WALKTHROUGH REFERENCE SHEET







Tips for the walkthrough

- Enter workstations cautiously, showing respect for workers and letting them lead the way
- Uncover possible root causes by using the "5 whys" technique
- Ask permission before taking photos during the walkthrough
- Observe general patterns and specific equipment behaviours
- Ask questions about standard procedures and about anything that seems unusual or out of the ordinary
- Record each opportunity in the opportunity tracking sheet
- Include details like location, equipment (e.g., horsepower, wattage, run-time), set points, schedules and any overrides
- ▲ Flag any missing or unclear data for follow-up
- Thank staff who took time to answer questions or provide insight

Safety reminders

- Wear required PPE at all times
- Stay in designated walkways
- · Do not write notes while walking
- · Do not touch equipment unless authorized
- · Follow all site instructions

Examples of questions to ask

- What time does the equipment need to start to meet production?
- What are the minimum / maximum setpoint requirements of the system or piece of equipment?
- What equipment can we turn off at breaks, lunch or between shifts?
- What time can we turn the equipment off after production?
- Is there wasted energy that can be recovered or reused?
- What is the overall system requirement? (e.g. operate 1 piece of equipment at 80% or 2 at 40%?)
- Have there been any complaints about the equipment or facility conditions?

TYPES OF WASTE AND EXAMPLES (COMMERCIAL)





Type of waste	Examples	What are the opportunities
Unnecessary running or idling	 Lights and office equipment left on overnight or during weekends HVAC running in unused rooms 	Turn off or dial back equipment during non-active time
Leaks	Leaky faucetsHVAC duct leaksSteam leaksPoorly sealed windows/doors	Repair or prevent leaks in compressed air, steam, water lines or building envelope
Friction loss	Dirty HVAC filtersBlocked ventsRestricted airflow through closed grilles	Clean and maintain filters, ducts and heat exchangers Check for pipe or hose restrictions or worn mechanical components
Sub-optimal efficiency	 Old lighting systems without occupancy sensors Oversized HVAC units running at full load 	 Replace existing equipment with higher-efficiency models Match system capacity to actual demand Optimize operating setpoints
Malfunctions	Thermostats reading incorrectlyBroken fan dampersControl sensors out of calibration	 Repair broken actuators, switches and valves Regularly calibrate control systems Maintain preventive maintenance schedules
System imbalance	 Simultaneous heating and cooling in a building zone Overrides causing systems to run continuously 	Ensure set points are properly set and adjusted for new conditions Check for overrides and manual modes
Misapplication	 Using compressed air for cooling staff Space heaters in already-conditioned rooms 	Find alternatives to compressed air and correct improperly-sized or ill-suited equipment
Underutilization	 Rarely used equipment kept running Lab fridges/freezers mostly empty meeting rooms always lit 	Avoid erratic scheduling, rush orders, downtime and bottlenecks Review use of existing systems
Traditional lean waste	 Manual re-entry of data Unnecessary approval steps Delivering items back and forth unnecessarily 	Reduce scraps, defects, over- processing, unnecessary movement and material handling