Mobilis Rolyan Workshop

9 Hole Peg Test

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Assessment Tool

Indications;

- Test fine motor co-ordination
- Test hand/eye co-ordination
- Test ability to follow simple directions

Summary

- The objective of evaluating manual & finger dexterity is to provide data about the speed, accuracy & quality of hand & finger use.
- Brief, standardised, quantitative test
- Small and portable
- Easy administration, quick, minimum 5 minute administration
- · Can be cleaned

Reliability & Validity

- High inter-rater reliability & good test-retest reliability
- Evidence for concurrent & convergent validity
- Sensitivity to detect minor impairments of hand function

Contra-indication / Limitations

- If unusual discomfort occurs, discontinue
- No motor function

Advantages

- Norms available
- Written & Verbal standardised instructions
- Can be administered by a wide variety of trained examiners

Disadvantages

- Only a small area test, should not be used in isolation to assess function
- Performance on the 9-Hole Peg Test may be sensitive to practice effects
- Patients often display poorer performance when first tested due to lack of familiarity with the task





Test dominant hand first

- · Position board horizontally with rounded container next to tested hand
- Read following directions to the patient:
 - This will be a practice test. Pick up the pegs one at a time using the hand to be tested only. Place them in the holes until all nine holes are filled. Then remove all of them one at a time. The pegs can be placed in the holes in any order. This is a practice test. Are you ready?
- Begin

Administration

- If person does not understand instructions demo can be performed
- After patient completes practice test, read the following:
- This will be the actual test. Pick up the pegs one at a time using the hand to be tested only. Place them in the holes until all nine holes are filled. Then remove all of them one at a time. The pegs can be placed in the holes in any order.
- Are you ready?
- Begin
- Start stop watch as soon as person touches first peg & stop as last peg hits container
- Reposition unit on opposite side & repeat test

Male Norms									
Age	Hand	Mean	SD	SE	Low	High			
20-24	R	16.1	1.9	.35	13	22			
	L	16.8	2.2	.41	13	23			
25-29	R	16.7	1.6	.31	14	21			
	L	17.7	1.6	.31	15	21			
30-34	R	17.7	2.5	.48	14	24			
	L	18.7	2.2	.48	14	24			
35-39	R	17.9	2.4	.48	15	26			
	L	19.4	3.5	.70	14	28			
40-44	R	17.7	2.2	.43	14	22			
	L	18.9	2.0	.39	16	24			
45-49	R	18.8	2.3	.43	15	24			
	L	20.4	2.9	.55	15	27			
50-54	R	19.2	1.8	.36	15	22			
	L	20.7	2.3	.46	16	25			
55-59	R	19.2	2.6	.56	14	25			
	L	21.0	3.2	.70	17	27			
60-64	R	20.3	2.6	.54	15	25			
	L	21.0	2.5	.51	18	27			
65-69	R	20.7	2.9	.55	15	29			
	L	22.9	3.5	.67	18	30			
70-74	R	22.0	3.3	.65	17	30			
	L	23.8	3.9	.77	16	33			
75+	R	22.9	4.0	.80	17	35			
A II N A - I	L	26.4	4.8	.96	19	37			
All Male	R	19.0	3.2	.18	13	35			
Subjects	L	20.6	3.9	.22	13	37			

Female Norms									
Age	Hand	Mean	SD	SE	Low	High			
20-24	R	15.8	2.1	.41	12	22			
	L	17.2	2.4	.47	14	26			
25-29	R	15.8	2.2	.43	13	23			
	L	17.2	2.1	.40	15	25			
30-34	R	16.3	1.9	.36	13	20			
	L	17.8	2.0	.40	15	22			
35-39	R	16.4	1.6	.32	14	20			
	L	17.3	2.0	.40	15	21			
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50-54	R	18.0	2.5	.50	14	24			
55.50	L	20.1	3.0	.60	16	26			
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