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# INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR LUXURY VINYL FLOORING

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In addition to instructions below, also refer to the SABS Installation of Resilient Thermoplastic and similar flexible floor covering materials STANDARD — SANS 10070. VANGUARD LVT is to be installed by a professional installer to validate warranty.

### INSTALLATION AND FLOOR PREPARATION

- All material needs to be acclimatized on site for no less than 24 hours prior to installation.
- Do not mix dye batches.
- Lay out the job and chalk lines as you would for any other floor tile installation.
- Planks should not be cut less than 20cm long or less than the width of the plank.
- Vanguard Luxury Vinyl products can be cut using a sharp utility knife – scribe and snap material.
- Vanguard Luxury Vinyl can be installed with underfloor heating using the screeding system (heaters installed and screeded over) vinyl to be installed over the screeded surface. It is important that a screed temperature of 27° C is not exceeded and it is therefore essential that a control thermostat be incorporated into the screed.

### ADHESIVES

- A high performance LVT adhesive is recommended for the installation of all fully-bonded Vanguard LVTs. However, contact adhesive, two-part Polyurethane adhesive can also be used. Care must be taken when using these adhesives. \*\*For more information on adhesives or adhesive selection contact your adhesive supplier\*\*
- Adhesive to be applied using the correct notched trowel – see adhesive manufacturers' recommendations.
- Careful consideration must be given to telegraphing/ridging of adhesive.
- Press planks firmly against adjoining planks into adhesive
- After setting the planks into the adhesive, the floor must immediately be rolled in both directions with a 68kg articulated roller.
- Remove any adhesive from the surface of the tile while wet, using a clean damp towel.
- Allow adhesive to cure/set for not less than 24 hours before allowing heavy traffic in the installed area (follow adhesive manufacturer's instructions).

### CARING FOR YOUR VANGUARD LVT

- Use protective walk off mats in front of doors to remove excess soiling from shoes/feet. If mats are placed directly on top of your vinyl floor, be sure the mats have a non-staining back. Rubber mats will react with the vinyl causing it to stain.
- Use proper floor protectors (not rubber) on furniture legs, etc. to prevent damage to your vinyl floor. Use protector mats to protect the floor from damage where castor wheels are in use.
- Clean your floor daily to remove dust, loose dirt and grit with a microfiber mop and non-scratch broom.
- Clean liquid spills immediately to prevent the possibility of stains, slips or falls. Use a PH neutral cleaner appropriate for vinyl flooring.
- Do not wax or use chemical treatment of any kind on your Luxury Vinyl floor.
- Do not use excessive water to clean as this can cause damage to the sub floor.
- Vanguard LVT's are scratch resistant but not scratch proof.

### BENEFITS

- Hard Wearing
- Moisture resistant
- Easy to maintain
- Low noise levels
- Natural look
- Cost effective
- Stain resistant

# WARRANTY

## **WOODLANDS (10 year Commercial Warranty)**

\*WOODLANDS must be professionally installed by a FITA accredited installer, to validate warranty.

## **PLANTATION (10 year Commercial Warranty)**

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## **NATURES LOOK (15 year limited Residential Warranty and 5 year limited Light Commercial Warranty)**

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## **PARQUET (10 year Commercial Warranty)**

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## **FLAGSTONE (10 year Commercial Warranty)**

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### **1. Vanguard Collection provides a warranty that:**

- Vanguard vinyl flooring will be free of manufacturing defects.
- If such defect occurs, upon a verification of the defect, Vanguard Collection will authorize repair or replacement of the affected area.

### **2. This warranty does not include the following:**

- Improper installation – not professionally installed or improper adhesive/trowel used. Workmanship errors should be addressed to the contractor who installed the floor.
- Installed with obvious manufacturing defects.
- Improper maintenance; dulled by soaps, detergents, harsh chemicals, dressings, one-step cleaners or wax
- Damaged by narrow tipped heels, burns, cigarette burns, cuts, scratches, gouges and indentations including damage from improper floor protectors and furniture rests; staining caused by dyes tracked from carpet, fertilizers, coal, tar, driveway sealers, oil drippings or other similar materials; faded or discoloured by sunlight or heat generation. The LVT is UV treated and stable in accordance to flooring standards, however possible fading / lightening of the floor in significant sun light is to be expected and it is recommended that window protection be considered to assist with blocking of direct sun light onto the floor.
- Problems or damage due to moisture and/or alkalinity in sub floor; discoloration or bond release from hydrostatic pressure or excessive moisture caused by flooding, plumbing and appliance leaks and water leakage.
- Installed over unstable (installed over particleboard, chip wood or pressboard) or improperly prepared sub floors; wet/cold floor;
- Different from samples or printed material in shade, colour or embossing.

### **3. Other limitations:**

- This warranty is not transferable.
- Manufacturing defect must be reported within 3 months from the date of purchase.
- This warranty covers only properly installed and maintained floors.
- Vanguard Collection excludes and will not pay for any consequential or incidental damages under this limited warranty.
- Vanguard Collection will not pay for the loss of time, inconvenience or other incidental expenses incurred during initial installation.
- Vanguard Collection reserves the right of final judgment and may refuse claims in certain instances.
- No representative, employee, or agent of Vanguard Collection is authorized to modify or change the limited warranty as stated herein.

### **4. How to contact us:**

This warranty service is available only by notice to Vanguard Collection through the floor-covering dealer from whom the purchase was made. Notification must be accompanied by a copy of the original receipt and can only be authorized from Vanguard.

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