





10 Ways to Keep Employees Comfortable While Working From Home


Whether working from home on a shift basis or full-time during the coronavirus pandemic, employers should share with their employees these ten best practices.


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1 Use a sturdy chair that can be adjusted. Refrain from sitting on very soft couches and chairs as they do not support the body evenly during extended sitting.
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2 Adjust seating height, so your forearms are parallel to the floor when typing.
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3 Place a small pillow behind your lower back while sitting to maintain the natural curve of your spine.
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4 Use an external mouse and place objects — such as your phone, mouse, and printed materials — close to your body to minimize reaching.
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5 Place your feet entirely on the floor.
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6 Alternate between sitting and standing throughout the day (about every hour) to reduce excessive stress on the lower back and legs while sitting.
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7 Take short micro-breaks (approximately two minutes in length) every hour to stretch and move your body.
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8 Be careful not to overload electrical outlets to avoid fire risk.
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9 Be aware of your extension/power cords to minimize tripping hazards.
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10 Keep your laptop and equipment in a secure place after hours that can be protected from damage or theft.

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