Appendix 1: Running Gait Checklist

Frontal Plane: Measurements at midstance

Trunk sidebend

Description

Line from T1-S1 relative to true vertical

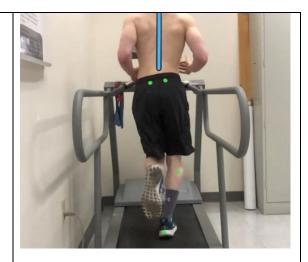
Clinical significance

- -Increased trunk motion (either direction): low back pain
- -Ipsilateral sidebend: attempt to unload lateral hip of stance limb

Scoring

Stance limb reference

- -Excessive ipsilateral
- -Mild ipsilateral
- -Appropriate (vertical)
- -Mild contralateral
- -Excessive contralateral



Example of appropriate trunk sidebend

Lateral pelvic drop

Description

Line through PSISs relative to true horizontal

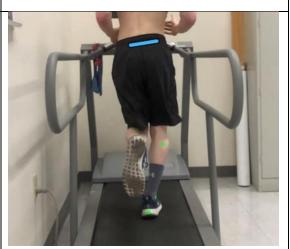
Clinical significance

-Increased contralateral pelvic drop: IT band syndrome, anterior knee pain, lateral hip pain on stance limb

Scoring

Stance limb reference

- -Appropriate (male: 3-5 degrees; female: 4-7 degrees)
- -Mild contralateral
- -Excessive contralateral



Example of mild contralateral lateral pelvic drop

Knee center position

Description

Position of knee center relative to line connecting hip and ankle centers

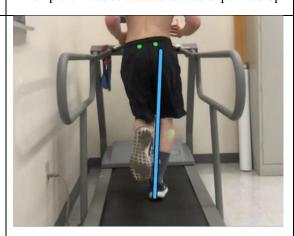
Clinical significance

-Medial/lateral position of knee: patellofemoral pain

Scoring

Stance limb reference

- -Excessive lateral
- -Mild lateral
- -Appropriate (mid-line)
- -Mild medial
- -Excessive medial



Example of excessive lateral knee center position

Knee separation

Description

Distance between medial aspect of knees

Clinical significance

- -Narrow knee distance: dynamic valgus
- -Wide knee distance: dynamic varus
- -Both related to anterior knee and hip pain

Scoring

- -Excessive narrow
- -Mild narrow
- -Appropriate (slight separation)
- -Mild wide
- -Excessive wide



Example of *mild narrow* knee separation

Foot-to-COM position

<u>Description</u> Mediolateral distance of the medial heel to a vertical line from the center of the sacrum

Clinical significance

-Crossover: medial tibial stress syndrome, IT band syndrome

Scoring

Stance limb reference

- -Excessive crossover
- -Mild crossover
- -Appropriate (medial shoe adjacent to line)
- -Mild wide
- -Excessive wide



Example of appropriate foot-to-COM position

Rear foot position

Description

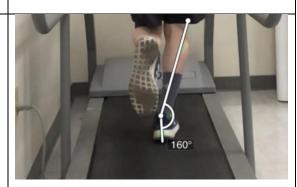
Midline of rearfoot relative to midline of the lower leg

Clinical significance

- -Increased pronation: anterior knee pain, Achilles tendinopathy, medial tibial stress syndrome, peroneal tendinopathy
- -Increased supination: bone stress injuries

Scoring

- -Excessive pronation
- -Mild pronation
- -Appropriate
- -Mild supination
- -Excessive supination



Example of rear foot *mild pronation*

Forefoot position	Scoring	
<u>Description</u>	-Excessive abduction	
Position of forefoot relative to	-Mild abduction	
heel	-Appropriate	
Clinical significance	-Mild adduction	
-Increased abduction: Achilles tendinopathy, plantar	-Excessive adduction	
fasciopathy		
-Increased adduction: bone		Example of forefoot mild abduction
stress fractures		
Heel-height symmetry	Scoring	
Description	-Left heel low	
Highest point of heel during	-Appropriate (symmetrical)	-7 # J
swing phase	-Right heel low	
Clinical significance		Example of right heel low
-Asymmetrical heel height:		
unequal power generation from lower extremities		
from lower extremities		

Sagittal Plane: All measurements are done at initial contact, except knee flexion angle and ankle dorsiflexion at midstance

Foot strike pattern	Scoring	
Description Part of foot that contacts running surface first Clinical significance -Heel strike: anterior knee pain, lower-leg injury	-Heel strike -Rearfoot strike -Midfoot strike -Forefoot strike	Example of rear foot strike pattern

Tibial inclination

Description

midline of the lower leg relative to true vertical.

Clinical significance

-Increased inclination: bone stress injures of the lower leg

Scoring

- -Appropriate (within 5 degrees of vertical)
- -Mild inclination
- -Excessive inclination



Example of tibial mild inclination

Knee flexion angle (Initial contact)

Description

Midline of thigh relative to midline of lower leg

Clinical significance

-Decreased knee flexion: over-striding, anterior knee pain, lateral hip pain

Scoring

- -Excessive decrease
- -Mild decrease
- -Appropriate (about 20 degrees knee flexion)
- -Mild increase
- -Excessive increase



Example of excessive decrease knee flexion angle

Knee flexion angle (midstance)

Description

Midline of thigh relative to midline of lower leg

Clinical significance

-Increased knee flexion: increased patellofemoral joint load, anterior knee pain

Scoring

- -Excessive decrease
- -Mild decrease
- -Appropriate (about 40 degrees of knee flexion)
- -Mild increase
- -Excessive increase



Example of *mild decrease* knee flexion angle

Ankle dorsiflexion angle

Description

Midline of lower leg relative to sole of foot

Clinical significance

-Increased inclination: Achilles tendinopathy

Scoring

- -Appropriate (20 degrees dorsiflexion)
- -Mild inclination
- -Excessive inclination



Example of appropriate ankle dorsiflexion angle

Initial contact: First contact of the shoe to the treadmill belt; *Midstance*: Instance when the swing knee is adjacent to the stance knee.