

Carpet Warranty

General Warranty Conditions

In order for these warranties to apply, Belgotex Australia carpets must be properly installed over new underlay according to the Australian standard AS 2455.1 and maintained adequately as recommended by Belgotex Australia. These warranties are extended to the original purchaser only and are not transferable. These warranties are solely for domestic indoor use of the carpet in accordance with the recommendations made on the rating. These warranties apply to first-quality carpets only. Proof of purchase (receipt, bill, invoice, or statement from the retailer) needs to be supplied for any claims, and installation dates.

Warranty Periods

Your new Belgotex Australia carpet is covered by an express warranty as detailed below as indicated by our website and technical specifications. All Belgotex carpets are warranted against manufacturing defects for a period of 5 years.

Residential Warranty Periods			
15 Year Residential Warranty		20 Year Residential Warranty	
Pile Loss (>10%)	10 Years	Pile Loss (>10%)	15 Years
UV Fade	15 Years	UV Fade	20 Years
Stain Resistance or Stain Proof*	15 Years	Stain Proof	20 Years

Commercial Warranty Periods			
3 Year Commercial Warranty		7 Year Commercial Warranty	
Pile Loss (>10%)	3 Years	Pile Loss (>10%)	5 Years
UV Fade	3 Years	UV Fade	7 Years
Stain Resistance	3 Years	Stain Proof	7 Years
5 Year Commercial Warranty		10 Year Commercial Warranty	
Pile Loss (>10%)	5 Years	Pile Loss (>10%)	5 Years
UV Fade	5 Years	UV Fade	10 Years
Stain Resistance or Stain Proof*	5 Years	Stain Proof	10 Years

Belgotex Carpet Warranty Exclusions

Our warranties will not apply in the following circumstances:

- Damage or defects attributable to events outside of our control including, but not limited to:
 - incorrect or improper installation, including failure to comply with Australian standard AS 2455.1;
 - inadequate design, defect, or failure of other products;
 - water ingress, mould, mildew, fungi, or bacteria growing on the carpet;
 - operation of the forces of nature, including earthquakes, cyclones, floods or other severe weather conditions or unusual climatic conditions
- Problems caused by the failure of, or lack of underlay installed.
- Issues caused by installation outside of the specified scope of use.
- Damage or staining caused by leeching from use of textile rugs and mats used in direct contact (e.g. Dyed Rugs).
- Damage or appearance problems resulting from incorrect installation methodology.
- Damage due to the improper use of cleaning agents or methods not approved for use with the carpet.
- Any carpet not adequately maintained as per Belgotex Australia care and maintenance guidelines.
- Carpet that has been surface treated with materials not recommended by the manufacturer, e.g. pesticides.
- Damages caused by accident, abuse, abnormal wear, such as tears, burns, pulls, cuts, damage from household pets (including, but not limited to, damage caused by claws, urine, faeces), wicking, or exposure to excess moisture.

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- Damages caused by mobile, and/or heavy equipment, e.g. Gym equipment.
- Damage caused by castor chairs without protective mats.
- Permanent pile reversal (Shading/Watermarking), pilling, matting, flattening, or tracking.
- Damage caused by incorrect use of vacuum cleaner beater brush heads that affect the construction of the installed carpet.
- Dye-batch variations from any pre-installation samples provided versus the installed carpet.
- The costs incurred in making a claim under these warranties, for example furniture removal.

Wear Warranty

(Subject to the exclusions and conditions set out below)

Abrasive wear refers to actual fibre loss from the pile of the carpet and does not cover appearance characteristics such as pile flattening or matting. Belgotex Australia warrants its carpet against pile weight loss by abrasive wear of more than 10% for your carpet within the period mentioned on Belgotex Australia website and technical specifications, from date of installation, provided it is used in accordance with the manufacturer's usage rating and the terms outlined in the General Warranty Conditions above. This warranty covers abrasive wear of the surface pile only and does not cover carpet backings. To make a claim you must notify your place of purchase and provide proof of purchase. If upon inspection and testing, Belgotex Australia is satisfied that the carpet was correctly installed to Australian standards (AS 2455.1) and maintained to Belgotex Australia's Care and Maintenance guidelines, and that the surface pile has abrasively worn more than 10% in the period mentioned on the wear warranty label affixed to the sample, Belgotex Australia will compensate the purchaser as per the terms outlined in the 'Claims' section of this warranty document.

Stain Proof or Stain Resistance Warranty

(Subject to the exclusions and conditions set out below)

Belgotex Australia warrants that the surface pile of carpet will be stainproof or stain-resistant to most food and beverage stains for a period as indicated on Belgotex Australia's website and technical specifications, and/or care and maintenance guidelines. The warranty period starts from the date of installation and when properly installed indoors to Australian standards (AS 2455.1) and in accordance with the terms outlined in the 'General Warranty Conditions'. This warranty specifically excludes general soiling, discoloration, appearance change due to pile distortion, exposure to substances or contaminants which degrade or destroy synthetic yarn or the colour of the carpet, very hot liquids, food and beverages containing strong dyes (for example, but without limitation, mustard, curry, coffee, and tea), hair dye, urine, faeces and vomit (human and animal), and staining that becomes permanent due to the failure to carry out care and stain removal procedures as recommended. Before making a claim under this warranty, you must have attempted to remove the stain by using the recommended cleaning procedures. If the stain removal is not successful, you must have the affected area of your carpet professionally steam-cleaned (hot water extraction). If the affected area remains unsatisfactory, you must notify your place of purchase immediately. You must be able to provide proof of purchase and proof that professional steam cleaning (hot water extraction) has been undertaken. You must permit Belgotex Australia access to the installed carpet to remove the stain. If, under testing and analysis performed by Belgotex Australia, the tested carpet or the cleaned area is found to have a rating of 4 or less under the Red 40 Stain Scale when tested according to the American Association of Textile Chemists and Colourists (AATCC) Test Method 175, Belgotex Australia will compensate the purchaser as per the terms outlined in the 'Claims' section. If the stain is removed as warranted, all stain removal costs will be the responsibility of the purchaser.

UV Colourfast Warranty

(Subject to the exclusions and conditions set out below)

Belgotex Australia warrants that its carpet will not display a significant change in colour due to exposure to sunlight or atmospheric contaminants for the period mentioned in the warranty specific to your carpet from date of delivery. This warranty does not cover breakdown or disintegration of the carpet fibres and construction due to prolonged intense exposure to direct sunlight or UV light. Belgotex Australia recommends using window furnishings such as curtains, blinds, shutter, shades, or window tinting to minimise the risk of this occurring. To make a claim under this warranty, you must notify your place of purchase, provide proof of purchase, and provide non-returnable samples of the carpet for testing. If, under testing performed by Belgotex Australia, the carpet is found to have a rating of 4 or less under the Blue Scale, when tested in accordance with ISO Test Method 105 B02, Belgotex Australia will compensate the purchaser as per the terms outlined in the section 'Claims'.

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Scope of use Definitions

	Class	Level of Use	Description	Examples of areas of use
Residential	21	Light	Areas with low or intermittent use	Bedrooms, dining room
	22	Medium	Areas with medium use	Children's room, media rooms
	23	Heavy	Areas with intense use	Kitchens, living rooms, halls, entrances, home offices, foyers
Commercial	31	Light	Areas with low or intermittent use	Bedroom, hotel room, conference room, small office
	32	Medium	Areas with medium traffic	Classrooms, office, hotels, bigger conference rooms, doctor's practice
	33	Heavy	Areas with heavy traffic	Hallway, retail or department store, school, multi-purpose hall, open plan offices, receptions, churches
	34	Very Heavy	Area with intense use	Airports, large department stores, large multi-purpose halls, convention centres
Industrial	41	Light	Areas where work is mainly sedentary with occasional use of light vehicles	Electronic assembly, precision engineering
	42	Medium	Areas where work is mainly standing and/or with vehicular traffic	Storage rooms, electronic assembly
	43	Heavy	Other light industrial areas	Storage rooms, production halls

Claims

If your carpet fails to perform in line with any of the Belgotex Australia Warranties and/or the Australian Consumer Law (ACL), Belgotex Australia will, at its sole option:

- Replace the defective carpet with carpet of the same or comparable quality; or
- Credit you to supply replacement carpet determined in accordance with the table below (with the amount of credit being a percentage of the amount paid at the time of purchase).

The remedy provided by Belgotex Australia will be for the affected area only and will include reasonable installation costs, excluding the cost of underlay.

Residential Replacement Value			Commercial Replacement Value				
Time Elapsed	15 Year Warranty	20 Year Warranty	Time Elapsed	3 Year Warranty	5 Year Warranty	7 Year Warranty	10 Year Warranty
0-5 Years	100%	100%	0-3 Years	100%	100%	100%	100%
6-7 Years	60%	75%	4-5 Years	0%	25%	40%	50%
8-10 Years	40%	50%	6-7 Years	0%	0%	20%	25%
11-15 Years	10%	20%	8-10 Years	0%	0%	0%	10%
16-20 Years	0%	5%					

If you believe your carpet is faulty and is not performing as expected under this warranty, or as mandated by the ACL, please notify your retailer. Your retailer will take suitable action, including arranging an onsite inspection and notification to Belgotex Australia if required.

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Consumer Law

If you are a consumer, our goods come with warranties that cannot be excluded under the Australian Consumer Law (ACL). You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonable foreseeable loss or damage. You are entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to major failure.

For more information on your rights under the ACL, please visit the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) Consumer Rights website at www.accc.gov.au/consumers.

General

Any variation to this warranty will only be effective if it is made in writing and signed by an authorised officer of Belgotex Australia. We may amend any provisions in this warranty by publishing a new warranty on our website. The new warranty will apply to carpet purchased on or after the date of publication on our website.

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