Your Body at Work: Make Yourself Comfortable

Everyone's ergonomic needs are different, if you experience any problems you should report these to your supervisor.

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Take a 5-minute stretch break every 1-2 hours.

Monitor should be 18”- 20” from body. Top 1/3 of screen should be at or below eye level.

Monitor perpendicular to window to reduce glare.

Keyboard should be on slight negative tilt, about 1” above thighs.

Mouse in plane or slightly above plane of keyboard. Avoid reaching for mouse.

Sitting straight up in chair to support pelvis and lower back.

Elbows at right angles.

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Hip angle between 96-110 degrees as is comfortable.

Thighs approximately parallel to floor.

Knee angle at 90 degrees with feet in front of you.

Feet flat on floor or on footrest.

Always stack heaviest things on middle shelves.

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