Plan Your Workstation Checklist

Define the Purpose	
What is the function of the workstation?	
What tasks need to be performed?	
Determine Workflow	
How are orders/items being received?	
What is the process once items are received?	
How are orders/items exiting the station?	
How will materials be replenished?	
Inventory Items	
Tools	
Test and process equipment	
Components	
Product	
Reference materials	
Assign Priorities	
Frequency of use	
Sequence of use	
Accuracy required	
Duration of use	
Safety	
Force needed	
Convenience	
Plan the Layout	
Assign all items on the workstation inventory list to the appropriate ergonomic reach zone	
Establish workstation type: size, capacity, height adjustability	
Future considerations: adaptability to future needs	
Review Material Handling Process	
Moving material to perform the task into and out of the workstation	
Moving the product on which the task is being performed into and out of the workstation	
Material handling vehicles (carts, containers, conveyors, ball transfers)	
Conveyor routing for best material movement	
Ease of loading and unloading from conveyors. Are conveyors at the appropriate height?	
Material handling containers and tote sizes (in relation to quantities of material for the task, and weight, to eliminate heavy lifting)	
Evaluation and Review	
Monitor workstation usage for opportunities to improve	

