposed to differing amounts of sunlight.
- (4) Labor and disposal costs, except as specifically provided for above.
- (5) Damage to the interior or exterior of any building, including, but not limited to, mold growth.

Other Limitations And Conditions

Decisions as to the extent of repair required, and the reasonable cost of such work, will be made solely by GAF-Elk. GAF-Elk reserves the right to arrange directly for your

CrossTimbers System products to be repaired instead of reimbursing you for such work. The remedy under this warranty is available only for that part of your CrossTimbers System actually exhibiting manufacturing defects at the time that your claim is settled. Any replacement CrossTimbers System products will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period. GAF-Elk reserves the right to discontinue or modify its CrossTimbers System products, including the colors available, so any replacement CrossTimbers System products may not be an exact match for the CrossTimbers System installed. Even if GAF-Elk does not modify a color, replacement CrossTimbers System products may not match your original CrossTimbers System products due to normal weathering.

Claims: What You Must Do

To file a claim, you must send a notice in writing, together with proof of purchase to establish that you are the original owner (or proof of transfer if the second owner has properly transferred coverage), proof of application date and a description and pictures of the alleged defect, to: GAF-Elk, 9806 Lackman, Lenexa, KS 66129, within 30 days after your discovery of the alleged defect. **NOTE:** Notice to your contractor, dealer, or home builder 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 this Warranty. If you replace your CrossTimbers System before GAF-Elk has an opportunity to evaluate your claim, your claim may be denied. You should have this warranty certificate signed and dated by your contractor, dealer, or home builder to help establish proof of purchase and related information. You should retain this warranty for your records in the event that 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 and represents the SOLE REMEDY available to any owner of GAF-Elk's CrossTimbers System. 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 CrossTimbers System 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. (NOTE: Warranty subject to change. For current information, visit www.gaf.com or write to GAF-Elk, 9806 Lackman, Lenexa, KS 66129.)

Effective Date

This Limited Warranty is effective for GAF-Elk CrossTimbers Systems installed after January 1, 2008.

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Smart Choice® CrossTimbers® & RailWays® Ltd. Warranty Registration Form

Please register online at www.gaf.com/registermywarranty or complete the information below, detach this form, and mail to GAF-Elk Corporation, 9806 Lackman, Lenexa, KS 66219 USA. (Note: Registration is not required for warranty coverage).

Owner's Name _____ Phone (_____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip Code/P.C. _____

Address of building, if different _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip Code/P.C. _____

Contractor's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip Code/P.C. _____

Contractor's Phone (_____) _____

1. Indicate GAF-Elk CrossTimbers® Decking Product Used:

Classic™ Professional Grade™ FR (Fire Resistant) Professional Grade™ Professional Grade™ High Definition

2. Indicate GAF-Elk RailWays® Railing Product Used:

Traditional Series Signature Series Select Series Standard Series

3. Indicate GAF-Elk Accessory Products Used:

Sabre Clip Fascia Uni-Ball™ Connectors Trim Post Caps
 Structural Post Lighting* Secondary Handrail* Post/Post Sleeves Collars

Number of square feet of decking _____ Color _____

Lineal feet of railing _____

Date of installation _____ Cost of Installation _____

Owner's signature _____

Contractor's signature _____ Date _____

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Owner Warranty Record

To be completed by owner and contractor. Keep this warranty record with your contractor's receipt for future reference. **DO NOT SEND TO GAF-ELK.**

Owner's Name _____

Address Where Applied _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip Code/P.C. _____

Contractor's Name _____

City _____

State/Province _____ Zip Code/P.C. _____

Contractor's Phone (_____) _____

1. Indicate GAF-Elk CrossTimbers® Decking Products Used:
 Classic™ Professional Grade™ Fire Resistant
 Professional Grade™ Professional Grade™ High Definition

2. Indicate GAF-Elk RailWays® Railing Products Used:
 Traditional Series Signature Series Select Series Standard Series

3. Indicate GAF-Elk Accessory Products Used:
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