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|  | | | *Risk Matrix for DSE Assessor’s Use* | | | | | | | |
| **BHCC_logo_4cm**  **Display Screen Equipment (DSE) Self Assessment & Risk Assessment Form** | | | Likelihood |  | | | | Severity | | |
| Very unlikely | 1 | | | | Minor injury – no time off | | |
| Unlikely | 2 | | | | Injury – up to 7 days off | | |
| Likely | 3 | | | | Reportable condition | | |
| Very likely | 4 | | | | Major injury/ long-term absence | | |
| Certain | 5 | | | | Death | | |
| Risk rating = Likelihood X Severity | | | | | | | |
| Low = 1- 8 | | Medium = 9 – 15 | | | | High = 16 - 25 | |
| **Name of user** |  | **Occupation** | | | |  | | | | |
| **Workplace address** |  | | | | | | | | | |
| **Are you:** | **A Fixed Based Office Worker**  **A Flexible Worker (works from a number of different desks)**  **A Flexible Worker who is temporarily working from home**  **A Home Worker (predominantly based at home)** | | | | | | | | | |
| **DSE e-learning completed?** | **Yes**  **No** | | | | | | | | | |
| **Self Assessment Date:** |  | **Manager:** | | | | |  | | | |
| **Full DSE Assessment Date:** |  | **DSE Risk Assessor:** | | | | |  | | | |
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| 1. **The User** | | | | | |
| Do you experience any wrist aches or pains at work? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you experience tired eyes or headaches at work? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you had an eye examination within the last 2 years? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you experience any other health issues associated with DSE work, e.g. neck, shoulder, arm, back, eye problems? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you reported any health issues or pain to your manager? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you received any specific recommendations about DSE equipment from Occupational Health or your GP? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are you a new or expectant mother? (If yes, you should also be receiving specific individual risk assessments as specified in BHCC’s New & Expectant Mothers Standard |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **2. The Chair** | | | | | |
| Do you have access to chairs that are comfortable and free from defects? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do the chairs swivel freely on a stable 5 star base? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are the backrests adjustable? (height and tilt) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are the height and angle of the seats adjustable? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do the chairs have armrests and do they fit under the desk? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you have the use of a footrest if required? |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **3. The Desk** | | | | | |
| Can any of the desks be set at the correct height to suit you? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are the desks stable and level? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Are the desk surfaces of low reflectance? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Is there sufficient space on the desks for your work equipment? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Is there sufficient room under the desks for your legs? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Is the telephone placed in an appropriate place on the desks to avoid stretching? |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you have a document holder if required? |  |  |  |  |  |
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| **4. The Screen** | | | | | | |
| Can the screens be set at the correct height for you? *(top of screen should be level with your eyes)* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you sit approximately an arm’s length distance away from the screen? |  |  |  |  | |  |
| Is there a tilt facility? |  |  |  |  | |  |
| Are the screens free from glare/reflection? |  |  |  |  | |  |
| Are you able to adjust the brightness/contrast? |  |  |  |  | |  |
| Do you regularly work from more than 1 monitor screen at a time? |  |  |  |  | |  |
| If so, are both screens set to the same resolution and height? |  |  |  |  | |  |
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| **5. The Keyboard and Mouse** | | | | | | |
| Is there sufficient space for the keyboard and for you to rest your wrists during pauses in typing? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Are the keyboards you use clean and symbols clear? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Is the mouse you use placed in an ergonomic way? *(close to you and the keyboard?)* |  |  | |  |  |  |
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| **6. Hot Desking** | | | | | | |
| Do you hot desk?(i.e.  use a number of different desks) |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you feel able to set up your workstation correctly? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you have access to specific equipment that you may need? Footrest, document holder etc. |  |  | |  |  |  |
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| **7. Laptops & Other Mobile Devices** | | | | | | |
| Do you use a laptop to carry out your work? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you have access to a docking station? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you have access to a laptop stand & separate keyboard and mouse? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you have a suitable means i.e. trolley/bag to carry and/or transport the laptop? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you experience any manual handling issues when carrying/ transporting the laptop? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you use a mobile device such as a smartphone or tablet to carry out work for sustained periods (i.e. for over 15 minutes at a time)? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you have access to a tablet stand and separate keyboard and mouse? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you use any techniques to reduce the need to type, such as voice input or keyboard short cuts when using your mobile device? |  |  | |  |  |  |

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| **8. Home working** | | | | | | |
| Do you work at home on ad-hoc basis (or are temporarily based there due to Covid-19) |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Are you based at home? (you carry out your work wholly from home) |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Have you completed the Health and Safety Assessment for Working from Home? |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Does the council provide the necessary workstation equipment for you to carry out your work? |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Has a dedicated space been identified for working from home? |  |  |  | |  |  |
| Are you familiar with your team’s home working guidelines or procedures? |  |  |  | |  |  |
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| **9. Work Organisation** | | | | | | |
| Do you take regular breaks away from your workstation?  (recommended - *5-10 min break every hour).*  *NB if using a mobile device without any of the recommended controls in section 7, a 2 min break every 15 min is recommended.* |  |  | |  |  |  |
| How many hours on average do you spend on the computer daily? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Do you undertake work that includes long periods of concentration, repetitive movements, or excessive mouse work? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Are you aware of shortcut codes to reduce use of the mouse? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Can you control the pace of your work? |  |  | |  |  |  |
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| **10. Local Environment** | | | | | | |
| Is there sufficient space for you to get to and from the workstation freely? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Is there sufficient light? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Are adjustable blinds fitted at the windows? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Is the temperature comfortable and adjustable? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Are noise levels comfortable around you? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Is the work area free from trip hazards? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Is there adequate storage space? |  |  | |  |  |  |
| Are wipes available for cleaning DSE/equipment? |  |  | |  |  |  |
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