

**MEDICAL SOURCE STATEMENT OF
ABILITY TO DO WORK-RELATED ACTIVITIES (PHYSICAL)**

NAME OF INDIVIDUAL

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

To determine this individual's ability to do **work-related activities on a regular and continuous basis**, please give us your opinions for each activity shown below:

The following terms are defined as:

- **REGULAR AND CONTINUOUS BASIS** means 8 hours a day, for 5 days a week, or an equivalent work schedule.
- **OCCASIONALLY** means very little to one-third of the time.
- **FREQUENTLY** means from one-third to two-thirds of the time.
- **CONTINUOUSLY** means more than two-thirds of the time.

Age and body habitus of the individual should not be considered in the assessment of limitations. It is important that you relate particular medical or clinical findings to any assessed limitation in capacity: The usefulness of your assessment depends on the extent to which you do this.

I. LIFTING/CARRYING

Check the boxes representing the amount the individual can lift and how often it can be lifted.

Lift	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)
A. Up to 10 lbs:				
B. Up to 20 lbs:				
C. 20 to 50 lbs:				
D. 50 to 100 lbs:				

Check the boxes representing the amount the individual can carry and how often it can be carried.

Carry	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)
A. Up to 10 lbs:				
B. Up to 20 lbs:				
C. 20 to 50 lbs:				
D. 50 to 100 lbs:				

Identify the particular medical or clinical findings (i.e., physical exam findings, x-ray findings, laboratory test results, history, and symptoms including pain etc.) which support your assessment or any limitations and why the findings support the assessment.

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II. SITTING/STANDING/WALKING

Please circle how many hours the individual can (If less than one hour, how many minutes):

	<u>Minutes</u>	<u>At One Time without Interruption</u>							
		<u>Hours</u>							
A. Sit	_____	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
B. Stand	_____	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
C. Walk	_____	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

	<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Total in an 8 hour work day</u>							
		<u>Hours</u>							
A. Sit	_____	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
B. Stand	_____	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
C. Walk	_____	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

If the total time for sitting, standing **and** walking does not equal or exceed 8 hours, what activity is the individual performing for the rest of the 8 hours?

Does the individual require the use of a cane to ambulate?

Yes No

If the answer is "yes" please answer the following:

• How far can the individual ambulate without the use of a cane? _____

• Is the use of a cane medically necessary?

Yes No

• With a cane, can the individual use his/her free hand to carry small objects?

Yes No

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III. USE OF HANDS

Indicate how often the individual can perform the following activities:

ACTIVITY	Right Hand				Left Hand			
	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)
REACHING (Overhead)								
REACHING (All Other)								
HANDLING								
FINGERING								
FEELING								
PUSH/PULL								

Which is the individual's dominant hand? • Right Hand • Left Hand

Identify the particular medical or clinical findings (i.e., physical exam findings, x-ray findings, laboratory test results, history, and symptoms including pain etc.) which support your assessment or any limitations and why the findings support the assessment.

IV. USE OF FEET

Indicate how often the individual can perform the following activities:

ACTIVITY	Right Foot				Left Foot			
	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)
Operation of Foot Controls								

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V. POSTURAL ACTIVITIES

How often can the individual perform the following activities:

Activity	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)
Climb stairs and ramps				
Climb ladders or scaffolds				
Balance				
Stoop				
Kneel				
Crouch				
Crawl				

Identify the particular medical or clinical findings (i.e., physical exam findings, x-ray findings, laboratory test results, history, and symptoms including pain etc.) which support your assessment or any limitations and why the findings support the assessment and why the findings support the assessment.

VI. DO ANY OF THE IMPAIRMENTS AFFECT THE CLAIMANT'S HEARING OR VISION?

No Yes Not Evaluated

If "yes" please complete the following questions (where appropriate).

1. If a **hearing impairment** is present,
 - a. Does the individual retain the ability to hear and understand simple oral instructions and to communicate simple information? Yes No
 - b. Can the individual use a telephone to communicate? Yes No
2. If a **visual impairment** is present,
 - a. Is the individual able to avoid ordinary hazards in the workplace, such as boxes on the floor, doors ajar, or approaching people or vehicles? Yes No
 - b. Is the individual able to read very small print? Yes No
 - c. Is the individual able to read ordinary newspaper or book print? Yes No
 - d. Is the individual able to view a computer screen? Yes No
 - e. Is the individual able to determine differences in shape and color of small objects such as screws, nuts or bolts? Yes No

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VII. ENVIRONMENTAL LIMITATIONS

How often can the individual tolerate exposure to the following conditions?

Condition	Never	Occasionally (up to 1/3)	Frequently (1/3 to 2/3)	Continuously (over 2/3)
Unprotected Heights				
Moving Mechanical Parts				
Operating a motor vehicle				
Humidity and wetness				
Dust, odors, fumes and pulmonary irritants				
Extreme cold				
Extreme heat				
Vibrations				
Other: (Identify)				

Condition	Quiet (Library)	Moderate (Office)	Loud (Heavy Traffic)	Very Loud (Jackhammer)
Noise				

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VIII. PLEASE PLACE A CHECK IN APPROPRIATE BOXES BASED SOLELY ON THE CLAIMANT'S PHYSICAL IMPAIRMENTS.

ACTIVITY	YES	NO
Can the individual perform activities like shopping?		
Can the individual travel without a companion for assistance?		
Can the individual ambulate without using a wheelchair, walker, or 2 canes or 2 crutches?		
Can the individual walk a block at a reasonable pace on rough or uneven surfaces?		
Can the individual use standard public transportation?		
Can the individual climb a few steps at a reasonable pace with the use of a single hand rail?		
Can the individual prepare a simple meal & feed himself/herself?		
Can the individual care for personal hygiene?		
Can the individual sort, handle, use papers/files?		

Please identify the medical or clinical findings that support this assessment and why the findings support the assessment (unless a narrative report is attached).

IX. STATE ANY OTHER WORK-RELATED ACTIVITIES, WHICH ARE AFFECTED BY ANY IMPAIRMENTS, AND INDICATE HOW THE ACTIVITIES ARE AFFECTED. WHAT ARE THE MEDICAL OR CLINICAL FINDINGS THAT SUPPORT THIS ASSESSMENT?

X. THE LIMITATIONS ABOVE ARE ASSUMED TO BE YOUR OPINION REGARDING CURRENT LIMITATIONS ONLY.

HOWEVER, IF YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO FORM AN OPINION WITHIN A REASONABLE DEGREE OF MEDICAL PROBABILITY AS TO PAST LIMITATIONS, ON WHAT DATE WERE THE LIMITATIONS YOU FOUND ABOVE FIRST PRESENT? _____

XI. HAVE THE LIMITATIONS YOU FOUND ABOVE LASTED OR WILL THEY LAST FOR 12 CONSECUTIVE MONTHS? YES NO

SIGNATURE

DATE

Print Name, Title and Medical Specialty (Legibly Please)

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