30-Year Limited Warranty
for AL, AR, GA, FL, LA, MS, OK, SC, TX, PR & limited areas of TN & NC

HardiePlank® HZ10™ *Lap Siding*, **HardiePanel®** HZ10™ *Vertical Siding*,
HardieShingle® HZ10™ *Siding*, **HardieSoffit®** HZ10™ *Panels*

1. LIMITED WARRANTY. James Hardie Building Products Inc. ("Hardie") warrants, for a period of thirty (30) years (the "Limited Warranty Period") from the date of purchase or installation of Hardie Fiber-Cement HARDIEPLANK® HZ10™, HARDIEPANEL® HZ10™, HARDIESHINGLE® HZ10™, and HARDIESOFFIT® HZ10™ products (each, the "Product") within the HZ10 Product Locations (as further defined in Section 9 below), that such purchased Product complies with ASTM C1186 and is free from defects in material and workmanship. This Limited Warranty extends only to (i) to the first retail purchaser of the Product; (ii) the first owner of the structure to which the Product is applied and (iii) the first transferee (each a "Covered Person") where the Product is installed in an HZ10 product location as defined in Section 9 below.

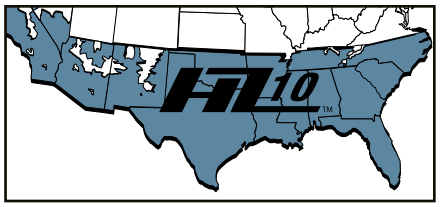
2. WHAT WE WILL DO. If, during the Limited Warranty Period, the Product is defective in material or workmanship, Hardie will, in its sole discretion, either repair or replace the defective portion of the Product, or, during the first (1st) through the thirtieth (30th) year, reimburse the Covered Person for up to twice the original retail cost of the defective portion of the Product. After the 30th year, this Limited Warranty will expire and shall no longer be applicable. If the original retail cost cannot be established by the Covered Person to Hardie's reasonable satisfaction, the cost shall be determined by Hardie in its sole and reasonable discretion. Hardie's replacement of the defective Product or reimbursement pursuant to Section 2 of this Limited Warranty is the exclusive remedy for the Covered Person for any defect in materials or workmanship. **HARDIE WILL NOT REFUND OR PAY ANY COSTS IN CONNECTION WITH LABOR OR ACCESSORY MATERIALS.**

3. WHAT YOU MUST DO/CONDITIONS OF LIMITED WARRANTY. Warranty coverage under this Limited Warranty shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:

(A) A Covered Person must provide written notice to Hardie within thirty (30) days after discovery of any claimed defect covered by this Limited Warranty and before beginning any permanent repair. The notice must describe the location and details of the claimed defect and any additional information necessary for Hardie to investigate the claim. Photos of the Product, showing the claimed defect must accompany the notice. A claimant under this Limited Warranty must provide proof to Hardie that such claimant is a Covered Person as defined in Section 1 above.

(B) The Product must be installed in the HZ10 Product Locations and according to Hardie's printed installation requirements and must comply with all building codes adopted by federal, state or local governments or government agencies applicable to the installation.

(C) Upon discovery of a claimed defect, a Covered Person must immediately, and at a Covered Person's own expense, provide for protection of all property that could be affected until the claimed defect is remedied if applicable. Before any permanent repair to the Product, a Covered Person must allow Hardie or Hardie's authorized agent to enter the property and structure where the Product is installed, if applicable, and examine, photograph and take samples of the Product.



HZ10 Limited Coverage Warranty Area

4. WHAT IS NOT COVERED. This Limited Warranty does not cover damage or defects resulting from or in any way attributable to: (a) The improper storage, shipping, handling or installation of the Product including, without limitation, failure of the Product to be installed in strict compliance with the Conditions of Limited Warranty set forth in Section 3 of this Limited Warranty and/or improper installation of studs or other accessories; (b) Further processing, modification or alteration of the Product after shipping from Hardie; (c) Neglect, abuse, or misuse; (d) Repair or alteration; (e) Settlement or structural movement and/or movement of materials to which the Product is attached; (f) Damage from incorrect design of the structure; (g) Exceeding the maximum designed wind loads; (h) Acts of God including, but not limited to, tornados, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, severe weather or other natural phenomena, (including, but not limited to, unusual climate conditions); (i) Efflorescence, peeling or performance of any third party paints, stains and/or coatings; (j) Growth of mold, mildew, fungi, bacteria, or any organism on any surface of the Product (whether on the exposed or unexposed surfaces); (k) Lack of proper maintenance; (l) Installation of the Product outside an HZ10 Product Location; or (m) Any cause other than defects in material and workmanship attributable to Hardie.

5. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY. IN NO EVENT SHALL HARDIE BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY CLAIMS OF PROPERTY DAMAGE, BASED UPON BREACH OF WARRANTY, BREACH OF CONTRACT, TORT, OR ANY OTHER LEGAL THEORY. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

6. LIMITATION OF WARRANTY. THE ABOVE LIMITED WARRANTY IS THE EXCLUSIVE WARRANTY FOR THE PRODUCT. HARDIE DISCLAIMS ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR OTHERWISE. In the event that applicable consumer law prohibits the disclaimer of an implied warranty, the above Limited Warranty shall not extend the time period of any such implied warranty. Some states do not allow limitations for consumers on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you. This Limited Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have additional rights, which vary from state to state.

7. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Limited Warranty contains and represents the only warranty extended by Hardie for the Product. No employee or agent of Hardie or any other party is authorized to make any other warranty in addition to those made in this Limited Warranty.

8. HOW TO OBTAIN LIMITED WARRANTY SERVICE. For warranty service call 1.866.375.8603 or write Limited Warranty Department, James Hardie Building Products Inc., 10901 Elm Avenue, Fontana, California 92337.

9. HZ10 PRODUCT LOCATIONS Approved HZ10 product geographic installation locations shall mean Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Texas and Puerto Rico as well as North Carolina and Tennessee, but only in the zip codes noted on page 2.

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Homeowner Care and Maintenance Tips

- Patching - Dents, chips and cracks can be filled using a good quality cement patching compound (acrylic mortar patch) which can be found at your local Home Center or Hardware Store.
- Mold/Mildew - Remove using a commercial mold/mildew remover. Consult your paint manufacturer's recommendations before applying any mold or mildew remover.
- Loose Siding - Re-nail using a properly-sized corrosion-resistant fastener. Note: See James Hardie's written installation requirements and NER405 for further details.
- Caulk Replacement - When sealant is in need of replacing, carefully remove existing caulk and replace with a high quality, paintable latex caulk. For best results use a latex caulk that complies with ASTM C 834, ASTM C920 or better. Caulking should be applied in accordance with the caulking manufacturer's written installation instructions.
- Paint Maintenance - Remove any damaged, chipped or cracked paint. Prior to repainting make sure that the surface area is properly cleaned and prepared. Repaint immediately using 100% acrylic paint. **Note:** For best results please refer to your paint manufacturer's written specifications for application rates and required topcoats or refer to James Hardie's Technical Bulletin, No. S-100 at www.jameshardie.com.
- Product Replacement - Replacement of one or more pieces of James Hardie® product should be done in accordance with James Hardie's written installation requirements and best practice guides.
- **Call 1-800-9-HARDIE to obtain written installation requirements or for more detailed technical information.**

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