Functional Ability Scale

0 – Does not attempt with upper extremity (UE) being tested.

1 – UE being tested does not participate functionally; however, attempt is made to use the UE. In unilateral tasks the UE not being tested may be used to move the UE being tested.

2 – Does, but requires assistance of the UE not being tested for minor readjustments or change of position, or requires more than two attempts to complete, or accomplishes very slowly. In bilateral tasks the UE being tested may serve only as a helper.

3 – Does, but movement is influenced to some degree by synergy or is performed slowly or with effort.

4 – Does; movement is close to normal *, but slightly slower; may lack precision, fine coordination or fluidity.

5 – Does; movement appears to be normal *.

(*) For the determination of normal, the less-involved UE can be utilized as an available index for comparison, with pre-morbid UE dominance taken into consideration.