

Procedures for Administering Typing Tests
Burbank Employment Connection at Burbank Public Library
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As part of the suite of employment services offered through Burbank Employment Connection, members of the public may take a typing test on Burbank Public Library computers for use in recruitment. The typing test will utilize the website Typing Test Pro.

The typing test is five minutes long and asks the patron to retype text on the screen. It captures the number of words per minute the individual types, along with their error rate, in order to calculate a typing speed that can be matched to the minimum requirements of a job listing.

Guidelines

- Patrons must check in at the Information Services Desk to get an access code. Results from other typing websites will not be certified by staff.
- Patrons must take the test under their own name. Anyone unable to demonstrate their identify will not be able to obtain a certified test.
- In order to receive certification, patrons must print their results (free) and bring them, along with ID, to the Access Services Desk in order to verify identity and pay the \$7 fee.
- Each patron may make five attempts with the access code. For those who need more practice, both TypingTest.com and many other websites offer unlimited free practice tests.
- If a patron reports that they closed the browser or logged off the computer without printing their results, they will need to be directed to the Workforce Librarian or Admin, who can log into the system and provide a printed copy. There may be a delay in completing this request.

Procedure

The basic steps are:

- 1) STAFF MEMBER at the Information Services Desk provides patron with access code and directs them to the appropriate website. Please have everyone start at the desktop shortcut so we can track usage of employment services.
- 2) PATRON takes the test up to 5 times, prints best results and takes them to the Access Services Desk.
- 3) STAFF MEMBER at the Access Services Desk checks ID against name on printed results, accepts payment, and then certifies the results.

Part 1: INFORMATION SERVICES STAFF SETUP

- 1) Patron indicates at the Information Services Desk that they wish to obtain certified results for a typing test.
- 2) Information Services staff will provide the access code to the patron allowing five test attempts at TypingTestPro.com. The access code will be the same for each user and will change monthly. The current access code will be available at each Information Services Desk.

- 3) Information Services staff should set the patron up at a public computer, either with the patron's library card or a guest pass, and have them click the desktop shortcut "Job Search – Start Here," which takes them to the page burbanklibrary.org/workforce
- 4) On that page, the patron will see the link to burbank.typingtestpro.com, which they can click to get started. Patrons should always start on the Library website, not TypingTestPro directly, so use of the service can be captured completely for statistical purposes.

PATRON INSTRUCTIONS BEGIN ON THE NEXT PAGE

PART 2: PATRON TEST TAKING

- 1) Click the “Job Search – Start Here” shortcut on the computer desktop.
- 2) Click on “Take a Certified Typing Test.”
- 3) On the first screen, enter your email or phone number and the access code. Email is preferred so you can receive a copy of your results.

Typing Test Pro

Step 1 of 6 - Login to Typing Test ADMINISTRATOR LOGIN

Welcome to the Typing Test
When you are done, print results and take to the desk for certification.

This is an online typing skills test organized by Burbank Employment Connection. If you have any questions, please contact the test administrator with this [contact form](#).
Please give your email address below and click Continue.

Enter Your Email Address or Phone number

Email Address or Phone number Required
Confirm Email or Phone Number Required
Access code Required

CONTINUE

- 4) Click continue to get to the next screen and enter your first and last name. Be sure to use your official name that matches your photo ID. You will need to provide proof of ID in order to get the results certified by Library staff.

Typing Test Pro

Step 2 of 6 - Personal Information


Please enter the required information below and click the Continue button.

Please fill in your personal information

First name Required
Last name Required

CONTINUE

- 5) On the next screen, choose to start your official test, or take practice tests until you are ready. You have five opportunities to take the official test.



Step 3 of 6 - Select Test

TAKE THE TYPING TEST

This is the online typing skills test organized by Burbank Employment Connection.

If you do not want to take a practice test, simply click on "Start the test" to continue.

[START THE TEST >>](#)

Note that you may have a limited number of attempts on the real test. For this reason, we strongly recommend that you take a practice test first.

Warm Up with a Practice Test


With this practice test you can get familiar with the test environment as well as warm up for the real test.

The practice test can be taken any number of times.

In the practice test **your results are not saved** or sent to the test administrator. Note also that the test text is different than in the real test.

[TAKE A PRACTICE TEST](#)

- 6) Review the information on the following page and confirm you are ready to start. Note that as soon as you start typing in an official test, it counts as an attempt even if you do not finish the 5-minute test period.



Step 4 of 6 - Test Information

Test Information

Title	Standard Typing Test
Duration	5 min.
Required accuracy	Not in use
Required net speed	Not in use
Correcting error hits	Backspace allowed
Maximum attempts	5 attempts are allowed
Past attempts	You have made 0 attempts on this test

Notice: Starting to type on the test page will count as an attempt even if you do not complete the test (click Cancel or browser's Back button). If the max. attempts are limited, be careful not to use them up by mistake.

[START THE TEST](#)

7) Type the displayed text in the box until the time runs out.

The screenshot shows the 'Typing Test Pro' interface at 'Step 5 of 6 - Typing Test'. On the left, a text box contains the following text: 'This is a typing test. The results are words. You will type until the time runs out. Typing tests are used to qualify individuals for jobs in various settings. Often a typing test is required for work that involves data entry or transcription, such as clerical work in a variety of settings. You can practice typing tests many places online for free. Practice is the best way to get faster at typing.' Below this text is a green button that says 'Click or tap here and start typing!'. On the right, a statistics panel shows 'TIME LEFT' at 5:00, 'TYPING SPEED' at 0 wpm, and 'ERRORS' at 0 mistyped words. At the bottom left, there is a small copyright notice: 'Text: Northern Lights, Copyright: © Virtual Finland, virtual.finland.fi' and a link for 'Problems? The test doesn't show up at all | Accent letters don't show correctly'.

8) When you are done, the site will calculate your results and give you a results screen. If you wish, retake the test. When you have a result you wish to have certified, **STOP HERE TO PRINT**

The screenshot shows the 'Typing Test Pro' interface at 'Step 6 of 6 - Test Done'. A green checkmark icon is followed by the text 'Test Passed & Results Saved!'. Below this, it says 'You met the requirements set for this test and the result was saved successfully.' A section titled 'Test Results' contains a table with the following data:

Name	Burbank Typist
Date and time	8/10/2021 8:00 PM U.S. Central Time
Test title	Standard Typing Test
Duration	5:00 min.
Attempt	1 of 5 allowed attempts
Gross speed	98 wpm
Words with errors	1
Net speed	98 wpm
Accuracy	99%

At the bottom of the results section, there are two green buttons: 'RETAKE TEST' and 'NEXT'.

- 9) Once you have sent the print job, either:
 - a. Proceed to the print release station and pay 10 cents for a copy of your results
 - b. Proceed to the Information Services Desk to request staff release your results for free. You may obtain one free printed copy of your results. (Staff: See BEC printing instructions)
- 10) If you accidentally click Next before printing, you will leave the site. Use the back button to return to the page with your results. Your results will also be emailed to you if you entered an email. If you logged off the computer or closed the browser and still need your results, ask staff for assistance.
- 11) Once you have the printed results in hand, click Next to exit the site and log off the computer.
- 12) Proceed to the Access Services (checkout) desk for payment and certification.

PART 4: ACCESS SERVICES STAFF CERTIFICATION

- 1) Request the printed confirmation from the patron along with proof of ID. Library card may be used as proof of ID as well as anything accepted to obtain a library card (driver's license, etc)
- 2) Upon confirming names match, hand ID back to the patron and request the \$7 cash or check.
- 3) Ring up \$7 payment in the cash register using the TYPING TEST button, located two above the FEES button in the lower left.
- 4) Locate the Burbank Employment Connection stamp and stamp the printed confirmation.
- 5) In the spaces indicated on the stamp, write your initials and today's date as shown below.
- 6) Return the confirmation to the patron.

The screenshot shows the Typing Test Pro interface. At the top, it says "Step 6 of 6 - Test Done". Below that, a message states "Test Passed & Results Saved!" and "You met the requirements set for this test and the result was saved successfully." The "Test Results" section displays the following information:

Name	Elizabeth Goldman
Date and time	8/6/2021 4:09 PM U.S. Central Time
Test title	Demo typing test - for evaluation only
Duration	1:00 min.
Attempt	1 of 2 allowed attempts
Gross speed	96 wpm
Words with errors	0
Net speed	96 wpm
Accuracy	100%

To the right of the test results is a stamp from the City of Burbank Employment Connection. The stamp includes the text "City of Burbank Employment Connection", a signature "Ed", and the date "Date 8/24/2021". Below the date is the phone number "(818) 238 - 5580".

At the bottom of the interface, there are two buttons: "RETAKE TEST" and "EXIT TEST".

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