Six Minute Walk Test Score Sheet

Verbal instruction:

"For this test, do the best you can by going as fast as you can, but don't push yourself to a point of overexertion or beyond what you think is safe for you.

- 1. Start with both feet on the start line.
- 2. On start, walk as quickly but as safely as possible around the course / up and down the hallway.
- 3. Continue the course / walkway to cover as much ground as possible over 6 minutes.
- 4. Walk continuously if possible, but do not be concerned if you need to slow down or stop to rest. The goal is to feel at the end of the test that no more ground could have been covered in the 6 minutes.
- 5. You can sit down to rest if you require".
- 6. Get ready and START".

	Walking	Step height	Distance	
Date	aid	(cm)	(metres)	Adaptations
1.				Uses walking aid
				Not tested – Unable
/ /				Not tested - refused
2.				Uses walking aid
				Not tested – Unable
/ /				Not tested - refused
3.				Uses walking aid
				☐ Not tested – Unable
/ /				Not tested - refused
4.				Uses walking aid
				Not tested – Unable
/ /				Not tested - refused
5.				Uses walking aid
				Not tested – Unable
/ /				Not tested - refused

Normal values

Distances in healthy individuals aged 60-89 years (1)

	Males			Females		
Age	Mean (m)	SD (m)	95% CI	Mean (m)	SD (m)	95% CI
60-69yrs	572	92	521-623	538	92	497-579
70-79yrs	527	85	478-575	471	75	440-507
80-89yrs	417	73	356-478	392	85	345-440

Risk zone of falls: less than 320 m (2)

6MWT distances were found to be associated with age and height in males and age, height and BMI in females. Regression equations to predict 6MWT in middle-aged and elderly adults are ⁽³⁾:

Males: 6MWT (m) = 867 – (5.71 age, years) + (1.03 height, cm). Females: 6MWT (m) = 525 – (2.86 age, years) + (2.71 height, cm) – (6.22 BMI).

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