

ABBHEY METALS

BS EN 12588 : 2006

Warranty



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Abbey Metals British Lead's Guarantee Statement for Rolled Lead Sheet produced to BS EN 12588:2006.

1. Introduction

Abbey Metals Europe S.L (AM) is a long-established producer of Rolled Lead Sheet, manufactured to the standards of BS EN 12588:2006, 'Lead and Lead Alloys - Rolled Lead Sheet for Building Purposes.' It is a Member of the European Lead Sheet Industry Association (ELSIA) now available for the International Lead Association (ILA).

<https://www.ila-lead.org/ila--cbi/elsia>

Abbey Metals confidence in its manufacturing consistencies and technologies that it employs when manufacturing its products are such, that Abbey Metals offers a free of charge, 50 year guarantee with every UK purchase.

There are some obvious caveats regarding installation, cover, limitations, and exclusions and making a claim that are set out below.

2. Installation

The guarantee is valid when the Rolled Lead Sheet is correctly installed in strict accordance with the following criterion:

- A. Metric standard BS 6915:2001+A1:2014. 'Design and Construction of Fully Supported Lead Sheet Roof and Wall Coverings – National Code of Practice.
- B. Metric standard DTU 40:46, 'Standard Unified Technical Document'
- C. There has been no outside effect and/or interference to the lead product and that the lead has been exposed to normal weathering and natural and fair wear and tear.

3. Cover

The guarantee covers the owner, that if the product 'fails' or is acknowledged by Abbey Metals to be 'defective'.

- A. Abbey Metals will (for the failing or defective proportion of the material supplied) at its discretion:
 - I. a. Reimburse to the 'owner', 'up to' the original retail purchase price of the lead sheet,
 - II. Supply new lead sheet as required to replace the defective lead 'up to' the original retail price of the lead sheet supplied.
- B. The guarantee applies to the lead sheet only. It does not cover any other products, installation and associated costs, materials or substance used in conjunction with the fitting of the lead sheet. Neither does it cover any subsequent damage to the building and/or the buildings contents.

4. Limitation of liability

Abbey Metals provides this guarantee free of charge, and as such all recipients and claimants are deemed to agree to all limitations and exclusions of liability as fair and reasonable in all circumstances:

- A. Abbey Metals total liability is limited to and shall in no circumstances exceed the original retail sale price of the lead sheet supplied.
- B. Abbey Metals shall not be liable to any recipient thereof or any potential claimant arising out of or in connection with this guarantee for any loss of or damage to profit, revenue, savings, data, contract and loss of business; or any consequential loss or damage, in each case howsoever caused or arising.
- C. Any lead replaced/removed from site will be the property of Abbey Metals for analysis. Disposal of this material will be at Abbey Metals discretion.
- D. All claims arising or made in connection with this guarantee shall be governed by English law. Does not affect the purchaser's statutory rights.

5. Exclusion

Lead sheet:

- A. Is not proven to have been manufactured by Abbey Metals.
- B. That has not been installed in line with the installation requirements of this guarantee.
- C. That has been affected by and/or contaminated by any other products or materials.
- D. Damaged by anything other than the fair wear and tear and natural causes.
- E. Lead that has been maintained in any way that despite its original compliance has rendered the installation non-compliant with the installation terms of this guarantee.
- F. Purchased from Abbey Metals more than 50 years before the claimant Notification date.
- G. Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) - Staining due to Nitrogen Oxide is not covered under this warranty.

Note: The stain, a brown/red mark on the surface of the sheet can appear at irregular intervals and without any noticeable or apparent cause. The reason for the staining is not entirely understood. There is a consensus that the stain may be caused, by NOx emissions from aviation fuel as staining has been found under flight paths. This theory is yet to be proven. No detrimental effect has been recorder to the performance of the lead sheet.

7. Making a claim
 - A. To make a claim under this guarantee, a claimant must satisfy Abbey Metals with evidence provided by an Abbey Metals recognised body that failure of the roof is because of the lead sheet being defective. This guarantee is only applicable to Abbey Metals lead sheet that was installed in accordance with the above installation criterion.
 - B. Contact Abbey Metals as soon as failure is suspected.
 - C. Abbey Metals representatives will be allowed full access to site as well as all records including but not exclusive, purchase, installation, and maintenance records.
 - D. Abbey Metals, by mutual agreement, may appoint an appropriately qualified assessor to examine and report on the lead and its installation to determine if the lead sheet is deemed to be, non-compliant to BSEN 12588: 2006 and that it was properly fitted in compliance with the terms of the guarantee.
 - E. Abbey Metals will abide with the outcome of the report.



8. Contact Details



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