



SAWLFA
SOUTHERN AFRICAN WOOD, LAMINATE
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THE ORIGIN OF SAWLFA

Interest in the use of traditional wood & laminate floors and the newer generation; vinyl flooring; in commercial and domestic buildings, prompted responsible local concerns to form a body representative of the industry.

The Southern African Wood, Laminate & Flooring Association (SAWLFA) was formed in November 1998. Its aims were, to develop an awareness of the potential of wood and laminate flooring, and to address the needs of both the local industry and that of the consumer.

This initiative is in line with comparative organisations throughout the world. Many of which have been active for a considerable length of time. Thus, many current European norms such as those published by the EPLF (European Producers of Laminate Flooring) are applied together with South African standards (SANS10043 & SANS10070) tailored for the South African situation.

ACCREDITATION OF INSTALLERS



Full SAWLFA installation accreditation is available to installer members. On successful completion of the SAWLFA installation training modules, installation teams will receive a certificate to this effect. This provides clients with the knowledge and peace of mind that installations are being carried out in accordance with product specifications.



THE SAWLFA MISSION

- All products conform to strict European and South African standards.
- Protection of the public through the establishment of industry standards.
- Installations are performed according to SANS, SAWLFA and manufacturers specifications.

TO BE ACHIEVED BY

- Providing a unified voice for the industry.
- Setting and maintaining industry standards.
- Establishment of guidelines and material for training and education of industry participants.
- Playing an advisory role and providing impartial opinions to resolve problems and disputes.
- Providing a central advisory forum for technical matters.



BENEFITS FOR THE CONSUMER

- All Corporate members have certificates to show they comply with EN13329 specifications.
- Access to accredited suppliers and installers of reliable flooring products.
- Advice on correct product quality selection.
- Information on local and international specifications and standards.
- All members ascribe to the SAWLFA code of Ethical Practice, which requires them to maintain the highest standards of honesty and integrity towards their clients.
- Wood products conform to strict European and South African standards.
- Protection through objective evaluations and unbiased opinions.
- Installations are performed according to SANS, SAWLFA and manufacturers specifications.

ONLY USE COMPANIES THAT ARE MEMBERS OF



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