

TruSlate<sup>™</sup>  
Ultimate Pledge Limited Warranty  
Brochure

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Quality You Can Trust Since 1886!*

# "Your Last Roof Warranty"



**InruSlate**  
"THE AFFORDABLE GENUINE SLATE"



"Quality You Can Trust  
Since 1886...From  
North America's Largest  
Roofing Manufacturer"



# TruSlate™ Ultimate 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 (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ SlateCrafter™ Specialist # (MUST include) \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Indicate Type Of Job:</b>		<b>Roof Pitch:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> New construction	<input type="checkbox"/> Re-roof	<input type="checkbox"/> 4:12 to 5:12	<input type="checkbox"/> Over 5:12

**1. % of each color used***(for example, 100% Sunset or 50% Greystone/50% Onyx Black):*

- Sunset
- Greystone
- Onyx Black
- Eco Green

- Mystic Grey
- Jade Green
- Rustic Red
- Smoke Grey
- Vintage Plum
- Other TruSlate™ color \_\_\_\_\_

**Was the Special Wind Installation method used** (see [www.gaf.com](http://www.gaf.com) for detailed application instructions)?

- Yes  No

**2. GAF-Elk Roof Deck Protection***(acceptable only on roofs with a pitch of greater than 5:12)*

- Deck-Armor™
- VersaShield™
- N/A (full deck Leak Barrier used instead)

**3a. GAF-Elk Leak Barrier***(applied in all vulnerable areas—see Eligibility requirements)*

- UnderRoof™2
- Weather Watch®
- StormGuard®

**3b. GAF-Elk Leak Barrier Applied To Entire Deck?***(if roof pitch is between 4:12 and 5:12, you MUST apply Leak Barrier to entire deck)*

- Yes  No

**4. Hangers & Battens**

- TruGrip™

**5. GAF-Elk Attic Exhaust Ventilation**

- TruSlate™ Ridge Vent
- Master Flow® solar-powered roof exhaust vent(s)
- Other Master Flow® exhaust ventilation \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Ridge Cap Shingles**

- TruSlate™ trim slates

**7. UV & Moisture Barrier**

- UnderBlock™

Was GAF-Elk accessory paint used?  Yes  No*(accessory paint receives warranty coverage, but does NOT count toward the required # of accessories)*Type of Structure:  Single family, detached residence  Multi-family  HOA/Condo Assoc.  Commercial Property

Date of Installation \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Squares \_\_\_\_\_ Cost of Installation \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Sign Here \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Acknowledges that the roofing system has been installed satisfactorily)

Installer Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(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 slate color, we would like to include your address in our files. No information other than your address and slate color will be shared.

 Yes, GAF-Elk may share my information to assist my neighbors  No, please do not share my information

Your TruSlate™ Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist (not property owner) must register and pay for this warranty. Warranty can be registered online at GAF-Elk Certified Contractor Zone (visit [www.contractors.gaf.com](http://www.contractors.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 TruSlate Premium Roofing System and Ultimate Pledge Ltd. Warranty for your home. **This is an interim warranty.** If you have not received your permanent Ultimate Pledge™ Ltd. Warranty from GAF-Elk in the mail within 60 days, contact your SlateCrafter™ Specialist or call GAF-Elk at: 1-888-532-5767, and select option 1.

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# The Weather Stopper® 3-Part Roof Protection System



## Part 1: The Best Roofing System

TruSlate™  
Ridge  
Vent

TruSlate™  
Field  
Slates

TruSlate™  
Trim  
Slates

UnderBlock™  
UV & Moisture  
Barrier

ShingleMatch™  
Accessory  
Paint



GAF-Elk  
Waterproof  
Leak Barrier

Lay-Straight™  
Alignment  
Tape

TruGrip™  
Batts &  
Hangers

GAF-Elk  
Roof Deck  
Protection



The TruSlate® Premium Roofing System has earned the prestigious Good Housekeeping Seal, which means that Good Housekeeping stands behind the products in this system. (Refer to Good Housekeeping Magazine for its consumer protection policy.)

## Part 2: The Best Contractor

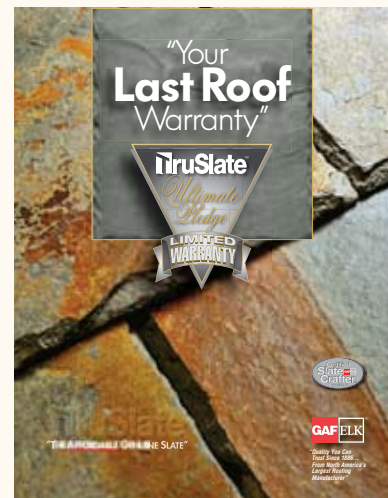
You can't be too careful when choosing a roofing contractor. TruSlate™ Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialists are your safest choice because they are:

- Local
- Properly Insured
- Properly Licensed
- Factory-Certified
- With Hundreds of Satisfied Local Homeowners!

They're committed to providing you with your best and safest choice in roofing!

## Part 3: The Best Warranty

The strongest, safest, warranty protection anywhere—period. Why settle for anything less!



# Eligibility Requirements For The TruSlate™ Ultimate Pledge™ Ltd. Warranty

To be eligible for the Ultimate Pledge™ Ltd. Warranty, you **MUST** fulfill these requirements:

1. You **MUST** install a full roof; roofs installed on *portions* of buildings (such as half a roof on a duplex structure) do not qualify.
2. Your roof **MUST** be installed by a TruSlate™ Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist.
3. The roof system must **NOT** be installed over an existing roof—all existing materials must be removed to the deck.
4. You **MUST** use one of the following on roof decks:
  - On slopes between 4:12 and 5:12, you **MUST** use GAF-Elk UnderRoof™2, Weather Watch®, or StormGuard® Leak Barrier on the **entire** deck.
  - On slopes over 5:12, you **MUST** use either GAF-Elk Deck-Armor™ Roof Deck Protection or GAF-Elk UnderRoof™2, Weather Watch®, or StormGuard® Leak Barrier on the **entire** deck.
5. 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. Weather Watch®, StormGuard®, or UnderRoof™2 Leak Barrier **MUST** also be used at all eaves to at least 24” inside of the warm wall, at all roof rakes, and at other vulnerable leak areas.
6. You **MUST** use TruSlate™ Ridge Vent with adequate intake ventilation. (Note: GAF-Elk Master Flow® exhaust ventilation products can be substituted **ONLY** if TruSlate™ Ridge Vent 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/150 sq. feet (1 sq. meter/150 sq. meters) 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/300 sq. feet (1 sq. meter/300 sq. meters).
7. You **MUST** use TruSlate™ field and trim slate, TruGrip™ battens & hangers, and UnderBlock™ UV & moisture barrier.
8. To improve the finished look of the roof, the use of ShingleMatch™ roof accessory paint is highly recommended (but NOT required).
9. 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 at rake edges. (Note: See GAF-Elk’s written application instructions for detailed information regarding acceptable metal flashings.)
10. It is highly recommended (but NOT required) that you purchase one additional square (100 sq. ft.) of TruSlate™ field slates to allow for job site breakage, waste, and any future repairs.

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

**Special Note:** On projects that total more than 250 squares, the permanent Ultimate 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 SlateCrafter™ Specialist 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.)

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# The Legal Stuff

**Congratulations!** Thank you for purchasing GAF-Elk Corporation ("GAF-Elk") TruSlate™ Field and Trim Slates, UnderBlock™ UV and Moisture Barrier Protection, TruGrip™ Hangers & Battens, TruSlate™ Ridge Vent, GAF-Elk Leak Barrier, and GAF-Elk Roof Deck Protection (the "TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System") from North America's largest roofing manufacturer—your best and safest choice. While many factors can affect how long your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System will last, your Ultimate Pledge™ Limited Warranty covers your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System in the unlikely event that it contains a manufacturing defect. Misapplication of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System, as well as flashings at valleys, dormers, chimneys, and plumbing vents (the "Covered Flashings"), is also covered. Your Ultimate Pledge™ Limited Warranty provides great coverage that is "non-prorated" during the crucial up-front period of your ownership, that is, the first 50 years for manufacturing defects and the first 20 years for workmanship defects after installation.

**Who Is Covered By This Warranty:** You are covered by this Warranty if you live in the United States 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. This Limited Warranty may be transferred only once. The second owner must notify GAF-Elk in writing within 60 days after the property transfer for warranty 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 is entitled to the same coverage as the original owner. If the transfer takes place afterwards, the length of this Warranty shall be reduced to the two-year period after ownership changes. If there is a defect during this two-year period, GAF-Elk's reimbursement to the second owner will be based only on the reasonable cost of replacement TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System components, reduced by the amount of use that has been received from the TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System from date of installation.

**Warranty Term.** Warranty coverage begins when your roof has been installed. Warranty coverage against manufacturing defects in your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System and misapplication of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System or Covered Flashings extends to the end of the warranty term stated below. Protection against wind damage and blow-off lasts for the first 10 years after application.

<b>Warranty Term for manufacturing defects</b>	Lifetime
<b>Non-prorated warranty term for manufacturing defects</b>	50 years (single family detached residences) 20 years (all other structures)
<b>Non-prorated warranty term for application defects</b>	20 years
<b>Standard wind speed</b>	90 mph
<b>Special wind speed<sup>1</sup></b>	130 mph

<sup>1</sup> Special wind speed applies only when shingles are installed using the special high wind application method (see written application instructions enclosed with TruSlate field slates or visit [www.gaf.com](http://www.gaf.com)). Otherwise, wind coverage reverts to standard wind speed.

**Manufacturing Defects: What Is Covered/Sole and Exclusive Remedy.** GAF-Elk warrants to you, the registered owner of a TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System, that GAF-Elk will compensate you in accordance with this warranty if your GAF-Elk TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System does not remain free from manufacturing defects that adversely affect its performance, resulting in leaking during the applicable warranty term stated above. **Note:** Misapplication and blow-off/wind damage is covered separately below.

During the Non-Prorated Period, if any part of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System is found to have a manufacturing defect that results in leaking, GAF-Elk will arrange to have your roof repaired or, at its sole option, will provide you with replacement roofing products and other materials necessary to repair your roof, including Covered Flashings, and reimburse you for the full reasonable cost of labor to repair your roof, including Covered Flashings. The cost of labor to tear off some or all of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System and Covered Flashings and to dispose of them is included if necessary to repair your roof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GAF-Elk's **maximum** liability under this paragraph shall not exceed \$1,500 per square.

After the Non-Prorated Period ends, if there is a covered manufacturing defect, the repair 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. On a single family detached residence, the prorated value of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System after 50 years will be 10%. For installations on structures other than a single family detached residence, the following proration factors will apply, up to a maximum liability (after proration) of \$750 per square:

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%

### Application Errors: What Is Covered/Sole and Exclusive Remedy (20-year coverage)

GAF-Elk warrants that your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System and Covered Flashings will remain free from application errors that result in leaks during the first 20 years. If any part of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System or Covered Flashings is found to have application errors resulting in leaks, GAF-Elk will arrange to have your roof repaired or, at its sole option, will provide you with replacement roofing products and reimburse you for the full reasonable cost of labor and other materials to repair your roof, including Covered Flashings. The cost of labor to tear off some or all of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System and Covered Flashings and to dispose of them are included, if necessary to repair your roof. Notwithstanding the foregoing, GAF-Elk's maximum liability under this paragraph shall not exceed \$1,500 per square.

### Wind Damage/Blow-Off: What Is Covered/Sole and Exclusive Remedy (10 year coverage)

GAF-Elk warrants to you that your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System will not blow off or sustain damage from winds (including gusts) up to the maximum wind speed of 90 mph. If your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System is installed using the special high wind application method (see detailed installation instructions at [www.gaf.com](http://www.gaf.com)), the covered wind speed, including gusts, shall be increased to 130 mph. If your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System does blow off or experience wind damage at less than the covered wind speed, GAF-Elk will reimburse you, but only for the reasonable costs of replacing any blown-off slates (excluding metal work and flashings other than TruGrip™ hangers and battens.)

### Limitations on Coverage.

GAF-Elk will not be liable for and will **NOT** compensate you for:

(1) Damages resulting from anything other than an inherent manufacturing defect in the TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System products on your roof, their misapplication, or the misapplication of Covered Flashings, or wind damage/blow-off at less than the applicable maximum wind speed, such as:

- (a) settlement, movement, or defects in the building, walls, foundation, or the roof base over which your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System was applied.
- (b) inadequate attic ventilation.

(2) Damages resulting from causes beyond normal wear and tear such as:

- (a) acts of nature, such as hail, ice damming, or winds, including gusts, above the applicable maximum wind speed.
- (b) impact of foreign objects or traffic on your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System.
- (c) alterations made after your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System was installed, including, but not limited to, structural changes, equipment installation (such as an air conditioner, heating unit, antenna or solar system), or other modifications.
- (d) painting or application of cleaning solutions or coatings.
- (e) improper storage or handling of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System components.

(3) Shading or variations in the color of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System or discoloration caused by

- (a) fungus, mold, lichen, algae or other contaminants, including that caused by organic materials on the roof;
- (b) fading or weathering of your TruSlate™ slates, or
- (c) efflorescence.

(4) Labor and disposal costs, except as specifically provided for above.

(5) Imperfections in your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System components, such as lifting, warping or surface cracks, that do not directly cause leaks.

(6) 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. The remedy under this warranty is available only for those parts of your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System actually exhibiting manufacturing defects or misapplication (including misapplication of Covered Flashings) resulting in leaking. Any replacement TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System products will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period. GAF-Elk reserves the right to discontinue or modify its TruSlate™ slate offering, including the colors available, so any replacement TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System slate may not be an exact match for your roof. Even if GAF-Elk does not modify a color, replacement slates may not match your original slate due to normal weathering, manufacturing variations, or other factors.

**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 SlateCrafter™ Specialist 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 TruSlate™ Premium Roofing Components 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 TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System 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 TruSlate™ Premium Roofing 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.

**Special Note: First Two Years.** If your claim arises out of an application error in your TruSlate™ Premium Roofing System or Covered Flashings, which is discovered or discoverable within the first two years after installation, it is the obligation of your Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist to make all necessary repairs. In the event that your SlateCrafter™ Specialist 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 Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist.

**Effectiveness:** This limited warranty will not take effect unless all eligibility requirements have been satisfied and your Certified SlateCrafter™ Specialist has been paid in full.