

LIMITED WARRANTY

ARCHITECTURAL WALL SYSTEMS PRODUCTS

Effective May 1, 2017



THANK YOU For Choosing Us! You Deserve Nothing Less Than Sierra Pacific

Welcome to the engineering marvel that is our new Architectural Wall System. Big bold statements are easily made with our wall systems, plus they are an energy-efficient way to add natural light to any home or business. With their all-wood interiors and structural integrity, they are a distinctive upgrade over ordinary storefront glazing or aluminum curtain walls.

For many years, Sierra Pacific was the hottest brand in the West. Now, we're one of the biggest and best window companies in the world. We have more than 600 dealers, distributors and company stores nationwide, and sales in 30 countries around the world.

But our most important customer is you.

SIERRA PACIFIC WINDOWS LIMITED WARRANTY FOR ARCHITECTURAL WALL SYSTEMS PRODUCTS Effective May 1, 2017

I. LIMITED WARRANTY FOR ARCHITECTURAL WALL SYSTEMS PRODUCTS. This Limited

Warranty for Architectural Wall Systems Products (the "<u>Limited Warranty</u>") is provided by Sierra Pacific Windows ("<u>SPW</u>"), on the terms and conditions set forth herein solely for Architectural Wall System Products as described herein.

- A. General Eligibility of AWS Products. Subject to the other terms and conditions set forth herein, Architectural Wall Systems products eligible for coverage under this Limited Warranty are limited to certain products which were (1) manufactured by SPW on or after May 1, 2017, (2) purchased from a SPW salesperson or an authorized dealer of SPW, (3) installed in the United States or Canada in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with any installation instructions or other specifications of SPW, and (4) satisfying the other terms, conditions and restrictions contained herein ("AWS Products"). Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Limited Warranty shall not apply to, and SPW does not warrant, any AWS Product which is sold subject to another express or implied warranty, whether provided by SPW or a third party, or which are sold in "as-is" condition, as a sample or open box item, as a returned product, in defective, damaged, used, or previously sold condition or otherwise not in new, original and as-manufactured condition. This Limited Warranty is available to the original purchaser of an eligible AWS Product and it is transferable to a subsequent owner of the same real property in which such eligible AWS Product is installed, for the remaining warranty period of such eligible AWS Product as set forth hereín.
- B. Limited Warranty for AWS Products with AAMA 2605 Powder Coated Finishes
 - i. Twenty (20) Year Limited Warranty for AWS Products Installed in Vertical Applications with AAMA 2605 Powder Coated Finishes Under Normal Conditions: Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that under normal conditions, the coating on the metal cladding in AWS Products installed in vertical applications will be free from color change of more than five (5) Delta E units in accordance with ASTM D2244, chalking in excess of a number eight (8) rating based on ASTM D4214, and cracking, checking or adhesion loss (peeling) that materially and adversely affects the appearance of the surface to which the coating is applied when observed at a distance of ten (10) feet from the metal surface and inspected at an angle of 90 degrees to the surface as set forth in AAMA 2605-11, resulting from defects in workmanship or materials for a period of twenty (20) years from the date of manufacture of such AWS Product.
 - ii. <u>Ten (10) Year Limited Warranty for AWS Products Installed in Vertical Applications</u> with AAMA 2605 Powder Coated Finishes Under Extreme Conditions and for <u>Sloped Glazing Applications</u>: Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that under extreme conditions and for any sloped glazing applications, the coating on the metal cladding in AWS Products will be free from color change of more than five (5) Delta E units in accordance with ASTM D2244, chalking in excess of a number eight (8) rating based on ASTM D4214, and cracking, checking or adhesion loss (peeling) that materially and adversely affects the appearance of the surface to which the coating is applied when observed at a distance of ten (10) feet from the metal surface and inspected at an angle of 90 degrees to the surface as set forth in AAMA 2605-11, resulting from defects in workmanship or materials for a period of ten (10) years from the date of manufacture of such AWS Product.
- 2. Limited Warranty for AWS Products with AAMA 2604 Powder Coated Finishes
- i. <u>Ten (10) Year Limited Warranty for AWS Products Installed in Vertical Applications</u> with AAMA 2604 Powder Coated Finishes: Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that the coating on the metal cladding in AWS Products installed in vertical applications will be free from color change of more than five (5) Delta E units in accordance with ASTM D2244, chalking in excess of a number eight (8) rating based on ASTM D4214, and cracking, checking or adhesion loss (peeling), that materially and adversely affects the appearance of the surface to which the coating is applied when observed at a distance of ten (10) feet from the metal surface and inspected at an angle of 90 degrees to the surface as set forth in AAMA 2604-11, resulting from defects in workmanship or materials for a period of ten (10) years from the date of manufacture of such AWS Product.
- ii. Five (5) Year Limited Warranty for AWS Products Installed in Sloped Glazing <u>Applications with AAMA 2604 Powder Coated Finishes</u>: Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that the coating on the metal cladding in AWS Products installed in sloped glazing applications will be free from color change of more than five (5) Delta E units in accordance with ASTM D2244, chalking in excess of a number eight (8) rating based on ASTM D4214, and cracking, checking or adhesion loss (peeling), that materially and adversely affects the appearance of the surface to which the coating is applied when observed at a distance of ten (10) feet from the metal surface and inspected at an angle of 90 degrees to the surface as set forth in AAMA 2604-11, resulting from defects in workmanship or materials for a period of five (5) years from the date of manufacture of such AWS Product.
- D. <u>Five (5) Year Limited Warranty for Anodized Finishes</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that all anodized aluminum clad AWS Product installed in vertical or sloped glazing applications will be free from chalking in excess of a

number eight (8) rating based on ASTM D4214, or fading or change in color in excess of five (5) Delta E units based on ASTM D2244, each of which materially and adversely affects the appearance of the surface when observed at a distance of ten (10) feet from the metal surface and inspected at an angle of 90 degrees to the surface as set forth in AMAA 611-12, resulting from defects in workmanship or materials for a period of five (5) years from the date of manufacture of such AWS Product.

- E. <u>Ten (10) Year Limited Warranty: General</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that each AWS Product, including its wood components (excluding Glue-Lam Beams), hardware and gaskets which accompany the AWS Product (the "Components"), will be free from material defects in workmanship or materials which unreasonably affect such AWS Product's normal functioning for a period of ten (10) years from the original date of manufacture of such AWS Product.
- F. <u>Glue-Lam Beams</u>: Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, SPW warrants that for five (5) years from the date of manufacture, SPW will provide a limited warranty on the glue-laminated wood beams, provided they are not exposed to high moisture, including excessive humidity or chemical-filled environments, and provided proper care and maintenance have been performed. These beams are produced in conformance with ANSI Standard A190.1-2012. The beams require regular care and maintenance, which may include painting, staining, and/ or application of clear finishes. Finish requirements vary depending on location of the system, exposure to the sun and other environmental factors. The SPW Limited Warranty does not cover changes in the wood due to natural "weathering", such as color/hue variances, twisting, checking, splitting, warping, shrinking, and/ or swelling; nor changes in appearance, such as fading of original color or differences between the shades of individual boards, from stains, mold, mildew, chemicals, mechanical abuse, or moisture.
- G. <u>Glass</u>: All flat or insulated glass is warranted by the original glass manufacturer, not by SPW.
- H. <u>Sloped Glazing</u>: The minimum slope for an AWS sloped glazing product is a 2/12 pitch.
- I. <u>Other Products Installed in the AWS</u>: Other Products, including windows and doors, installed in punched openings in the AWS, whether manufactured by SPW or another manufacturer, are covered under that manufacturer's limited warranty. SPW windows and doors are covered under the Sierra Pacific Windows Limited Warranty for Wood/ Clad Light Commercial Products.

II. LIMITATIONS, EXCLUSIONS AND DETAILS OF LIMITED WARRANTY.

- A. SPW AWS Products are manufactured to certain specifications, third-party testing and ratings, which may include air and water infiltration, structural performance, thermal performance and/or sound transmission. The performance of installed AWS Products as noted on the label showing National Fenestration Rating Council (NFRC), third-party testing and ratings can and will change over time due to environmental conditions, installation technique, maintenance, normal wear and tear, and other factors beyond SPW's control. The initial ratings, third-party testing and specifications are furnished solely to assist the purchaser in comparing products at the time of purchase and are not intended, to warrant or guarantee specific field performance at those ratings, third-party testing or specifications as installed or over the life of the AWS Product.
- B. This Limited Warranty is limited solely to material defects in workmanship and materials arising solely from the production and manufacture of AWS Products by SPW. Whether or not any of the above warranties apply, in whole or in part, to an AWS Product or are excluded shall be determined by SPW in its sole discretion. SPW will not be liable for, and some or none of the above warranties will apply to or cover problems, claims or liabilities, costs, expenses, damages or losses, or other damage or defects caused by, arising from, or related to, any of the following:
 - Failure to follow any directions, recommendations, maintenance and care instructions, and/or guidelines set forth in SPW's Care and Maintenance Guide, any SPW Owner's Manual for an AWS Product, the Anodized Care and Maintenance Guide, or any other guide, direction or similar publication otherwise established by SPW, found at sierrapacificwindows.com (collectively, the "SPW Guides"), or the failure to perform regular, normal or routine and other required maintenance to an AWS Product;
 - AWS Products ordered or manufactured as a custom order, special product or otherwise manufactured according to specifications supplied by the consumer or to specifications other than SPW's standard specifications for an AWS Product;
 - 3. AWS Products installed in applications or conditions exceeding their tested performance ratings;
 - Improper handling or installation of AWS Products, including failure to follow SPW's installation instructions and/or failure to install in conformance with accepted construction practices or applicable building codes;
 - Installations in sauna, swimming pool or hot tub rooms, boats, greenhouses or other rooms with high humidity conditions and installations in areas with direct, constant water contact, such as a shower or in the path of sprinkler water;
 - Problems related to water and/or air infiltration/leaking as a result of improper or inadequate flashing, improper installation, flaws in building design or defects in construction;
 - Stress or strain due to building movement or settlement, including strain which is applied to the AWS Product by movement of the building or where provisions have not been made in accordance with sound industry practices for adequate expansion or contraction of framing members;

- Wood cellular structure failure for any Components with prolonged or excessive exposure to moisture or soil, including failure to store the AWS Product upon delivery in a dry temperate environment prior to installation;
- 9. Improper painting, staining, or field finishing maintenance of wood Components, or failure to apply a coating system meeting SPW's standards, recommendations or guidelines or sound industry practices to bare wood surfaces within the lesser of thirty (30) days after purchase, or as otherwise specified by SPW;
- 10. Prolonged exposure to weather in the unfinished and/or primed state;
- Minute fracturing or surface mars in finishes occurring during the fabrication process;
- Failures arising from the failure to periodically perform regular, normal or routine maintenance of an AWS Product, whether as set forth in the SPW Guides or otherwise;
- 13. Variance in color, grain or texture of wood;
- 14. Painting or staining of gaskets;
- 15. Condensation, surface fogging or frost on exposed surfaces of AWS Products and any related water damage which may occur as the natural result of humidity within the structure or due to changes in interior/exterior temperatures;
- Normal wear and tear and/or natural weathering of any surfaces, including discoloration of interior or exterior finishes;
- Corrosion, wear or failure of hardware including loss of functionality in extreme conditions including, but not limited to, seacoast or other corrosive environments, as well as based on elevation, orientation, and altitude;
- 18. Finish failures or corrosion of aluminum cladding or damage to other Components caused by contact with caustic chemicals or chemical fumes, including but not limited to industrial cleaning agents, acid-based products, chlorine, salt spray, airborne pollutants, mortar, mortar cleaner, alkali hydroxides and brickwash;
- Damage occurring or arising from any reason other than a manufacturing defect by SPW, including, without limitation, installation or delivery;
- 20. Damage to an AWS Product resulting from any reason other than a manufacturing defect by SPW, including, without limitation, any such damage arising, in whole or in part, from any accident, abusive handling, misuse, or as a result of any cause beyond the control of SPW (e.g. vandalism, fire, flood, earthquake, acts of God or nature, war, civil unrest, natural causes and/or natural disasters, including earthquakes, floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, typhoons or hurricane or typhoon conditions, or any other cause beyond SPW's control);
- 21. Problems caused by modification to the product by others (e.g. modifications made to add alarm systems or remote window operators);
- 22. Failure to comply with any other provision of this Limited Warranty.
- C. Allocation of Risks of AWS Product Performance. Because some water infiltration must be anticipated in all construction, it is imperative that the building be designed and constructed to properly manage moisture and that the AWS Products be properly installed. SPW is not responsible for, and provides no warranty with respect to, any claims or damages caused by anticipated or unanticipated water infiltration; deficiencies in building design, construction and maintenance; failure to install SPW products in accordance with SPW Guides; or the use of SPW products in systems, such as barrier wall systems, unless management of moisture within the wall system is adequately incorporated within the design of the system, as determined by SPW in its sole discretion. The determination of the suitability of all building components, including the use of AWS Products, as well as the design and installation of flashing and sealing systems, are the responsibility of the buyer, owner, architect, contractor, installer, or other construction professionals and are not the responsibility of SPW, and SPW disclaims all liability with respect thereto. All risks related to building design and construction, fitness or suitability of AWS Products for a particular purpose, or the maintenance, installation, and use of AWS Products shall be assumed by the buyer and/or owner in conjunction with the architect, contractor, installer, or other construction professionals, and such parties waive and release SPW from any claims or damages related to such risks.
- D. General AWS Product Disclaimers.
 - Fading or color changes may not be uniform if the surfaces are not equally exposed to the sun and elements and such variation in fading or color is not considered to be a defect, and SPW provides no warranty and hereby disclaims any and all liabilities with respect thereto.

III. WARRANTY RESOLUTION; EXCLUSIVE REMEDY UNDER THIS LIMITED WARRANTY.

A. In the event the product fails to conform to the express warranties described above within the stated time period, the AWS Product owner's sole and exclusive remedy is that SPW will, at SPW's sole option and discretion, either repair or provide replacement AWS Product or Components for any defective AWS Product or Component, or refund the original purchase price or original catalog list price, whichever is lower, of the defective AWS Product or Component. SPW may, in its sole discretion, substitute a current design for the original AWS Product or Component or otherwise provide a comparable AWS Product as a substitute. If SPW elects to provide a replacement AWS Product or Component to the place where the defective AWS Product or Component was first delivered from SPW's factory. Any freight or delivery charges beyond that destination will be the AWS Product or Component does not extend the warranty time period for the AWS Product or Component, and the warranty time period of the original AWS Product or Component.

Component shall continue to apply. SPW may, in its sole discretion, charge the AWS Product or Component owner a fee for performing an onsite inspection if SPW believes coverage under this Limited Warranty is not clear. SPW may, in its sole discretion, refund any such onsite inspection charge if the subsequent inspection by SPW reveals a defect which is covered by this Limited Warranty.

- As more fully set forth in Section IV below, the limited warranties set forth in Section B. I above are the sole and exclusive warranties provided by SPW with respect to AWS Products. As more fully set forth in Section III (A) above and subject to the terms of this Limited Warranty, the sole and exclusive remedy is repair, replacement or refund. SPW cannot and shall not be liable for any other express or implied warranties, guarantees or representations related to an AWS Product or other remedy made or provided by any distributors, dealers, salespersons or other representatives of SPW in any manner, whether written or oral. NO PARTY IS AUTHORIZED TO EXPAND OR CHANGE THE PROVISIONS OF THIS LIMITED WARRANTY IN ANY MANNER. SPW provides the AWS Products on an "as-is" basis. SPW makes no other representations, statements of fact, promises, guarantees or other warranties of any kind or nature, express or implied, with respect to the AWS Products. Except as expressly set forth herein, SPW disclaims any and all other warranties, express or implied, including any warranty relating to workmanship, merchantability, fitness for particular purpose, freedom from defects, or non-infringement.
- C. <u>Limited Labor Coverage</u>. In the event that SPW elects pursuant to Section III (A) above to provide for the repair or replacement of an AWS Product covered by this Limited Warranty, SPW will, at its cost and expense, provide the labor to repair or replace such AWS Product, the extent and/or scope of said repair and replacement shall be decided by SPW in its sole discretion, for a period of two (2) years from the date the Product was manufactured. SPW shall not be responsible for, and shall not bear any cost or expense with respect to, any repainting, refinishing or similar activities related to or arising from the repair or replacement of any AWS Product. For purposes of clarification, SPW will not be responsible for any costs or expenses related to labor for repair or replacement outside of the time period specified above.
- D. <u>Notice of Warranty Claim</u>. SPW must receive written notice, containing the information below and at the following addresses, from an AWS Product owner claiming coverage under this Limited Warranty within the warranty period and within ninety (90) days of the date the problem with the AWS Product first became known, or should have been known through the exercise of reasonable care, to such owner. In the event that an AWS Product Owner fails to comply with the foregoing, such AWS Product owner shall not be entitled to the benefits of any provision of this Limited Warranty. The notice of claim under this Limited Warranty must contain the following information:
 - 1. The AWS Product owner's name and telephone number;
 - 2. The original order number;
 - 3. The address where the AWS Product is installed;
 - 4. A description of the AWS Product;
 - 5. Proof of ownership of the building in which the AWS Product is installed;
 - The name of the SPW Salesperson or Dealer from whom the product was purchased.
 - 7. A description of the defect and the date of first discovery of the claimed defect.

The foregoing notice shall be delivered to SPW at: SIERRA PACIFIC WINDOWS Attn: Warranty Claim 11605 Reading Road/PO Box 8489 Red Bluff, CA 96080 ST5 South Whelen Avenue Medford, WI 54451

IV. DISPUTE RESOLUTION.

- A. In order to achieve a quick and final resolution of disputes, You and SPW agree that any dispute or claim of any kind or amount arising out of the sale of Architectural Wall Systems, and related or associated products ("AWS Products"), or otherwise relating to SPW, shall be resolved as follows (hereinafter "Dispute Resolution Agreement" or "Agreement"):
 - i. The dispute or claim shall be submitted to mediation, as described herein; and
 - If the mediation does not resolve the dispute or claim in its entirety, then that dispute or claim, or portion thereof, shall be resolved through binding arbitration, as described herein.
- B. Disputes and claims subject to this Agreement include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Any alleged breach of contract or breach of the duty of good faith and fair dealing;ii. Any alleged breach of warranty, express or implied;
 - Any alleged construction defect, including any claims brought under Civil Code Section 895 et seq. (generally referred to as "the Right to Repair Act" or "SB 800");
 - iv. Any alleged violation of federal or state law or regulation;
 - v. Any alleged violation of consumer protection or unfair business practice;
 - vi. Any alleged tort claim, including but not limited to, claims for negligence, strict liability, or fraud;
 - vii. Any other claims, whether arising in equity or common law, and whether seeking damages, injunctive relief, specific performance, declaratory or equitable relief;
 - viii. Any dispute regarding the enforceability or applicability of this Dispute Resolution Agreement or any term herein;
 - Any dispute regarding the rights, duties and obligations of the parties with respect to this Dispute Resolution Agreement.

C. <u>Agreement to Mediate</u>. You and SPW agree that any dispute or claim arising out of the sale of AWS Products, or otherwise relating to SPW, shall be submitted to non-binding mediation prior to any arbitration proceedings. Either party may commence mediation by notifying the other party in writing of its desire to pursue mediation and the subject of the dispute or claim. The parties will cooperate with one another in selecting a mediator and in scheduling the mediation proceeding. The mediation will be held in Sacramento, California, unless the parties agree otherwise. The parties agree that they will participate in the mediation in good faith.

SPW shall be responsible for paying the costs of the mediation. Each party shall be responsible for their own attorney fees and expert fees, if any. All offers, promises, conduct and statements, whether oral or written, made in the course of the mediation by any of the parties, their agents, employees, experts and attorneys, and by the mediator, are confidential, privileged and inadmissible for any purpose, including impeachment, in any arbitration or other proceeding involving the parties, provided that evidence that is otherwise admissible or discoverable shall not be rendered inadmissible or non-discoverable as a result of its use in the mediation.

- D. Agreement to Arbitrate. In the event that a dispute or claim arising out of the sale of AWS Products, or otherwise relating to SPW, is not resolved through mediation, You and SPW agree that such dispute or claim shall be resolved through binding arbitration. Arbitration shall be conducted with JAMS, a private alternative dispute resolution business, pursuant to its Comprehensive Arbitration Rules and Procedures and in accordance with the Expedited Procedures in those Rules. SPW shall be responsible for paying the costs of the JAMS arbitration. Each party shall be responsible for their own attorney fees and expert fees, if any. The arbitration will be held in Sacramento, California, unless the parties agree otherwise. Judgment on the arbitration award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction.
- E. <u>No Jury Trial</u>. YOU AND SPW AGREE TO WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL AND AGREE TO HAVE ALL DISPUTES HEARD AND DECIDED SOLELY BY THE ARBITRATOR CONDUCTING THE BINDING ARBITRATION.
- E <u>No Class Action or Representative Action</u>. YOU AND SPW AGREE THAT ALL DISPUTES OR CLAIMS SHALL BE BROUGHT ONLY ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS, AND SHALL NOT BE BROUGHT AS A REPRESENTATIVE OR CLASS ACTION. THE PARTIES AGREE THAT THE ARBITRATOR SHALL NOT HAVE THE POWER TO CONDUCT THE ARBITRATION AS A REPRESENTATIVE OR CLASS ACTION.
- G. <u>Limitations on Liability</u>. You and SPW agree to waive any right to recover indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages or losses, including but not limited to, damages or losses from business interruption, loss of use, loss of business, loss of revenue, or loss of profits. You and SPW agree to waive any right to recover punitive or exemplary damages. You and SPW agree that the arbitrator is not empowered to award such damages. Some states do not allow for the exclusion or limitation of incidental, consequential or indirect damages or losses, so this limitation may not apply to you. You and SPW agree that in no event or circumstance shall the aggregate amount of damages awarded in arbitration(s) exceed the aggregate amount paid to SPW in connection with the sale of the AWS Products; this limit applies regardless of whether damages are awarded in connection with one claim or multiple claims or one arbitration or multiple arbitrations, and regardless of the timeframe over which the claim(s) are made or arbitration(s) instituted.
- H. <u>Governing Law and Severability</u>. This Dispute Resolution Agreement and the rights of the parties hereunder shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, exclusive of conflict or choice of law rules. The parties acknowledge that this Dispute Resolution Agreement evidences a transaction involving interstate commerce. Notwithstanding the provision in this paragraph with respect to applicable substantive law, any arbitration conducted pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C., Secs. 1-16). In the event any aspect of this Dispute Resolution Agreement is found to be unenforceable or void, the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- <u>Opt-Out Procedure</u>. You may opt-out of this Dispute Resolution Agreement within twelve (12) months from the date of manufacture of your AWS Product by visiting the website <u>www.sierrapacificwindows.com/optout</u> and completing the form to opt-out of this Dispute Resolution Agreement.

(For additional information, including SPW Guides, care and maintenance instructions, installation instructions and previous warranties, refer to www.sierrapacificwindows.com or contact your local Sierra Pacific Windows Service Center or Dealer.)





