

StrataWorx™ Tile Backing System – Ten Year Commercial Limited Warranty

StrataWorx Tile (Modular) is a backing system made with a thermoplastic polyolefin compound with a fiberglass reinforcing layer and a fleece backing layer.

The following is the Ten Year Commercial Limited Warranty issued by Shaw Industries, Inc. ("Shaw") for our **StrataWorx Tile (Modular)** backing system, when used in Commercial applications.

This Ten Year Commercial Limited Warranty begins when the carpeting is purchased. The carpet must be installed in accordance with Shaw Contract's installation guidelines and specifications. The carpet must be maintained in accordance with Shaw Contract's maintenance (carpet care) recommendations and such maintenance (carpet care) continues throughout the duration of the original installation.

The Ten Year Commercial Limited Warranty is further limited to the period of time the carpet is owned and maintained by the original end-use purchaser. The basis of any warranty related claim is the original Shaw invoice or authorized Shaw dealer invoice.

Installation guidelines and specifications along with carpet care recommendations can be obtained from your dealer or from Shaw Contract Inforum at 1-877-502-7429 or on-line at the Shaw Contract web site at www.shawcontract.com

WHAT THE WARRANTY COVERS:

Fiber - Abrasive Wear - Shaw warrants that, under normal use, carpet using our approved face fiber will lose no more than 10% of the pile face fiber, by weight, during the warranty period. This warranty does not cover appearance retention, matting and crushing and normal appearance changes in heavy traffic areas.

Fiber - Static Protection - Shaw warrants that, under normal use, carpet using our approved face fiber will not generate static build-up in excess of 3.5 kV, during the warranty period as tested by AATCC Test Method 134.

Backing - Tuftbind/Zippering - Shaw warrants that, under normal use, the carpet coated with this backing system will provide superior tuft bind properties in heavy traffic environments.

Backing - Edge Ravel - Shaw warrants that, under normal use, carpet coated with this backing system will not edge ravel.

Backing - Integrity/Delamination - Shaw warrants that, under normal use, the secondary backing on carpet coated with this backing system will not delaminate from the face carpet.

Backing - Integrity/Dimensional Stability - Shaw warrants that, under normal use, carpet coated with this backing system will provide dimensional stability, per the AACHEN Test.

WHAT IF YOU NEED WARRANTY SERVICES:

You (the original purchaser) should notify the authorized Shaw Dealer and/or your sales representative and submit in writing, the following:

- A valid proof of purchase in the form of a sales receipt or other documents, which establish proof of purchase.
- A detailed description of the problem and/or a photograph/sample that clearly shows the warranty problem. To: www.shawonline.com or Shaw Industries – Financial Services, P.O. Box 2128, Dalton, GA 30722.

Shaw will designate a representative to inspect the carpet in question and evaluate the warranty claim.

WHAT SHAW WILL DO:

Should a defect covered under this warranty be found, the affected area will be repaired to conform to the warranty. If repair is not commercially practical, Shaw may, at its sole option, replace the affected carpet or refund the proportional purchase price for the affected area.

Shaw will pay the reasonable costs for freight and labor. Any costs incurred for the moving of equipment, furnishings, partitions and the like, that were installed over the Shaw commercial product will be at the consumer's expense.

WHAT CONDITIONS APPLY?

This warranty does not cover the following:

- Carpet installed on stairs or in areas subject to abnormal foot-traffic use (i.e. golf spikes, other spiked footwear, ski boots, and the like).
- Damage from flooding or excessive moisture from existing moisture issues or alkalinity related issues.
- Burns, cuts, fading, matting, pills, pulls, odor, soiling, staining, tears or damage due to improper installation or due to improper cleaning agents or methods.

Any moisture related testing (i.e. calcium chloride, relative humidity and pH), is not the responsibility of Shaw Industries and all issues related to moisture, including any carpet related issues from this warranty.

Note: Relative Humidity results of flooring per ASTM F-2170 of 85% or less and Calcium Chloride results per ASTM F-1869 of 5 lbs or less with a pH of between 5 and 9 is acceptable. For best results, ambient temperatures should remain above 50°F and the ambient humidity should not fall below 40% RH.

Chair pads are recommended under roller caster chairs to inhibit premature wear of the surface of the carpet. Replacement carpet will come only from current running-line products comparable to the warranted product.

Please note - The warranty is not transferable. It extends only to the original retail purchaser. Shaw does not grant to any person or entity the authority to create for it any obligation or liability in connection with this product. Shaw shall not be liable to the consumer or any other person or entity for any incidental, special or consequential damages, arising out of breach of this limited warranty or any implied limited warranty (excluding merchantability).

All implied warranties, including an implied warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, are hereby limited to the duration of this limited warranty. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of implied warranties or the limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to the purchaser. This warranty gives the purchaser specific legal rights, such rights may vary from State to State.