



# WEATHERSURE Warranties

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Achieving optimum performance of any building or roof depends upon three key elements: the building or roof design, quality products and a quality installation.

### Design

The role of a designer is to first choose the right wall and/or roof system for a particular project then provide for the proper details, including trim and for geometry slopes in a roof. Poor design can often not be offset by even the best materials and installation.

### Quality Products

The role of American Buildings Company (ABC) is to provide high quality materials, detailed and manufactured to strict standards that are industry tested for various weather and atmospheric conditions.

ABC engineers and detailers work with designers to make sure their concepts will perform over the long-term. Recommendations are suggested in situations where the design may compromise weather integrity.

ABC's SP Cool and SmartKote PVDF paint systems utilize ceramic cool pigments making them among the best commercial coating systems in the world. Stringent quality control, starting with the coil coating process through panel fabrication provide for consistent color performance from the initial installation and for years to come.

ABC products are manufactured in IAS accredited facilities. To achieve accreditation, a manufacturer must have in place a comprehensive quality-assurance program unequalled in the marketplace today. The IAS accreditation criteria (AC 472) addresses quality management system elements for engineering, fabrication and shop practices, personnel requirements, materials certification process control and technical requirements.



It is also important that ABC provide training for contractors in the correct installation of our products. The best products in the world will fail if not installed properly. Our Contractor Installation Contractor Program (CICP) is described later in this summary.

### Quality Installation

A large majority of roof failures are the result of poor installation. One of the biggest mistakes made when choosing a particular contractor is basing the final decision heavily on price rather than a strong track record, especially when it comes to roof installation. The savings between the lowest cost bidder and a quality contractor are minimal compared to the total cost of any project. Constantly repairing a poorly installed roof can easily equal the original installation price over very few years. In the words of the old oil filter commercial "You can pay me now or pay me (much more) later".

The responsibility of the contractor is to install products according to manufacturer standards, design plans and specifications and to advise both the designer and manufacturer of conflicting issues.



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## Contractor Installation Certification Program (CICP)



Nobody in the metal building and roofing business is more committed to quality than American Buildings Company. That's why we offer a comprehensive Contractor Installation Certification Program (CICP) for our Builders and Roofers. CICP is all about a commitment to quality which provides Contractors with the information, skills and competency required to supervise on-site installation so that the end-product qualifies for ABC warranties. Each CICP workshop is two and one half days of classroom and actual hands-on product installation. Just attending the program does not guarantee receipt of a certificate as written and practical examinations measure competence. It is not all that unusual for each class to have attendees that don't make the grade.

CICP Certified Supervisor(s) are required for issuances of certain warranties under this program.



## Financial Stability

Roof warranties are similar to insurance policies. The more coverage, or the less risk, that is desired the more the warranty costs. Remember warranties are only as good as the financial stability of the companies involved. A long-term warranty from a company that goes out of business, either the contractor or manufacturer, is worthless. American Buildings Company has been in business for over 60 years and is a division of Nucor Corporation, the largest steel manufacturer in North America.



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## WEATHERSURE Warranty Types

American Buildings Company offers three types of warranties. The following brief summaries generally describe what these cover. For a more detailed explanation please refer to our warranty policy and/or actual warranty descriptions. As with most building products, exclusions apply to projects in close proximity to marine or extreme industrial environments, as well as acts of God, severe winds, and snow loads exceeding specified design loads.

We recommend a designer, contractor and owner read specifics of the various warranties offered.

*This general summary does not constitute a warranty as to any building or roof system, nor should this be construed as an express warranty. A warranty shall only result from an actual agreement signed by an authorized ABC representative, the Contractor and the owner.*

### 1) Manufacturer's Workmanship Limited Warranty

ABC warrants its products against defects in materials or workmanship in fabrication of the building components for a period of one (1) year from the date of delivery of materials as stated by the conditions and limitations of the specific warranty. Certificates of warranty are issued upon request.

### 2) Exterior Material and Finish Limited Warranty – Wall and Roof Panels

ABC warrants the performance of exterior materials including painted panels and aluminum/zinc coated products often referred to as Galvalume and ZINCALUME as stated by the conditions and limitations of the specific warranty. Exterior Material and Finish Limited Warranties must be requested on the purchase order for the project and are provided for a fee.

- Galvalume/ZINCALUME panels carry a Finish Limited Warranty of 25 years.
- SP COOL (Silicone Modified Polyester) coated panels have a Finish Limited Warranty of 25 years.
- SmartKote PVDF (Kynar/Hylar) coated panels have a Finish Limited Warranty of 35 years.



**3) Weathertight Limited Warranties - Roof**

ABC now offers two **Standard** and three **Premium** weathertight warranties where we work with Contractors (Builders and Roofers) to collectively warrant the Contractor’s erection workmanship for an extended period against roof leaks arising out of ordinary wear and tear under normal weather and atmospheric conditions.

The **Initial Warranty Period** shall be the first two (2) years from the Effective Date and shall be extended until such time that the roof system has been leak free for a period of twenty four (24) consecutive months. During this Initial Warranty Period the Contractor is solely responsible for a leak free roof unless it is found that a leak is caused by improper product performance. In the case of improper product performance ABC will work with the contractor to remedy the situation.

**Standard WEATHERSURE Roof Warranties**

For Standard Warranties, after the Initial Warranty Period, ABC shall provide all labor, services, materials, and supplies to repair or correct leaks caused as a result of improper product performance only, at ABC’s expense, subject to the conditions and limitations of the particular warranty. It will be up to the Contractor to remedy issues other than improper product performance during the warranty period.

**WEATHERSURE Standard SL2 and SL3 Weathertightness Limited Warranties – Up to 20 Years**

Under these warranties, ABC and the Contractor warrant the weathertightness of the completed roof system. The Contractor is responsible for both installation of the products in conformance with ABC design specifications and standard details and verification of conformance to those standards.

The Contractor shall be solely responsible for the complete installation in accordance with engineering plans, specifications, applicable erection standards, current erection manuals or instruction issues by ABC.

The roof installation must be performed under the direct supervision of a *CICP Certified Supervisor*.



With the Standard SL2 Warranty, the Contractor may request ABC to make one on-site visual inspection of the roof system providing the Contractor a report documenting any deficiencies or variations from engineering plans, specifications, applicable erection standards, current erection manuals or instruction issues by ABC when recognized through visual inspection. Standard SL3 warranties require ABC to make one on-site visual inspection of the roof.

The Contractor shall be responsible for the repair of any deficiencies or variations to the roofing system as outlined by ABC during the site visit.

**The Contractor will also be solely responsible for repair or replacement of product through warranty claims throughout the warranty period.**

**Standard Weathertight Warranty Summary**

Type	Minimum Cost	Maximum Liability per SF	Courtesy Inspection Included	Certified Contractor Required
SL2	\$500	\$0.50	No	Yes
SL3	\$1,500	\$5.00	Yes	Yes

For warranty pricing contact your ABC District Manager.



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## Premium WEATHERSURE Roof Warranties

For Premium Warranties, after the Initial Warranty Period, the ABC shall provide all labor, services, materials, and supplies to repair or correct leaks at ABC's expense, subject to the conditions and limitations of the particular warranty.

### WEATHERSURE Premium PL2 Weathertightness Limited Warranty – Up to 20 Years

Under this warranty, ABC and the Contractor warrant the weathertightness of the completed roof system. The Contractor is responsible for installation of the products in conformance with ABC's design specifications.

ABC shall perform one (1) inspection to verify conformance to those standards to the extent that visual non-destructive inspection allows. The warranty shall be issued only after the roof system has been inspected and approved by ABC designated inspector(s).

### WEATHERSURE Premium PL3 Weathertightness Limited Warranty – Up to 20 Years

Under this warranty, ABC and the Contractor warrant the weathertightness of the completed roof system. The Contractor is responsible for installation of the products in conformance with ABC design specifications.

The roof installation must be performed under the direct supervision of a CICP Certified Supervisor.

The ABC warranty technician or a 3rd party inspector, selected by ABC, shall perform up to three (3) inspections as requested to verify of conformance to those standards to the extent that visual non-destructive inspection allows. Additional inspection after the final inspection of the completed roof which may be required to confirm proper remedial installation shall be at the expense of the Contractor.

The warranty shall be issued only after the roof system has been inspected and approved by ABC designated inspector(s).



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## WEATHERSURE Premium PNDL Weathertightness Limited Warranty – Up to 20 Years

Under this warranty, ABC and the Contractor warrant the weathertightness of the completed roof system. The Contractor is responsible for installation of the products in conformance with the Manufacturer's design specifications.

The roof installation must be performed under the direct supervision of a CICP Certified Supervisor.

ABC's warranty technician or a chosen 3rd party inspector, selected by ABC, shall perform three (3) inspections to verify conformance to those standards. Additional inspection after the final inspection of the completed roof which may be required to confirm proper remedial installation shall be at the expense of the Contractor. The warranty shall be issued only after the roof system has been inspected and approved by ABC designated inspector(s).

### Premium Weathertight Warranty Summary

Type	Minimum Cost	Maximum Liability per SF	Courtesy Inspection Included	Certified Contractor Required
PL2	\$2,000	\$0.50	Yes (1)	No
PL3	\$3,500	\$5.00	Yes (3)	Yes
PNDL	\$4,000	None	Yes (3)	Yes

For warranty pricing contact your ABC District Manager.



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