

Sloan Wall Chart Cheat Sheet

The **Sloan Wall Chart** (10 ft.) used as our best practice to measure one's distance acuity (ages 18 +)

Set Up

- Find a quiet, well-lit room with minimal distraction from outside noise.
- Ensure the 20/40 line on the Sloan wall chart is eye level to the client and tape the chart to the wall.
- Measure and mark (with masking tape) 10 feet from the wall and have the client stand with his or her **heels** on the line.
- Use alcohol wipes to clean occluder paddles between turns 3-4 times or until they dry out.

Testing Procedure: Sloan Wall Chart

1. Cover the **left** eye with the occluder to screen the **right** eye first. Be sure that the occluder paddle is touching the side of the client's nose. Do not use a hand to cover.
Note: If the client is wearing glasses, do not remove them.
2. Make sure the client's head is straight so they cannot peek around the side of the occluder and begin vision screening. **Note: Client should keep both eyes open throughout vision screening.** The paddle is simply there to cover the eye.
3. Using a pointing device of your choice (i.e., capped pen) point to one letter on a line, and move down the chart to the critical line **20/40** as quickly as possible. Do not use your finger to point.
4. If a client 'misses' a letter, confirm that they can identify 3 out of 5 letters on that line before continuing down the chart. If they do not correctly identify 3 out of 5 letters, move up one line at a time until they can correctly identify 3 out of 5 letters on a line. Make note of the lowest line they are able to obtain with that eye.
5. Cover the right eye with the occluder and repeat the process as you vision screen the left eye.
6. To pass, the client must correctly identify **3 out of 5** letters on their critical line, **20/40**, in each eye.

Note: Any sign of the ABCs (Appearance, Behavior, Complaints) is an automatic referral (even if they passed on the 20/40 line). Please make note of this on appropriate documentation.

8. Record results on appropriate documentation, noting the lowest line(s) that they are able to correctly identify 3 out of 5 letters. (i.e. 20/40, 20/63 etc.). *Adults must obtain visual acuity of 20/40 in **each eye** in order to pass the vision screening.*