# Ergonomics standards

**Training** 



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# Introduction

Ergonomics is a strong pillar to implement the 5S methodology

Improves work conditions and results







### REMINDER: The 22 rules of economy of movements

### Simultaneity of movements

- 1. Both hands must start and end their movements at the same time.
- 2. Both hands must not remain inactive at the same time, except during rest.
- 3. The movements of the arms must be symmetrical and simultaneous.

### Minimum energy expenditure

- 4. The movements necessary to work must use the smallest possible muscle mass.
- 5. Continuous movements are preferable to "Zig Zag" movements or movements in broken lines with acute angles.

### The living force

- 6. Live force should be used whenever possible to assist the operator's movements. It should be minimized if movement is controlled.
- 7. Ballistic movements are faster, easier and more precise than constrained or controlled movements.





### Pace

8. Acquiring a pace is essential for the ease and automatic execution of a job.

### Order of the equipped work area

- 9. There must be a defined place for all materials or components.
- 10. Tools, materials and testers should be placed as close as possible from the operator.
- 11. The materials, components and tools must be arranged to allow the best possible sequence of movements.

### Use of gravity

- 12. Gravity feed boxes and containers must supply the performer(s) close to their workplace.
- 13. Gravity must be used for evacuation: chutes, conveyors, inclined rollers, etc.





### Comfort and lighting of the work surface

- 14. Each operator must be provided with the best conditions for the lighting of his work.
- 15. The height of the work surface and the seat should as close as possible to allow working standing or sitting.
- 16. A seat allowing good posture must be provided to each operator.

### Freedom of hands

17. The hands must be relieved of all the work which can be done more advantageously by an assembly.

### Combining / positioning

- 18. Tools should be combined whenever possible.
- 19. Tools and devices should be positioned whenever possible.





### Control elements

- 20. The handles must allow the largest possible contact surface.
- 21. The levers and flywheels must allow them to be maneuvered with the slightest change in posture and with as much mechanical efficiency as possible.

### Finger loading

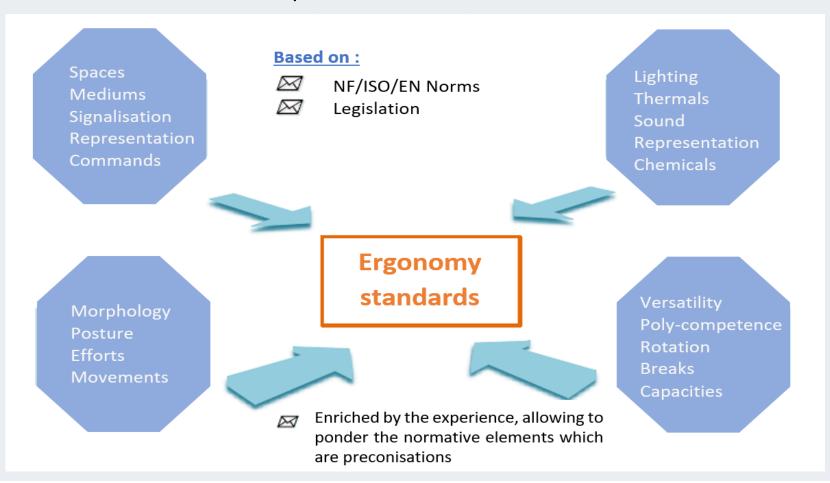
22. When each finger performs a separate movement, the load of each finger must be distributed according to the capacities of each.





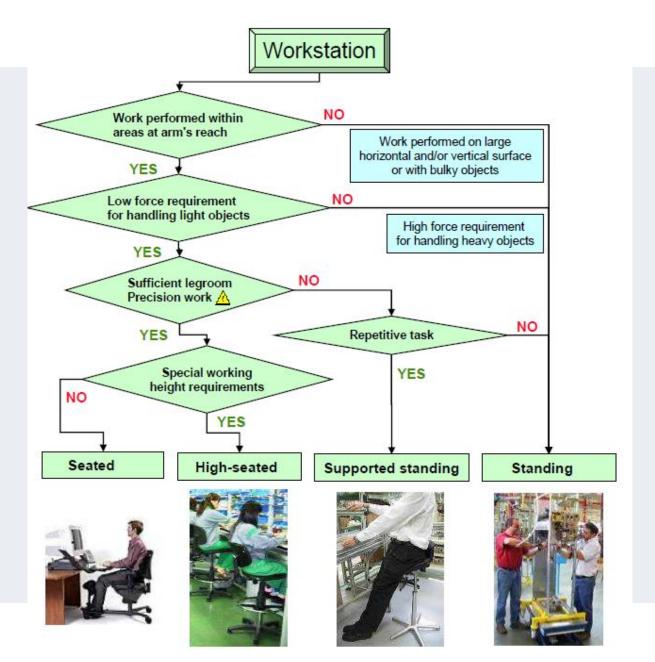
### Workbenches ergonomics – Ergonomics standards

The ergonomics standard, co-construction for the improvement of working conditions and the prevention of arduous work.













### Workbenches ergonomics – Seat

### The choice of the seat will depend on:

- task constraints
- posture flexibility
- ease to sit and stand
- seat stability required
- material covering
- ease to be adjusted







### Workbenches ergonomics - Seat



### Specific Recommendations exist:

- Easily adaptable
- Provide support and comfort
- Prevent sweat accumulation and electrostatic discharge
- Back rest adjustable in height and inclination
- Base should have 5 bearing points to ensure stability





### Workbenches ergonomics – Work Performance



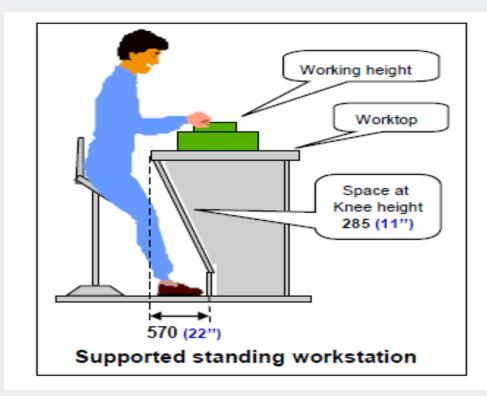
# 8 Fundamental Ergonomics Principles for better work performance:

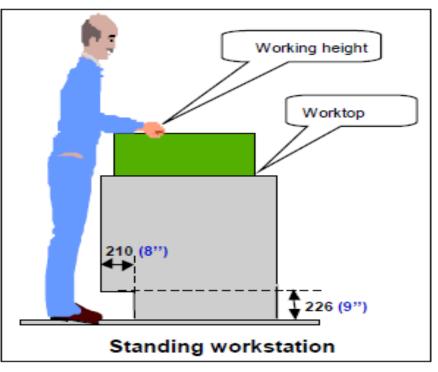
- Principle 1. Maintain Neutral Posture
- Principle 2. Work in the Power / Comfort Zone
- Principle 3. Allow Movement and Stretching
- Principle 4. Reduce Excessive Force
- Principle 5. Reduce Excessive Motions
- Principle 6. Minimize Contact Stress
- Principle 7. Reduce Excessive Vibration
- Principle 8. Provide Adequate Lighting





### Workbenches ergonomics – Workstation dimensionning

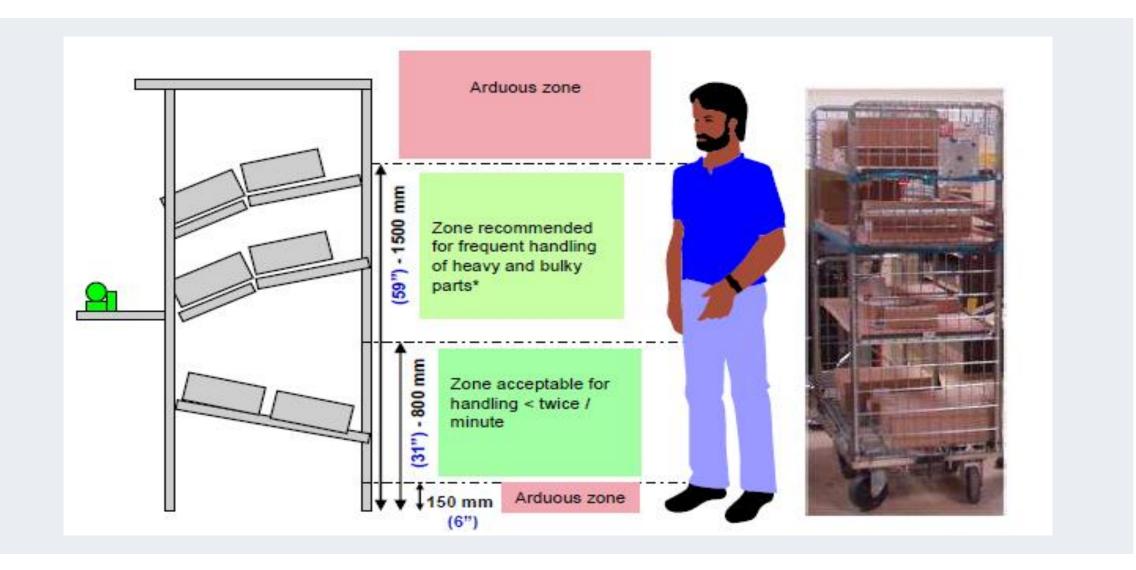








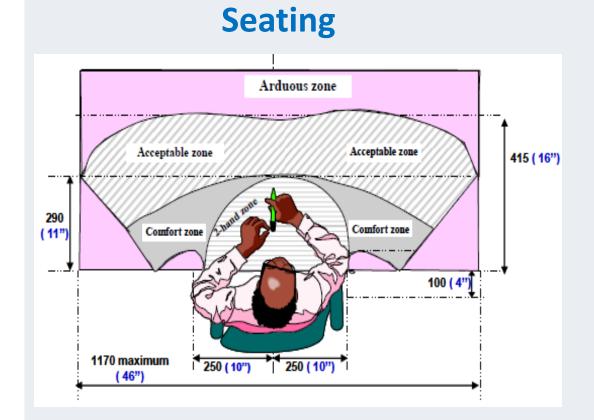
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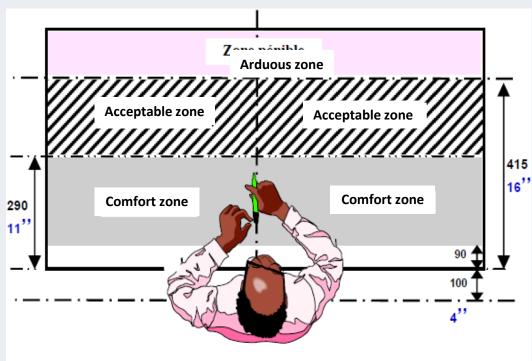




### Workbenches ergonomics – Working zones



### **Standing**







### Workbenches ergonomics - Positionning of controls



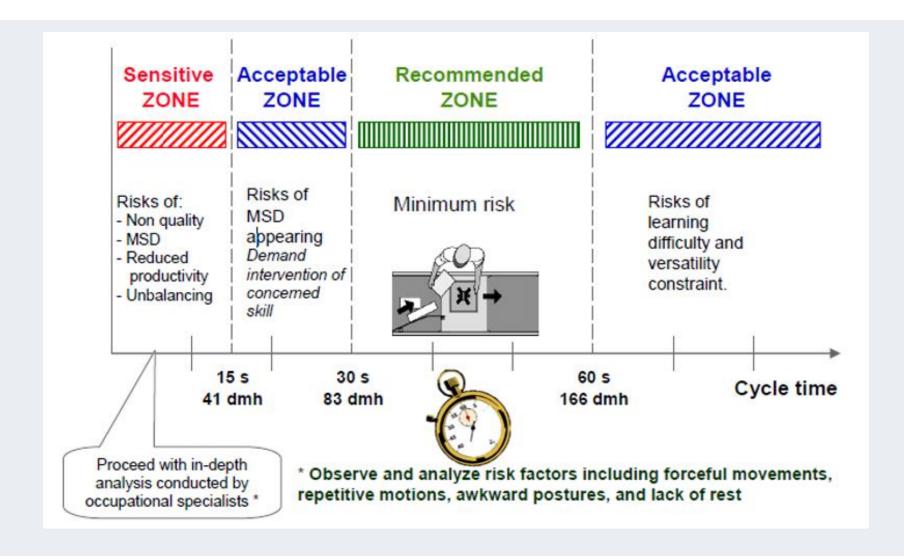
### Recommendations:

- Manual controls located in acceptable gripping zones
- The degree of force to be applied should be considered
- Controls used frequently should always be located near the visual task
- A control used for emergency operation should be capable of actuation in a very short time





### Workbenches ergonomics – Cycle time





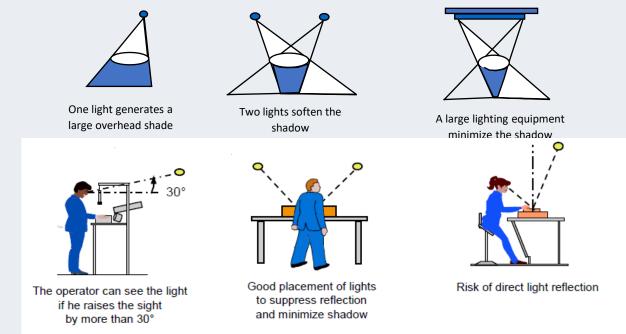


### Workbenches ergonomics – Illumination

Lighting homogeneity

Dazzle elimination

Contrasts



High



Medium



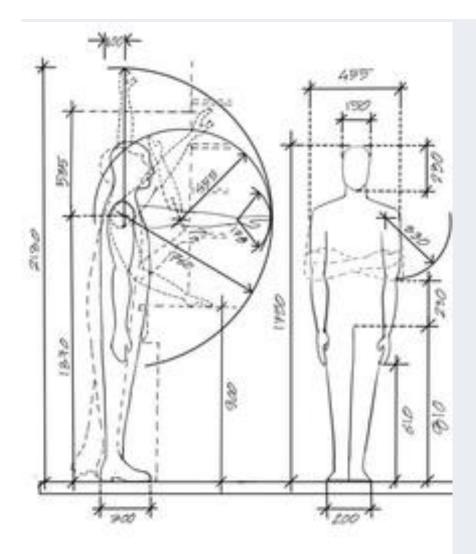
Low







### Workbenches ergonomics – Anthropometric models

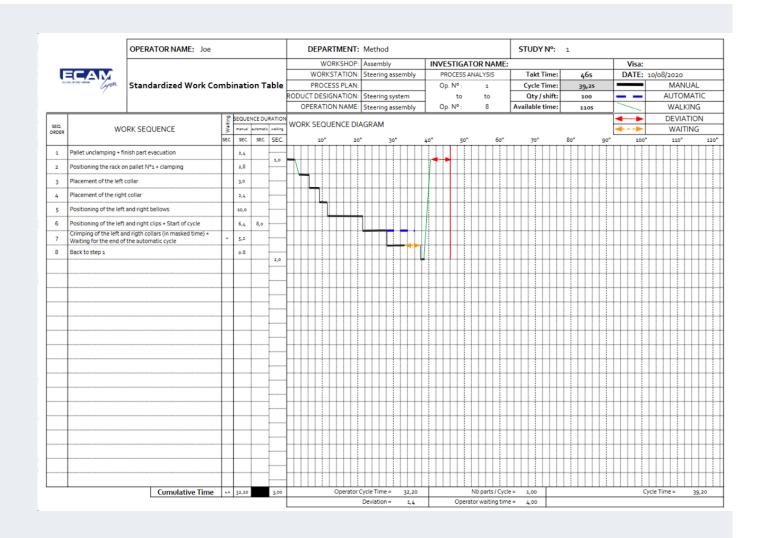


- Facilitate an elementary approach
- Model based on the physical body size of most of the population.
- Suggested dimensions are derived from known measurements for the fit adult population.
- More specific and accurate measurements should be used for in-depth ergonomic design.
- Working zones should be adjusted for 90% of the population.
- The frequency of the distribution for the stature will depend on the population and it can vary from one country to another.
- It change accordingly if you are a woman or a man.



## Time analysis

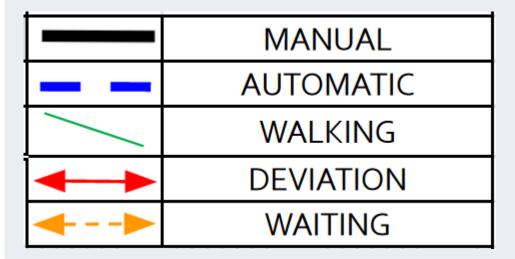
The Standard Work Combination
Table (SWCT) combines human
movement and machine
movement based on takt time and
is used as a tool to determine the
range of work and work sequence
for which a team member is
responsible.



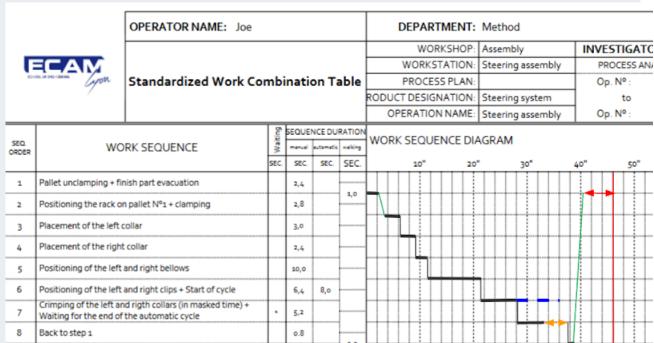




### The symbols used in SWCT:



### Description of work sequence:





# Thank you for your attention

Any Questions?