

RESIDENTIAL WARRANTY CONDITIONS

QUICK-STEP® PARQUET FLOORING

OVERVIEW

Product	Residential Warranty * & Click System	Edge Protect +	Surface Protect +	Commercial
Massimo	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	10 years (until first refinishing)	10 years (until first refinishing)	On Demand
Imperio	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	10 years (until first refinishing)	10 years (until first refinishing)	On Demand
Palazzo	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	10 years (until first refinishing)	10 years (until first refinishing)	On Demand
Castello	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	10 years (until first refinishing)	10 years (until first refinishing)	On Demand
Compact	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	10 years (until first refinishing)	10 years (until first refinishing)	On Demand
Variano	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	X	X	On Demand
Intenso	Lifetime (limited to 33 years)	X	X	On Demand

GENERAL CONDITIONS

This Warranty is valid on Quick•Step® parquet and Quick•Step® accessories

The Quick-Step® warranty can only be invoked if all of the following conditions have been fulfilled. In case of doubt, contact the manufacturer or distributors or retailers.

1. This warranty applies only to the first owner and the first installation of the product and is not transferable. The person deemed to be the first owner is the person stated as the buyer on the purchase invoice. This warranty applies to all purchases of the aforesaid first-grade Quick-Step® brand product made after the edition date of these warranty conditions (see below).

2. Flooring panels and accessories must be checked carefully for material defects under optimal light conditions before and during installation. Products with visible defects must not be installed under any circumstances. Installation implies acceptance. The distributor must be informed in writing of such defects within 15 days. After this time has elapsed, no further complaints will be accepted. Under no circumstances can *Unilin bvba, division Flooring*, be held 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.
3. "INSTALLATION IMPLIES ACCEPTANCE"
No warranty will be offered for appearance claims once the product is installed. The nominated party "owner, installer or representative" takes ownership and has final responsibility to ensure that they have received the correct product that was selected.
4. This product warranty only applies to defects inherent to the material supplied. This is understood to mean any material or production defects, acknowledged by the manufacturer, including delamination of the toplayer.
5. The lifetime warranty on the Uniclic® and Multifit® joint only applies to permanent open joints wider than 0.2mm.

WARRANTY PERIOD AND VALUE

This warranty is valid for the lifetime of the product (limited to 33 years) and on the Uniclic® connections between the various parquet panels. "Protect +" warranty: see overview and below. The date of purchase is the invoice date. The original purchase invoice, duly dated and carrying the distributor's or retailer's stamp, will need to be submitted. The residential warranty may only be invoked if all the above mentioned conditions are met.

SCOPE

1. The general Quick-Step® residential warranty applies solely for indoor installations in a residential application. For other applications, please see "Commercial warranty" below. If the application does not come under the "Commercial warranty" an individual written warranty must be requested from the manufacturer.
2. The Quick-Step® parquet floor must be installed following the Quick-Step® installation method using the approved Quick-Step® accessories. The customer / fitter must be able to provide proof of compliance with the manufacturer's installation and maintenance instructions. These instructions are located in the flooring packaging (in 1 out of 3 boxes) or in any separate accessories packaging. If the instructions are not there, they should be requested from the manufacturer, distributor / retailer or they can be consulted at www.quick-step.com. The customer / fitter must be able to provide proof that only the recommended Quick-Step® accessories were used to install the parquet floor (identifiable from the Quick-Step® label). If installation is not performed by the end user, at least one copy of these installation and maintenance instructions as well as the warranty conditions (also in 1 box out of 3 or at www.quick-step.com) must be provided to the end-user by the installer.

3. In addition to this the following must be considered: Gloss changing is not surface wear. For these types of application, superficial surface scratches as a result of daily use have to be accepted.
4. The damage to the product must be evident, measuring, per product unit (panel, accessory, etc.) at least one cm², and must not be the result of abusive conditions or accidents, such as, but not limited to, damage of mechanical nature such as severe impact, scratching (for example caused by dragging of furniture) or cutting. The feet of furniture must always be provided with appropriate protective material. Chairs, settees (sofas) or furniture with castors must be fitted with soft wheels or an adequate protective mat or protective castor cups must be put under this furniture.
5. The ingress of sand and/or dust on to the floor must be prevented by installing a suitable mat at all entrance door(s).
6. Cooking islands for kitchens and other very heavy objects should not be placed on top of the floating parquet. The floating parquet floor must be able to move around the heavy objects to avoid open joints and separating planks.
7. This warranty does not cover damage to the product caused by:
 - Installation error. The Quick-Step® product must be installed following the Quick-Step® installation method using the approved Quick-Step® accessories;
 - Accidents, abuse or misuse, such as scratches, blows, cuts or damage caused by sand and other abrasive materials, whether caused by a contractor, a service company, or end user;
 - Exposure to extreme temperature or relative humidity variations;
 - Improper maintenance.

“PROTECT +” WARRANTY

1. “Edge Protect +”:
 - Provides a warranty on build-up of residue dirt along the edges of Quick-Step® products due to maintenance over the years.
2. “Surface Protect +” provides a warranty:
 - on pollution of the surface structure of the lacquered Quick-Step® products.
3. “The Protect +” warranty conditions:
 - are valid in case of normal residential use with proper maintenance.
 - apply to the original surface finishing and expires in case of excessive wear or the need to refinishing the floor.
4. The floor may not be installed in very humid areas or in extremely dry areas or areas where there are extremely high temperatures (such as but not limited to saunas, pool areas and rooms with build-in drains like showers).

5. Cleaning efforts involving too much water and / or the use of inappropriate cleaning products must be avoided at all times. Since prolonged moisture exposure could irreversibly damage your parquet flooring the Quick-Step® installation instructions must be followed.
6. The water resistance warranty excludes damages caused by natural disasters (i.e. floods) or naturally occurring conditions/accidents (i.e. plumbing failures, pet urine, leaking dishwashers,)

COMMERCIAL WARRANTY

The Quick•Step® commercial warranty can be obtained upon request. No other warranties of any kind are granted, either explicitly or implicitly, including saleability or suitability for a specific purpose.

Unilin bvba, Flooring division is not liable for labor costs, installation costs or similar costs. Consequential damage, unusual damage and incidental damage are not covered by this warranty.

For any service-provision under this warranty, it is best to contact your local Quick•Step® retailer or you can send your proof of purchase and a description of your complaint to:

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LIABILITY

Unilin bvba, division Flooring, reserves the right, and must be offered the opportunity, to inspect the complaint in situ and, where applicable, to inspect the floor in its installed condition.

Liability arising from this warranty is restricted to:

- Hidden defects. These are defects that were not visible before or during the installation of the parquet floor.
- The cost of removing and replacing the material is borne by the purchaser. If the product was originally professionally installed, *Unilin bvba, division Flooring*, will cover reasonable labor costs.
- Unilin bvba, division Flooring can never be held liable for any secondary damage.

Unilin bvba, division Flooring, will repair or replace the product, at its option. In case where a replacement of the flooring is agreed upon, only new panels of the current supply program at the time the complaint is upheld, will be supplied by the distributor's or retailer's. There will be no other form of compensation.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary from state to state. For service under this warranty please contact your local Quick-Step® retailer or mail in proof of purchase and description of claim to:

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APPLICABLE LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

No other warranties of any kind are granted, either explicitly or implicitly, including sale ability or suitability for a specific purpose. *Unilin bvba, division Flooring* is not liable for labor costs, installation costs or similar costs. Consequential damage, unusual damage and incidental damage are not covered by this warranty. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.