



Meier Design & Build Details Post-Construction Warranty Coverage for Completed Custom Homes

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Meier Design & Build has outlined the post-construction support it provides after clients move into newly completed custom residences. The veteran-owned company documents a structured warranty period covering materials, workmanship, mechanical systems, and structural components as part of its design-build process.

According to the firm's published custom home construction guide, materials and workmanship are warranted for one year after occupancy. Mechanical systems, including plumbing, electrical, and HVAC, are covered for two years. Structural components carry a ten-year warranty. The company states that follow-up work after move-in addresses items that become apparent only after a home is occupied, since no one has lived in the residence before that point.

Paul Meier, owner and founder, described the purpose of this phase. "Warranty work is part of completing a custom home, not a separate afterthought," Meier said. "After occupancy, the team remains available to address items that show up once a household is actually using the house."

The warranty period follows earlier stages of the design-build sequence: floor-plan development, pre-construction approvals and subcontractor selection, and the construction phase itself. Construction typically spans several months after site work and foundation begin. Interior selections and scheduling occur during that period with coordination among the owner, interior design support, and on-site management.

Aaren Reidel, vice president, supports finish and layout decisions that later affect how spaces perform in daily use. Director of business Ryan Laudon handles project communications and budgeting. Site manager Nathan Lilestol oversees field execution so construction aligns with approved plans before the warranty clock starts.

The company positions this post-occupancy phase as an extension of client communication that reviewers often mention in published comments about availability and follow-through. Those accounts describe team members remaining reachable for questions from planning through completion. The warranty structure formalizes that continuity after keys are turned over.

As a custom home builder in Rochester, MN, the firm applies the same coordinated model to new residences on lots in areas such as Cassidy Farms, Cassidy Ridge, Montgomery Meadows, Mayo Woodlands, and other listed sites. Warranty terms apply to completed custom homes built under its process rather than to resale properties constructed by others.

The construction guide notes that no home is occupied before closing, so settlement of finishes, seasonal movement, and first-use issues can appear after families move in. The published response is to contact the builder so items can be scheduled and corrected. That sequence is presented as standard practice rather than an optional add-on.

Meier Design & Build continues to publish educational material for first-time custom clients, including guidance on planning, budgets, and communication. The warranty description sits alongside that content as part of how the company documents what happens after construction ends. Clients receive written terms covering the one-year, two-year, and ten-year categories rather than informal assurances alone.

The team's stated approach is to treat punch-list and early occupancy items as remaining project work. That framing keeps accountability with the same organization that designed and built the home. It also gives homeowners a defined period and defined scope for follow-up instead of an open-ended informal arrangement.

Seasonal conditions in southeast Minnesota can make some settlement and mechanical adjustments more visible after the first heating or cooling cycle. The warranty windows are written to cover that initial period of use. Structural coverage extends further to address longer-term building-performance concerns.

The company remains focused on completing custom homes through a single design-build team and then supporting those homes through the published warranty intervals. That sequence?planning, construction, occupancy, and documented follow-up?forms the full cycle described in its client materials.

Meier Design & Build is a veteran-owned custom home builder in Rochester, MN. Founded by Paul Meier, a second-generation builder with over 25 years of experience and an Air Force veteran, the company specializes in design-build services. The team, including vice president Aaren Reidel, director of business Ryan Laudon, and site manager Nathan Lilestol, focuses on collaborative planning, quality materials, and coordinated execution to create personalized homes.

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