

Appendix 3: Consent Form and Questionnaires

Participant number: _____

1. Consent Form

I consent to act as a participant in an experiment that will test "mouse-typing" ability on several versions of a screen-based keyboard. I agree to let the resulting data be used for analysis and presentation subject to the conditions below:

- only the course instructors will know the identity of participants and their data,
- data presented to the class will be stripped of my identity
- I retain the right to stop my role as subject at any time without question, and to have my data discarded.

Name: _____ Signature _____

Date: _____

2. Pre-test Questionnaire.

Place a checkmark next to the most suitable choice

A) Are you comfortable typing with a Qwerty (standard) keyboard?

____ Yes

____ No

B) Do you:

____ touch type

____ two-finger type

____ one-finger type?

C) Have you ever typed alphabetic text on an

____ alphabetic keyboard

____ a phone pad?

If so, how often and how recent? _____

D) Do you usually use a mouse when you use a computer?

____ yes

____ rarely

____ never used a mouse before

E) Is there anything we should know about that may hinder your ability to mouse-type, for example, vision problems or physical disabilities? (Don't answer this if you don't want to.)

3. During-test Questionnaire.

Which keyboard was used first? _____

Participants comments after using the first keyboard:

Participants comments after using the second keyboard:

4. Post Test Questionnaire:

Which Keyboard did you prefer? _____

Do you have any comments about either keyboard?

Investigator's comments: