

# PREMIUM FURNITURE PROTECTION PLAN GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Administrator shall mean GBS Warranty Services, LLC 550 Fairway Drive, Ste. 205 Deerfield Beach, FL 33441 1-888- 585-9488 or Our authorized third-party provider used to process claims payments and/or cancellation refunds. "We", "Us" and "Our" shall mean the Obligor.

**Plan Provider or Obligor**: The Provider/Obligor under this Service Agreement is Starr Protection Solutions, LLC ("SPS"), except in Florida, Oklahoma and Washington. In Oklahoma and Washington, the Obligor is Starr Technical Risks Agency, Inc. ("Starr Tech"). SPS and Starr Tech (License # 44200902) are located at 399 Park Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10022, 1-855-438-2390. In Florida, the Obligor is Starr Indemnity & Liability Company located at 399 Park Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10022, 1-855-438-2390.

"You" or "Your" shall mean the consumer or purchaser of the Product(s) covered by this Service Agreement including the lessor of the Furniture ("Lessor"), if the Furniture was acquired under a lease-to-own arrangement ("LTO Arrangement"). "Service Agreement" or "Agreement" or "Plan" shall mean this document together with Your original purchase receipt. "Plan" refers to the Furniture Protection Plan. "Product" means the furniture care kit and other protection and repair products or advice that We may provide. "Retailer" means the authorized entity selling You the Plan. "Furniture" means the qualifying indoor furniture described below and delivered concurrently with Your purchase of the Plan. There is no deductible under this Service Agreement.

**PLAN TERM:** The coverage period for this Plan is five (5) years, with the beginning date commencing from the date of covered Furniture delivery.

QUALIFYING FURNITURE: Upholstered Fabric and Microfiber Furniture; Upholstered Vinyl and Leather Furniture, Wood and Solid Surface Furniture, all of which are purchased concurrently with the Plan. This Plan is available for new Furniture only that is sold through a Retailer. Furniture covered by this Plan must be received by You from the Retailer free of stains or damage.

**PLAN COVERAGE:** Damage to covered Furniture must be reported within thirty (30) days of discovery to the Administrator.

### For Damage to Upholstered Fabric, Microfiber, Vinyl and Leather Furniture:

- All Stains (See Exclusions. You must report stains when they occur Accumulation of stains is not covered.)
- Dye Transfer
- · Burn or Singe Marks Caused by Brief Contact with Flame or Heat
- · Rips, Tears or Punctures

## For Damage to Wood and Solid Surface Furniture:

- All Stains (See Exclusions. You must report stains when they occur Accumulation of stains is not covered.)
- Dye Transfer
- Burn or Singe Marks Caused by Brief Contact with Flame or Heat
- Fading from the Sun
- · Scratch or Gouge that Penetrates the Finish
- Checking, Cracking, Bubbling and Peeling of the Finish or Lifting of Veneers (from a specific incident)
- Accidental Chipping and Breakage of Glass or Mirrors

LTO ARRANGEMENTS: Where the product was initially acquired under a LTO Arrangement, any cash settlement or refund will be paid to the owner of the product at the time the settlement is made. This will be the Lessor if you have not yet acquired ownership of the property. In all other respects, the Lessee will retain a beneficial interest in this Plan and all non-cash benefits described herein shall be rendered to the Lessee. Any owner obligations related to maintenance of the product shall be the responsibility of the Lessee during the term of any LTO Arrangement except as provided by law. Any reference to purchased, sold, or similar terms shall include leased and its derivatives. Any reference to

HOW THIS PROTECTION PLAN WORKS: If the new Furniture covered by this Plan becomes stained or damaged as described above during normal RESIDENTIAL use and You cannot correct the damage using recommended Products (before using, test in an inconspicuous area) and/or procedures provided by Us or the Retailer, the affected area or damaged part will be repaired or replaced. If We cannot repair the damage or replace a damaged part, the affected Furniture will be replaced with the same or a similar piece of furniture having an equal retail purchase price as the damaged Furniture. If a manufacturer's warranty is in effect for the Furniture and covers or should cover the damage, this Plan will not apply. Service or replacement is limited to the damaged Furniture only and the Plan does not transfer to Furniture replaced under this Plan. Only Furniture shown on the original receipt that remains in Your possession is eligible for coverage. This Plan does not eliminate the need for routine care and maintenance of Your Furniture which shall be Your sole responsibility.

TO OBTAIN SERVICE: Damage to covered Furniture must be reported within thirty (30) days of discovery to the Administrator. You can report Your claim by Our customer service department at 1-888-585-9488 or online at www.gbsent.com. You must have Your original receipt showing Your purchase of the covered Furniture and this Plan; the original copy of this Plan or the unique Registration Number printed on this Plan; the original delivery date of the covered Furniture; and the discovery date of the stain or damage. You shall

reasonably cooperate with the Administrator in its efforts to perform its obligations under this Plan. Failure to comply with the provisions in this Plan may void any claim.

THE SERVICE PROCESS: Upon receiving a claim covered by this Plan, We will provide repair advice and/or products to aid in stain removal or repair of the damage. If the stain or damage persists, at Our discretion, You may receive a no charge in-home visit by a professional technician. If the technician determines that repairs must be made off-site, the damaged Furniture will be removed and returned at no cost to You. With or without a technician visit, We may elect to replace the damaged part or area of the damaged Furniture. If the stain or damaged part or area cannot be repaired or replaced, or if a part is not available, We will authorize replacement of the damaged piece of Furniture. You may select a replacement piece of furniture at a price equal to or less than that of the damaged Furniture. We will not replace or otherwise service matching pieces of Furniture that are not damaged and are not responsible for, and will take no action to correct, dye lot or texture variations arising from service or replacement of a part of Furniture or replacement of an entire piece of Furniture. This Plan does not transfer to replacement Furniture. Replacement selections must be made at the original store of purchase or at a store operated by the Retailer. If the original Retailer is closed, out of business, or You have moved out of the Retailer's normal delivery area, this Plan will be limited to repair service only or terminated and You will receive a pro rata refund of the purchase price of the Plan calculated based on the elapsed time since the commencement of the Plan, less any claims paid. If You financed the purchase of this Plan any refund owed pursuant to this provision will be paid directly to the lender of record. If You purchased this Plan under an LTO Arrangement, any refund owed pursuant to this provision will be paid directly to the Lessor of record unless You have taken ownership of the property.

### IMPORTANT EXCLUSIONS: We will not cover the following:

- Stains or damage caused by transit, delivery, redelivery, assembly or movement between residences or storage or while in storage
- Stains or damage caused by improper cleaning methods or improper cleaning materials, or damage caused by the application of topical treatments (other than those provided by Us or the Retailer specifically for the covered Furniture) or failure to comply with manufacturer's warranty
- Stains or damage from acid, bleach, caustic solutions, mildew, mold or reoccurring damage as a result of lifestyles, even if otherwise covered by this Plan
- Incontinence
- Odors
- Fading of the upholstery, color loss, and/or discoloration
- Pet damage other than pet bodily fluids, such as damage from teeth, beaks or claws Normal wear and tear to fabrics and leathers, such as soiling from everyday use
- including body oil, hair oil, perspiration, or darkened body contact areas
- Inherent design or structural defects in fabrics and leathers, including but not limited to, natural inconsistencies in upholstery or delamination of microfiber
- Failure or loosening of threads or splitting of seams, stress tears, loss of foam resiliency, spring or coil damage, damage to zippers, pilling or fraying of upholstery or any stain or damage to decking or platform cloth
- Wood surface scratch or gouge that does not penetrate through the finish
- Cracking or peeling of upholstered fabric or leather
- Leather surface scratches that do not penetrate through the upholstery, such as scuffs or scrape marks
- Leather flaws and manufacturer's defects that cause rips, cuts, punctures, or color loss
- Dye lot or texture variation
- Natural stone, granite and marble and scratches on glass
- Water damage by leaking appliances, water heaters, skylights, and pipes
- Intentional damage or willful abuse or misuse of the covered Furniture
- Any loss covered by homeowner's or renter's insurance
- Scratches on glass
- Furniture purchased for group homes, assisted living residences, and nursing homes that is used by the general public for short term use
- Damage to motors and associated components due to power surges, low voltage/amperage, normal wear and tear, or any damage caused by an external power source
- Repair, replacement or maintenance in connection with operational or structural failure due to defects in materials or workmanship, normal wear and tear, or accidental damage from handling and assembly, except as listed for motors or except as listed for motors, mechanisms, and frames.
- Service, maintenance, repair, or replacement necessitated by any loss or damage resulting from any cause other than normal RESIDENTIAL usage, such as, but not limited to, loss or damage due to misuse, abuse, unauthorized repair by others, collision with any other object, loss or damage resulting from failure to provide manufacturer's recommended maintenance or inspection, add-on products or accessories, attachments, rust, corrosion, battery leakage, sand, dirt, rodent or insect infestation, damage or stains caused by acts of God, fire, water, windstorm, hail, earthquake, exposure to the sun or other heat source, exposure to the cold, theft, negligence, riot, outside contractors or any other peril.



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- Any breach of implied or expressed warranty of merchantability or fitness of the Furniture to from the manufacturer or Retailer
- Initial or subsequent installation, assembly or hookup of Your Furniture is not covered
- Removal and reinstallation, except as determined by Us
- Any indirect, consequential or incidental damages, including loss or damage to person or property, arising from the use of, or inability to use, or from the repair or replacement of the Furniture
- Any and all pre-existing conditions that existed prior to the effective date of this Plan
- "As is," "pre-owned," showroom-displayed, rental (other than an LTO Arrangement), nonresidential, in-home daycare businesses or commercial use, rattan, bamboo or wicker used outdoors, plastic (ready to assemble), nubuck, suede, carpets, fossil stone, chenille, silk, "X" coded and/or non-color fast fabrics or Furniture sold without a manufacturer's or store warranty
- · Mattresses and Box Springs
- Rugs and Carpets
- Failure to use reasonable means to protect your Furniture from further damage after a Covered event occurs
- Any Stain or Damage caused by an Independent Contractor, such as but not limited to Plumber, Painter or other Service or Maintenance Personnel
- ANY CLAIM THAT IS COVERED OR SHOULD BE COVERED BY THE MANUFACTURER'S OR STORE WARRANTY
- General soiling or a gradual buildup or accumulation of dirt, dust, body oils, perspiration, and other damage that cannot be attributed to a single occurrence.
- Any periodic checkups, preventative maintenance, lubrication, and general cleaning of nonfunctional or aesthetic parts including but not limited to plastic parts, knobs, rollers, baskets or accessories used in conjunction with the covered Furniture, such as pillows and buttons
- · Service where no problems are found, such as noises or squeaks
- · Failures that occur outside the Fifty (50) States of the United States of America

LIMIT of LIABILITY: Our cost and liability to provide service, repair or replacement under this Plan is limited to the lesser of the cost of authorized repairs or replacement of the Covered Furniture with a product of equal or similar features and functionality. In no event will the Our total liability for repairs or replacement exceed the lesser of the original purchase price of the Covered Furniture excluding tax and delivery costs paid during the purchase of the Covered Furniture (or) \$25,000.

**PROTECTION PLAN PROVISIONS:** This Plan is not renewable or transferable and does not supersede any applicable manufacturer's warranty. You are the only person eligible for coverage under this Plan. This Contract shall not be voided by Us unless You have committed fraud or material misrepresentation in obtaining this Contract or in presenting a claim for service thereunder. If You financed the purchase of this Plan any refund owed pursuant to this provision will be paid directly to the lender of record. Our failure to exercise rights under this Plan does not waive those rights. If You purchased this Plan under an LTO Arrangement, any refund owed pursuant to this provision will be paid directly to the Lessor of record unless You have taken ownership of the property. Our failure to exercise rights under this Plan does not waive those rights.

**CANCELLATION:** This Plan may be cancelled by You for any reason, including, but not limited to, the Furniture covered by the Plan being sold, lost, stolen or destroyed. To cancel the Plan, contact Us toll-free at **1-888-585-9488**. If You cancel this Plan within the first thirty (30) days after receipt of the Plan and no claims have been made hereunder, You will receive a full refund of the purchase price. If You cancel this Plan after the first thirty (30) days of receipt of the Plan or if a claim has been made hereunder, You will receive a pro rata refund of the purchase price of the elapsed time since the commencement of the Plan, less any claims paid. Cancellations initiated by You after the first thirty (30) days may be subject to a cancellation fee in an amount not to exceed 10% of the purchase price of the Plan or twenty-five dollars (\$25), whichever is less. If We do not pay a refund due to You as a result of the cancellation of the Plan within 45 days after receiving notification from You of cancellation of the Plan, We will pay to You a penalty for each month of any refund amount that remains outstanding equal to 10 percent of

the refund amount due. If You financed the purchase of this Plan, any refund due as a result of Your cancellation of the Plan will be paid directly to the lender of record. If You purchased this Plan under an LTO Arrangement, any refund owed pursuant to this provision will be paid directly to the Lessor of record unless You have taken ownership of the property.

### Arbitration: READ THE FOLLOWING ARBITRATION PROVISION ("PROVISION") CAREFULLY. IT LIMITS CERTAIN OF YOUR RIGHTS, INCLUDING YOUR RIGHT TO OBTAIN RELIEF OR DAMAGES THROUGH COURT ACTION.

As used in this Provision, "You" and "Your" mean the person or persons named in this Plan, and all of his/her heirs, survivors, assigns and representatives. "We" and "Us" shall mean the Obligor identified above and shall be deemed to include all of its agents, affiliates, successors and assigns, and any retailer or distributor of its products, and all of the dealers, licensees, and employees of any of the foregoing entities.

Any and all claims, disputes, or controversies of any nature whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise, including statutory, common law, fraud (whether by misrepresentation or by omission) or other intentional tort, property, or equitable claims) arising out of, relating to, or in connection with (1) this Plan or any prior Plan or Product, and the purchase thereof; and (2) the validity, scope, interpretation, or enforceability of this Provision or of the entire Agreement ("Claim"), shall be resolved by binding arbitration before a single arbitrator. All arbitrations shall be administered by the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") in accordance with its Expedited Procedures of the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the AAA in effect at the time the Claim is filed. The terms of this Provision shall control any inconsistency between the AAA's Rules and this Provision. You may obtain a copy of the AAA's Rules by calling (800) 778-7879. Upon written request We will advance to You either all or part of the fees of the AAA and of the arbitrator. The arbitrator will decide whether You or We will be responsible for these fees. The arbitrator shall apply relevant substantive law and applicable statute of limitations and shall provide written, reasoned findings of fact and conclusions of law. The arbitration shall be held at a location selected by Us within the state in which You purchased this Plan. This Provision is part of a transaction involving interstate commerce and shall be governed by the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 U.S.C. § 1 et. seq. If any portion of this Provision is deemed invalid or unenforceable, it shall not invalidate the remaining portions of the Provision, except that in no event shall this Provision be modified or construed to permit or mandate arbitration on behalf of a class of claimants or individuals other than You, or to apply to Claims other than Yours. This Provision shall inure to the benefit of and be binding on You and Us and its Provision shall continue in full force and effect subsequent to and notwithstanding the expiration of termination of this Plan.

You agree that any arbitration proceeding will only consider Your Claims. Claims by, or on behalf of, other individuals will not be arbitrated in any proceeding that is considering Your Claims.

#### YOU AND WE UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT, BECAUSE OF THIS PROVISION NEITHER YOU NOR US WILL HAVE THE RIGHT TO GO TO COURT EXCEPT AS PROVIDED ABOVE OR TO HAVE A JURY TRIAL OR TO PARTICIPATE AS ANY MEMBER OF A CLASS OF CLAIMANTS PERTAINING TO ANY CLAIM.

FRAUD RESULTS IN HIGHER COSTS TO THE CONSUMER AND IS ILLEGAL.

THIS IS NOT A CONTRACT OF INSURANCE, BUT OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS PLAN MAY BE BACKED BY AN INSURANCE POLICY.

THIS IS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND NO REPRESENTATION, PROMISE OR CONDITION NOT CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL MODIFY THESE TERMS.

**Insured Agreement:** This is not an insurance policy. However, We have obtained an insurance policy to insure Our performance under this Service Agreement. Should We fail to pay any claim or fail to replace the Product covered under this Service Agreement within sixty (60) days after Product has been returned or, in the event that You cancel this Service Agreement, and We, fail to refund the unearned portion of the Service Agreement price, You are entitled to make a direct claim against the insurer, Starr Indemnity & Liability Company at 1-855-438-2390 or 399 Park Ave 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10022.

Warranty Registration Number

MUST BE REGISTERED

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### SPECIAL STATE DISCLOSURES

Regulation of service plans may vary widely from state to state. Any provision within This Agreement, which conflicts with the laws of the state where you reside, shall automatically be considered to be modified in conformity with applicable state laws and regulations as set forth below. The following state specific requirements apply if your Service Agreement was purchased in one of the following states and supersede any other provision within your Service Agreement terms and conditions to the contrary.

KENTUCKY only: If processing of a claim for service has not been completed within sixty (60) days after proof of loss has been filed with the Obligor, the claim may be submitted to Starr Indemnity & Liability Company who insures the Obligor's obligations under this Service Agreement at 399 Park Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10022.

NORTH CAROLINA only: The purchase of a Service Agreement is not required in order to obtain financing. We may not cancel this Service Agreement except for nonpayment by You or for violation of any of the terms and conditions of this Service Agreement. If You cancel this Service Agreement, You will receive a pro-rata refund, less the cost of any claims paid and less a cancellation fee of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the refund. To arrange for cancellation of this Plan, please contact your selling retailer. Obligations under this Service Agreement are insured by Starr Indemnity & Liability Company, 399 Park Ave., 8th Floor, New York, NY 10022.

SOUTH CAROLINA only: In order to prevent damage to the covered Product, please refer to the owner's manual. This Service Agreement does not provide coverage for pre-existing conditions. This Service Agreement does not cover repair and replacement necessitated by loss or damage resulting from 1) any cause other than normal use and operation of the Product in accordance with manufacturer's specifications and/or owner's manual or 2) failure to use reasonable means to protect Your Product from further damage after a breakdown or performance failure occurs. You may return this Service Agreement within twenty (20) days of the date this Service Agreement was delivered to you, or within ten (10) days, if the Service Agreement was delivered to you at the time of sale. If you made no claim, the Service Agreement is void and the full purchase price will be refunded to You. To arrange for cancellation of this Plan, please contact your selling retainer. We will pay a penalty of ten (10) percent per month on a refund that is not made within forty-five (45) days of return of the Service Agreement. In the event We cancel this Service Agreement, We will mail a written notice to you at your last known address at least fifteen (15) days prior to cancellation with the reason for cancellation is nonpayment of the provider fee, a material misrepresentation, or a substantial breach of duties by you relating to the covered property or its use. If a claim for service has not been completed within sixty (60) days after proof of loss has been filed, the claim can be south Carolina Department of Insurance, P.O. Box 100105, Columbia, South Carolina, 29202-3105, (803) 737-6134.

ENTIRE CONTRACT: This Service Agreement together with your Purchase Receipt sets forth the entire contract between the parties and no representation, promise, or condition not contained herein shall modify these terms.

Your protection Plan is already registered.

The Sales receipt number is your registration number.

Please retain sales receipt.

This Limited Warranty Must Be Saved For Service



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