


WEATHERBOARDS™
FIBERCEMENT SIDING
CERTAINTEED CORPORATION

CertainTeed 

50-YEAR
LIMITED

WARRANTY



CONGRATULATIONS! ... and thank you for your recent purchase of CertainTeed WeatherBoards™ FiberCement Siding. You can feel confident that you have made a wise decision buying from a company that is an industry leader and stands behind its products with strong warranty protection.

Since 1904, CertainTeed has been producing quality building products that provide long-lasting beauty and protection for homes of every size, style and age. In addition to fiber cement siding and composite trim, CertainTeed offers vinyl siding, insulation, roofing shingles, vinyl windows, vinyl fence, deck and railings, composite decking and railing, and pipe products.

For 100 years, the origin of our name continues to be our ongoing philosophy, “Quality made *certain*, satisfaction guaranteed.”

WARRANTY

Limited, Prorated and Transferable

What and Who is Covered and for How Long

CertainTeed warrants to the original property owner/consumer that, when subject to normal and proper use, its WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding primed with FiberTect® will be free from manufacturing defects. Subject to the *Warranty Prorationing Schedule* on the back of this warranty, CertainTeed will pay to repair or replace, at its option, any WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding determined to be defective during the 50-year period following its installation. CertainTeed also reserves the right to refund the amount paid by the original property owner/consumer for the WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding (prorated as indicated in the *Warranty Prorationing Schedule* on the back cover). If CertainTeed elects to pursue this refund option during the SureStart™ Protection period described on the next page, the refund will also include the cost of its original installation.

Under no circumstances and in no event will CertainTeed be liable for any labor charges or other expenses whatsoever in connection with the removal, repair or installation of either the original or replacement WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding, except as provided by the SureStart™ Protection described on the next page.

In the event of repair or replacement under the terms of this warranty, the original warranty will apply to the replacement or repaired material and will extend for the balance of the warranty period in effect at the time the WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding is determined to be defective.

WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding (but not the FiberTect sealer applied to the product) is warranted against damage from hail. In the event of hail damage during the warranty period, the owner must first pursue the cost of replacement or repair of damaged material through homeowner's insurance or any other applicable insurance coverage. Any cost incurred by the owner in excess of the insurance contribution will be reimbursed by CertainTeed (excluding any insurance deductible), except that CertainTeed will not be liable for costs in excess of the value of the replacement material required to replace the material damaged by hail. CertainTeed will not be responsible for the cost of any labor required to install or replace hail-damaged material.

All references in this warranty to WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding include any WeatherBoards FiberCement soffit or trim which is installed in conjunction with the original CertainTeed WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding.

SureStart™ Protection

CertainTeed WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding products are covered by SureStart Protection for a period of two (2) years following the date installation is completed. Under this warranty feature, CertainTeed, will pay to repair or replace, at its option, any WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding proven to be defective during the two-year SureStart Protection period, unless CertainTeed elects to pursue the refund option as described on the previous page.

CertainTeed's maximum liability under SureStart Protection will be equal to the reasonable cost to replace or repair the defective material at current value, including labor in connection with removal, repair or installation of either the original or replacement WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding, except that CertainTeed's maximum liability for replacing FiberTect sealer (and the topcoat if one is applied) suffering from yellowing or from cracking, flaking, chalking or erosion from the surface will be equal to the reasonable cost to repair or replace the defective sealer at current value, including labor in connection with the application of the replacement sealer, not to exceed a total cost of 75 cents per square foot. If during the SureStart period a topcoat is applied and the product is determined to be defective not as a result of a topcoat failure, then CertainTeed will pay for the coating at current value, and labor in connection with the application of the topcoat, the labor not to exceed a total cost of \$1 per square foot.

SureStart Protection will automatically terminate if the original property owner/consumer sells the property on which the WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding is installed.

If CertainTeed has agreed to pay labor charges per the terms of this warranty, CertainTeed will provide reimbursement only upon receipt of a copy of the contractor's invoice or other written evidence of the completion of such work which CertainTeed, in its sole discretion, deems acceptable.

Transferability

If there is a change in ownership, the original property owner/consumer of WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding may transfer the warranty to the new property owner/consumer under the terms and conditions of this warranty. The duration of the warranty, measured from the date of installation, will remain the same as for the original property owner/consumer and will be prorated as indicated in the *Warranty Prorationing Schedule* on the back cover. Any remaining period of SureStart Protection at the time of transfer will not be available to the subsequent property owner/consumer.

Limitations

This warranty does not provide protection against, and CertainTeed will have no liability under this warranty for, any failure, defect or damage caused by situations and events beyond normal exposure conditions, including, but not limited to:

- Misuse, abuse, neglect or improper transportation, handling or storage (including failure to keep the product dry, negligence in, or failure to provide, reasonable and necessary maintenance to prevent an accumulation of surface dirt or stains).
- Improper application or application not in strict adherence to CertainTeed's written instructions.
- Use of accessories which do not properly receive and or secure WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding.
- Defects in, failure of, or damage to the wall or substrate on which the WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding is installed caused by movement, distortion, cracking or settling of the wall or substrate or the foundation of the building.
- Impact of foreign objects (except, to the extent described above, for hail which may damage WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding), fire, earthquake, flood, lightning, hurricane, tornado or other casualty or act of God.
- Discoloration or other damage caused by air pollution (including metallic oxides or metallic particles), mold or mildew growth, outside source stains, or exposure to harmful chemicals.
- Other than primers/sealers or coating applied to WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding in CertainTeed's factory, any primer, paint or other coating applied to the product regardless of compliance with the primer, paint or coating manufacturer's recommended application techniques or specifications (primer, paint or coating related concerns should be addressed to the manufacturer of the product applied).

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Limitations (continued)

- Improper topcoat or backcoating which causes the board to fail.
- Damage to the FiberTect sealer, including yellowing or cracking, flaking, chalking or erosion from the surface, occurring more than two (2) years following installation.
- Any other cause not involving manufacturing defects in the material supplied by CertainTeed.

CertainTeed reserves the right to discontinue or modify any of its products, including the color, without notice to the property owner/consumer. CertainTeed will not be liable if replacement material varies in color or gloss in comparison to the original product as a result of normal weathering. If CertainTeed replaces any material under this warranty, CertainTeed may substitute products designated by it to be of comparable quality or price range if the product initially installed has been discontinued or modified.

Warranty Prorating Schedule

Number of Years of Use Obtained After Installation	CertainTeed's Prorated Share of Warranty Obligation
0-2 years	100%
3-50 years	2% reduction from original purchase price each year since installation

Other Conditions

THIS WARRANTY REPLACES ALL OTHER ORAL OR WRITTEN WARRANTIES, LIABILITIES OR OBLIGATIONS OF CERTAINTEED. APPLICABLE STATE LAW WILL DETERMINE THE PERIOD OF TIME FOLLOWING THE SALE THAT A PROPERTY OWNER/CONSUMER MAY SEEK A REMEDY UNDER THE IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN NO EVENT WILL CERTAINTEED BE LIABLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, INCLUDING ANY DAMAGE TO THE BUILDING, ITS CONTENTS OR ANY PERSONS THEREIN, RESULTING FROM THE BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY. NO FIELD REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRIBUTOR OR DEALER OF CERTAINTEED IS AUTHORIZED TO CHANGE OR MODIFY THIS WARRANTY. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE EXCLUSIONS MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights. You may also have other rights which may vary from state to state.

Warranty Registration Information

Failure to register this warranty will not void the warranty or any of its terms.

What the Customer Must Do

The original property owner/consumer must promptly notify CertainTeed in writing of any manufacturing defect and provide proof of the date of purchase and installation of the WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding, as well as proof of property ownership. All notifications should be sent to: CertainTeed, Attn: Warranty Claims, 803 Belden Road, Jackson, MI 49203. Upon receipt, CertainTeed will evaluate the claim and may require the property owner to submit a sample of the defective material to CertainTeed for analysis.

CertainTeed will then investigate the claim and examine the material claimed to be defective. If a defect covered by this warranty is confirmed, CertainTeed, within a reasonable amount of time after review and evaluation of the claim, will pay to repair or replace the WeatherBoards FiberCement Siding pursuant to the terms of this warranty.

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Quality made certain, Satisfaction guaranteed.

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