

# **English Longitudinal Study of Ageing**

**Wave Three Interview Questionnaire – 2006-2007**

**Draft Version 1.0 - October 2006**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PAPER VERSION OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE**

Please be aware that this is a early draft of the questionnaire, so caution should be taken when using this document. Some parts of the questionnaire still need to be improved (e.g. making the routing clearer) and checked for any inaccuracies. You may find it helpful to refer to the Wave 2 or Wave 1 questionnaires as many of the variables and the routing is the same in each wave. We hope to circulate an improved version of the Wave 3 questionnaire in early 2007.

### **Textfills**

^ - This annotation is shown before any textfills that were used in questions. The different options of the textfill are provided in square brackets e.g. [^him/her].

Unfortunately, in this version of the document some of the textfills do not appear. For variables that were in Waves 1 and/or 2, please look at the questionnaire documentation for these waves as it is very likely that the question will have stayed the same.

### **Checks**

The CAPI instrument contains a number of checks to help ensure that the information entered by the interviewer is accurate and consistent. However, these checks are not included in this version of the documentation.

### **Descriptors**

In this version of the questionnaire, some variables have a short descriptor of that variable written next to the variable name in un-bold caps.

### **Queries**

Please contact Kate Cox (k.cox@natcen.ac.uk) if you have any queries about the questionnaire.

**TIMED WALK  
MODULE  
(MM)**

*IF QInd.VAllocP = RESPONSE [QInd.VAllocP = RESPONSE]*

**MFIRST**

INTERVIEWER: This is the Measurements Questionnaire for...

- 1 Press <1> and <Enter> to continue.

**MINTDAT**

INTERVIEWER: Today's date is displayed below.

Please amend it if it's not correct.

*IF IAgeOF >= 60 [IAgeOF >= 60]*

**MMSCHS**

INTERVIEWER: Record respondent status.

- 1 Observed walking without help of another person or using support
- 2 Observed walking with help of another person or using support
- 3 Not observed - in wheelchair
- 4 Not observed - bed bound
- 5 Not observed - uncertain if respondent has impairment

*IF MmSchs <> walkunaid [MmSchs <> walkunaid]*

**MMALONE**

I would like to test whether you can walk a very short distance comfortably. (Can I just check,) are you able to walk alone without holding on to another person (using a walking stick or other aid if necessary)?

- 1 Yes
- 2 Yes but aid unavailable
- 3 No

END FILTER

*IF (MmSchs = walkunaid) OR (MmAlone = Yes) [MmSchs = walkunaid  
OR MmAlone = Yes]*

**MMHSS**

First, I would like to ask a few questions to check it is safe to carry out the test.

Do you have any problems from recent surgery, injury, or other health conditions that might prevent you from walking?

- 1 No apparent restriction
- 2 Yes, Recent surgery
- 3 Yes, Injury

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| | | | | 4 Yes, Other health condition
| | | | |
| | | | | IF MmHSS = NoRestr [MmHSS = NoRestr]
| | | | |
| | | | | MMWILL
| | | | | Are you willing to do the walking test?
| | | | | 1 Yes
| | | | | 2 No
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| | | | | IF MmWill = Yes [MmWill = Yes]
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| | | | | MMSAF
| | | | | INTERVIEWER: Do you feel that it is safe to continue with the walking
test?
| | | | | 1 Yes
| | | | | 2 No
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| | | | | END FILTER
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| | | | | END FILTER
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| | | | | END FILTER
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| | | | | IF (((((((MmHSS IN [RecSurg, Injury, Other] OR (MmHSS =
| | | | | DONTKNOW)) OR (MmHSS = REFUSAL)) OR (MmAlone IN [No,
| | | | | YesCant])) OR (MmAlone = DONTKNOW)) OR (MmAlone = REFUSAL))
| | | | | OR (MmSaf = No)) OR (MmSaf = DONTKNOW)) OR (MmSaf = REFUSAL)
| | | | | [MmHSS = RecSurg, Injury, Other OR MmHSS = DONTKNOW OR
| | | | | MmHSS = REFUSAL OR MmAlone = No, YesCant OR MmAlone =
| | | | | DONTKNOW OR MmAlone = REFUSAL OR MmSaf = No OR MmSaf =
| | | | | DONTKNOW OR MmSaf = REFUSAL]
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| | | | | MMSTOP
| | | | | INTERVIEWER: Stop test, for example saying: 'It would be safest to skip this
test and move
| | | | | on to the next set of questions.
| | | | | 1 Press <1> and <Enter> to continue.
| | | | |
| | | | | END FILTER
| | | | |
| | | | | END FILTER
| | | | |
| | | | | IF IAgeOF >= 60 [IAgeOF >= 60]
| | | | |
| | | | | IF (QMM1.Qre.MmWill = Yes) AND (QMM1.Qre.MmSaf = Yes)
| | | | | [QMM1.Qre.MmWill = Yes AND QMM1.Qre.MmSaf = Yes]
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| | | | | MMAVSP

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INTERVIEWER: Check availability of suitable space.

- 1 Suitable space available
- 2 No suitable space

*IF MmAvsp = SafeSpace [MmAvsp = SafeSpace]*

**MMWALA**

This is our walking course. I want you to walk to the other end of the course at your usual walking pace, just as if you were walking down the street to go to the shops. Walk all the way past the other end of the tape before you stop.

INTERVIEWER: Demonstrate the walk for the respondent.

(I will walk with you.)

Do you feel this would be safe?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

*IF MmWala = Yes [MmWala = Yes]*

**MMSTRT**

When I want you to start, I will say: 'Ready, begin!'

INTERVIEWER: Ask the respondent to stand with both feet together at the start of

the walking course.

When the respondent is properly positioned at the start of the walking course, say: 'Ready, begin!'

Press the start/stop button to start the

stopwatch as the respondent's foot hits the floor across the starting line.

If

possible walk behind and to the side of the respondent.

Stop timing when the

respondent's foot hits the floor after

the end of the walking course.

Enter

1 to continue.

Range: 1..1

**MMTRYA**

INTERVIEWER: Record results of first trial.

Enter time at next question.

- 1 Completed successfully
- 2 Attempted but unable to complete
- 3 Stopped by the interviewer because of safety reasons

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| | | | | 4 Respondent refused
| | | | | IF MmTrya = Success [MmTrya = Success]
| | | | | MMWLKA
| | | | | INTERVIEWER:Record time in seconds to two decimal places.
| | | | | MMWALB
| | | | | Now I want you to repeat the walk. Remember to walk at your
| | | | | usual pace, and go all the way past the other end of the course.
| | | | | 1 Press <1> and <Enter> to continue.
| | | | | MMTRYB
| | | | | INTERVIEWER:Record result of second trial.
| | | | | Enter time at next question.
| | | | | 1 Completed successfully
| | | | | 2 Attempted but unable to complete
| | | | | 3 Stopped by the interviewer because of safety reasons
| | | | | 4 Respondent refused
| | | | | IF MmTryb = Success [MmTryb = Success]
| | | | | MMWLKB
| | | | | INTERVIEWER:Record time in seconds to two decimal places.
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| | | | | END FILTER
| | | | | IF IAgeOF >= 60 [IAgeOF >= 60]
| | | | | IF (QMM2.Qre.MmTrya = Success) OR (QMM2.Qre.MmTryb = Success)
| | | | | [QMM2.Qre.MmTrya = Success OR QMM2.Qre.MmTryb = Success]
| | | | | MMPAIN
| | | | | INTERVIEWER: Code if respondent has commented on pain,
| | | | | OTHERWISE ASK: 'Did
| | | | | you have pain while you were performing the walking test?'
| | | | | 1 Yes
| | | | | 2 No

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MMRECR

INTERVIEWER: Record type of floor surface.

- 1 Linoleum/tile/ wood
- 2 Low-pile carpet
- 3 Thick-pile carpet
- 4 Concrete
- 5 Others
- 85 ONCode
- 86 Irrel

*IF MmRecR = Other [MmRecR = Other]*

MMRECRO

INTERVIEWER: Enter other type of floor surface.

String: 20

END FILTER

MMAID

INTERVIEWER: Record type of aid used.

- 1 None
- 2 Walking stick or cane
- 3 Elbow crutches
- 4 Walking frame
- 5 Others
- 85 ONCode
- 86 Irrel

*IF MmAid = Other [MmAid = Other]*

MMAIDO

INTERVIEWER: Enter other type of aid used.

String: 20

END FILTER

END FILTER

*IF NOT ((QMM2.Qre[MPNo].MmTrya = Success) AND  
/ / / / (QMM2.Qre.MmTryb = Success)) [NOT QMM2.Qre.MmTrya = Success  
/ / / / AND QMM2.Qre.MmTryb = Success]*

MMCOM

INTERVIEWER: Provide details about why the walking test was not completed

| | | | | successfully, i.e. why it was stopped for safety reasons, refused, or not completed.

| | | | | Open

| | | | | IF (MMCom = RESPONSE) AND (EditQre = Yes) [MMCom =  
/ / / / / RESPONSE AND EditQre = 1]

| | | | | **MMCOMZ**

| | | | | EDITOR: CODE FRAME 60

| | | | | MMCom :

- | | | | | 1 Unable to walk (safely)
  - | | | | | 2 Lack of space
  - | | | | | 3 Respondent refused
  - | | | | | 4 Interview not completed
  - | | | | | 5 Respondent in pain
  - | | | | | 85 Other answer - not codeable 01-05
  - | | | | | 86 Irrelevant response - not codeable 01-05
- | | | | | [code maximum 7 out of 7 possible responses]

| | | | | END FILTER

| | | | | END FILTER

| | | | | END FILTER

| | | | | IF EditQre <> Yes [EditQre <> 1]

| | | | | **MMX**

| | | | | INTERVIEWER: The Measurements Interview is finished.

| | | | | Please enter 1 here to make  
the program store the current time and date.  
Range: 1..1

| | | | | **MTHANK**

| | | | | INTERVIEWER: The Measurements Interview is finished.

- | | | | | - to return to the Individual  
Qre, press <Ctrl Enter>
- | | | | | - to start another Individual Qre, press <Ctrl Enter>
- | | | | | - to  
update the Admin details, press <Ctrl Enter>
- | | | | | 1 Press <1> and <Enter> to continue.

| | | | | END FILTER

| | | | | END FILTER