

What Risk Factors are measured by Wellnomics Risk Management?

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WORKPACE 1



The Wellnomics Risk Management product assesses up to 50 risk factors, depending upon how many modules are implemented. These risk factors have all been identified by a panel of international experts at the Netherlands TNO Research Institute as being associated with the development of musculoskeletal disorders in office workers.

The risk factors are divided into seven risk categories, and grouped into three modules

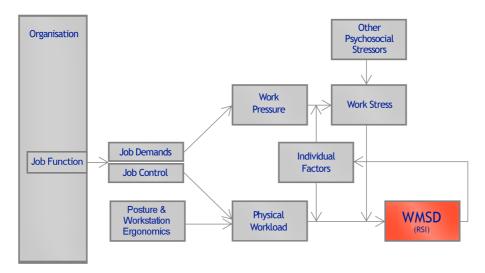
Module	Risk Categories	Number of Risk Factors	Risk Factors
Module 1 (Computer Use Risk Reporting)	Computer Use and	7	High computer use
	Breaks		High mouse use
			High keyboard use
			High peak computer use
			High work/rest ratio
			Insufficient rest breaks
			Insufficient Micropauses
	Speed & Intensity	5	High typing speed
			High level of mouse clicks
			High use of mouse drag
			High level of mouse movements (direction
			changes/min)
			High level of precise mouse work
	Compliance	12	Poor Micropause Compliance
			Poor WorkPace Break Compliance
			WorkPace being put on Standby too often
			Ignoring too many Daily Limit warnings
			Ignoring too many Dutch regulation break warnings
			Ignoring too many Dutch regulation Daily Limit warnings
			Ineffective Settings: Micropauses turned off
			Ineffective Settings: Micropause Duration too long
			Ineffective Settings: WorkPace Breaks turned off
			Ineffective Settings: WorkPace Break Duration too short
			Ineffective Settings: WorkPace Break Interval too long
			Ineffective Settings: WorkPace Daily Limit turned off



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Module 2	Posture and Workstation	11	Neck flexion Neck extension Neck rotation Anterior position of the head (leaning forward, head sticking out) Shoulder elevation Upper arm elevation Upper arm rotation Insufficient forearm support Wrist ulnar abduction Wrist extension Wrist flexion
	Discomfort	12	Current symptoms or discomfort Past history of symptoms or discomfort Eyestrain Level of discomfort in: Neck Upper back Lower back Left shoulder and upper arm Right shoulder and upper arm Left forearm Right forearm Left hand and wrist Right hand and wrist
Module 2 (Optional)	Psychosocial Factors (work stressors)	8	High mental load High work demands Low job control Low social support from colleagues Low sense of community Lack of feedback at work Lack of sufficient leadership High work stress
	Individual Factors	6	Increased risk due to female gender High sensitivity to stress or commitment High tendency to continue working Low physical activity Low physical fitness Low muscle strength

All risk factors are weighted using a risk model developed by TNO to calculate overall risk levels for each office worker and identify those staff most at risk of musculoskeletal health problems.





Health risks model for office workers developed by TNO Research Institute

For more information on each risk factor, including its criteria and management advice on how to address each risk factor, see the Wellnomics Ergonomics Reference Guide¹.

For the research behind these risk factors see Wellnomics white paper - Reference Literature for Wellnomics Risk Management.

¹ Available both as a printed document and also in the Wellnomics Risk Management online help.