Safe practices when working with Pressure-treated wood

- Wear gloves when working with wood.
- Wear a dust mask when machining any wood to reduce the inhalation of wood dusts.
- Wear appropriate eye protection to reduce the potential for eye injury from wood particles and flying debris during machining.
- Wash hands thoroughly with mild soap and water after working with treated wood.
- All sawdust and debris should be cleaned up and disposed of after construction in accordance with local waste management regulations.
- Do not burn pressure-treated wood.
- Wash work clothes separately from other household clothing before reuse.
- Pressure-treated wood should not be used where it may come into direct or indirect contact with drinking water, except for uses involving incidental contact such as fresh water docks and bridges.
- Do not use pressure-treated wood in circumstances where the preservative may become a component of food, animal feed or beehives.
- Do not use pressure-treated wood for mulch.
- Ecolife may be disposed of in landfills or burned in commercial or industrial incinerators or boilers in accordance with federal, state and local regulations.

Ecolife® is an Above Ground approved product and should not be used in Ground-contact applications where Ecolife treated materials will come into contact with ground, or are buried in soil; such as posts.

Installation Information:

1. Butt Boards Tightly: Because treated wood is often still wet when delivered to the store and jobsite, it is important to butt deck boards together during installation as they will shrink slightly in width and thickness as they dry out.
2. Drill Pilot Holes to minimize the splitting when nailing near the edge or end of a board.
3. Use the Best Deck Face: Always use the best looking side of a deck board for the deck surface. Nail thinner boards to thicker boards.
4. Fasteners: Hot-dipped galvanized, stainless steel or Building code approved fasteners are required for all exterior wood.
5. Finishing: A finish coat of clear or semi-transparent water repellent stain with UV protection may additionally help to maintain the beauty of your deck. Always follow manufacturer’s application instructions.
6. Above Ground Use Only: Ecolife is designed to improve framing and decking products used in an Above-Ground application, and should not be used in contact with soil or Ground-Contact applications.

Outdoor projects using Ecolife® such as decks, fences and gazebos look better for longer with up to 50% less surface cracking, checking and splitting as compared to other treated wood products.

Ecolife Stabilized Weather-Resistant Wood (EL2) is an innovative preservative, designed to fully protect Above-Ground pressure-treated wood used in outdoor projects against decay and termite attack, and enhance the beauty of your outdoor living space. During the pressure-treatment process, Ecolife’s wood stabilizing preservative is driven deep into the wood to protect all surfaces from the harmful weathering effects that are associated with traditional treated wood in an outdoor environment.

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Treated lumber is either made for ground-contact applications or above-ground uses. Ecolife is an Above Ground approved product and should not be used in applications where the boards will come into contact with ground, or are buried in soil. Ecolife should not be used for Ground-contact applications including posts and other structures buried in the earth.
LIFETIME LIMITED WARRANTY
For Certain Residential and Agricultural Uses

Viance® warranty coverage includes Above Ground treated wood framing members that are critical to the safety and performance of the structure, including joists and beams for residential use and above water decking for docks.

The warrantor, Viance LLC (“Viance”), extends this Limited Warranty to an Original Consumer Purchaser(s) (as defined below) of wood products pressure treated to the proper American Wood Protection Association (“AWPA”) end use retention level solely with Ecolife® Stabilized Weather-Resistant Wood preservatives, distributed and sold by Viance in the United States (“ECOLIFE or EL2”). “Covered Property” shall mean a residential and/or agricultural property onto which an original purchase of Ecolife is installed by an Original Consumer-Purchaser(s). “Original Consumer-Purchaser(s)” shall mean an original purchaser of Ecolife who is the owner of record of a residential and/or agricultural property at the time such original purchase of Ecolife is installed. This warranty shall only apply if such installation is completed and the Ecolife is used in compliance with this warranty, product instructions and all applicable laws, regulations, codes, legal requirements, AWPA standards and other applicable standards (“Covered Use”). This warranty is effective from the date of original purchase until the Original Consumer-Purchaser sells, conveys or otherwise transfers the Covered Property. This warranty is not transferable.

THIS WARRANTY COVERS:
Ecolife against damage by fungal decay or termite infestation that makes the wood structurally unfit for the application for which it was used; provided that all of the following conditions are met: (i) such use is a Covered Use on a Covered Property; (ii) each piece of Ecolife bears the logo of an inspection agency that is sanctioned by the American Lumber Standards Committee; (iii) each piece of Ecolife has an Ecolife or (EL2) Lifetime Limited Warranty or similar end tag retained by the Original Consumer Purchaser.

Viance, within 60 days of validation of a claim under this warranty, will arrange to exchange the qualifying damaged Ecolife for new Ecolife of the same type.

THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER AND VIANICE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR:

1. Ecolife used (i) in, on, under or around commercial, industrial or commonly owned property (including condominiums) or multifamily apartment buildings; and/or (ii) any commercial or industrial application, including without limitation building poles or building timbers in structural applications or commercial vineyard stakes.

2. Any application other than an above-ground application. Ecolife used in ground contact applications or installed in such a way that results in direct contact with the ground or exposed to other conditions that simulate a ground contact exposure.

3. Ecolife used in foundation systems or in water immersion applications or damage resulting from any causes other than fungal decay or termite infestation.

4. Damage caused by natural change in physical appearance of wood beyond the control of the product, including but not limited to the weathering of the wood and normal wear and tear.

5. Ecolife that has been milled after treatment.

6. Costs associated with the delivery, installation, removal, reinstallation or refinishing of Ecolife.

7. Any incidental or consequential damages claimed to be a result of failure of Ecolife.

8. Improperly treated wood products, and wood products treated with third party products.

The obligation of Viance under this warranty is limited to replacement of lumber in accordance with the terms of this warranty. There are no warranties offered by Viance other than those described herein. Nothing in this warranty shall create additional implied warranties, including without limitation warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. Some state and local laws vary with regard to duration of implied warranties and limitations of incidental or consequential damages contained in such implied warranties. In any event, Viance will comply with the laws of the state in which a limited warranty is validated. Ecolife is not a maintenance free product. Over time, foot traffic, weathering and the sun’s ultra-violet rays will affect the wood’s surface in general. To help maximize surface protection and to keep your wood looking better longer, we recommend that a surface-applied water repellent with UV blocking benefits be applied every one to two years.

HOW TO MAKE CLAIMS

To make a claim under this warranty, an Original Consumer-Purchaser must send to the address below, the original invoice or retailer receipt showing date, amount, and Ecolife end tags for each item of Ecolife claimed to be damaged. You may be required to provide Viance with additional photographs and sections of damaged wood. In addition, Viance reserves the right to have a representative inspect and test all wood claimed to be damaged. Failure to use this product for a Covered Use immediately voids this warranty.

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