

# **PRE-EXERCISE**

PERSON COMPLETING ASSESSMENT

# Screening Assessment Tool

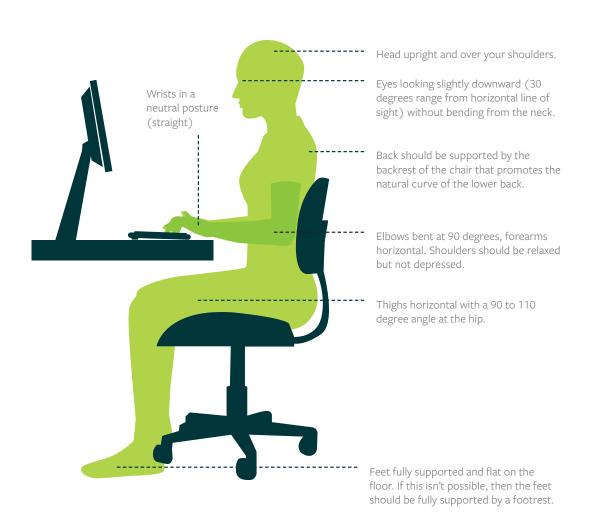
The Workstation Ergonomics Self-Assessment is best undertaken by two people e.g. with your supervisor or team member. This enables the person to sit at their workstation while a second person observes and assists them achieve the recommended posture.

Following completion of this checklist, please discuss any concerns or requirements with your supervisor. All completed assessments should be submitted to your supervisor.

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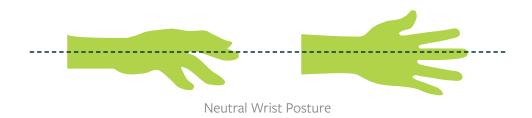
#### THE OFFICE CHAIR

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
Can the height, seat and back of the chair be adjusted to achieve the posture outlined below?				Obtain a fully adjustable chair
Are your feet fully supported by the floor when you are seated?				<ul><li>Lower the chair</li><li>Use a footrest</li></ul>
Does your chair provide support for your lower back?				<ul><li>Adjust chair back</li><li>Obtain proper chair</li><li>Obtain lumbar roll</li></ul>
When your back is supported, you able to sit without feeling pressure from the chair seat on the back of your knees?				<ul><li>Adjust seat pan</li><li>Add a back support</li></ul>
Do your armrests allow you to get close to your workstation?				<ul><li>Adjust armrests</li><li>Remove armrests</li></ul>



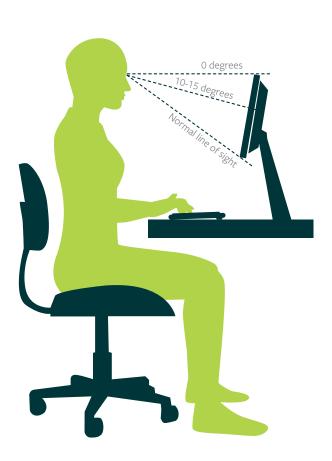
### **KEYBOARD AND MOUSE**

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
Are your keyboard, mouse and work surface at your elbow height?				<ul><li>Raise / lower workstation</li><li>Raise or lower keyboard</li><li>Raise or lower chair</li></ul>
Are frequently used items within easy reach?				Rearrange workstation
Is the keyboard close to the front edge of the desk allowing space for the wrist to rest on the desk surface?				Move keyboard to correct position
When using your keyboard and mouse, are your wrists straight and your upper arms relaxed?  The keyboard should be flat and not propped up on keyboard legs as an angled keyboard may place the wrist in an awkward posture when keying.				<ul> <li>Re-check chair, raise or lower as needed</li> <li>Check posture</li> <li>Check keyboard and mouse height</li> </ul>
Is your mouse at the same level and as close as possible to your keyboard?				<ul> <li>Move mouse closer to keyboard</li> <li>Obtain larger keyboard tray if necessary</li> </ul>
Is the mouse comfortable to use?				<ul> <li>Rest your dominant hand by using the mouse with your non-dominant hand for brief periods (mouse buttons can be changed within the computer control panel)</li> <li>Investigate alternate mouse options.</li> </ul>



## **WORK SURFACE**

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
Is your monitor positioned directly in front of you?				Reposition monitor
Is your monitor positioned at least an arm's length away?  Note: the monitor's location is dependent on the size of the monitor, the font, screen resolution and the individual user e.g. vision/use of bifocal spectacles etc.				<ul> <li>Reposition monitor</li> <li>Seek an alternative monitor if necessary e.g. flat screen that uses less space</li> </ul>
Is your monitor height slightly below eye level?				<ul><li>Add or remove monitor stand</li><li>Adjust monitor height</li></ul>
Is your monitor and work surface free from glare?				<ul> <li>Windows at side of monitor</li> <li>Adjust overhead lighting</li> <li>Cover windows</li> <li>Obtain anti-glare screen</li> </ul>
Do you have appropriate light for reading or writing documents?				<ul> <li>Obtain desk lamp</li> <li>Place on left if right- handed – place on right if left handed</li> </ul>
Are frequently used items located within the usual work area and items which are only used occasionally in the occasional work area?				Rearrange workstation





#### **BREAKS**

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
Do you take postural breaks every 30 minutes? E.g. standing, walking to printer / fax etc.?				<ul> <li>Set reminders to take breaks</li> </ul>
Do you take regular eye breaks from looking at your monitor?				<ul> <li>Refocus on picture on wall every 30 minutes</li> </ul>

### **ACCESSORIES**

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
Is there a sloped desk surface or angle board for reading and writing tasks if required?				Obtain an angle board
Is there a document holder either beside the screen or between the screen and keyboard if required?				Obtain document holder
Are you using a headset or speaker phone if you are writing or keying while talking on the phone?				Obtain a headset if using the phone and keyboard

#### **LAPTOP**

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
In the event of using a laptop computer for prolonged periods of time use of;				
A full sized external keyboard and mouse;				<ul> <li>Obtain appropriate laptop accessories</li> </ul>
Docking station with full sized monitor or a laptop stand				

# "HOT DESKING" (WHEN APPLICABLE)

	Yes	No	N/A	Suggested Actions
Provided time, support and supervision to make				
above adjustments.				