# ADULT PRE-EXERCISE SCREENING TOOL

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Name:								
Date of Birth: Male Female Date:								
STAGE 1 (COMPULSORY)								
AIM: to identify those individuals with a known disease, or signs or symptoms of disease, who may be at a higher risk of an adverse event during physical activity/exercise. This stage is self administered and self evaluated.  Please circle response								
1.	Has your doctor ever told you that you have a heart condition or have you ever suffered a stroke?	Yes	No					
2.	Do you ever experience unexplained pains in your chest at rest or during physical activity/exercise?	Yes	No					
3.	Do you ever feel faint or have spells of dizziness during physical activity/exercise that causes you to lose balance?	Yes	No					
4.	Have you had an asthma attack requiring immediate medical attention at any time over the last 12 months?	Yes	No					
5.	If you have diabetes (type I or type II) have you had trouble controlling your blood glucose in the last 3 months?	Yes	No					
6.	Do you have any diagnosed muscle, bone or joint problems that you have been told could be made worse by participating in physical activity/exercise?	Yes	No					
7.	Do you have any other medical condition(s) that may make it dangerous for you to participate in physical activity/exercise?	Yes	No					
	IF YOU ANSWERED 'YES' to any of the 7 questions, please seek guidance from your GP or appropriate allied health professional prior to undertaking physical activity/exercise							
	IF YOU ANSWERED 'NO' to all of the 7 questions, and you have no other concerns about your health, you may proceed to undertake light-moderate intensity physical activity/exercise							
I believe that to the best of my knowledge, all of the information I have supplied within this tool is correct.  Signature  Date								







EXERCISE INTENSITY GUIDELINES								
INTENSITY CATEGORY	HEART RATE MEASURES	PERCEIVED EXERTION MEASURES	DESCRIPTIVE MEASURES					
SEDENTARY	< 40% HRmax	Very, very light RPE <sup>#</sup> < 1	Activities that usually involve sitting or lying and that have little additional movement and a low energy requirement					
LIGHT	40 to <55% HRmax	Very light to light RPE# 1-2	<ul> <li>An aerobic activity that does not cause a noticeable change in breathing rate</li> <li>An intensity that can be sustained for at least 60 minutes</li> </ul>					
MODERATE	55 to <70% HRmax	Moderate to somewhat hard RPE# 3-4	<ul> <li>An aerobic activity that is able to be conducted whilst maintaining a conversation uninterrupted</li> <li>An intensity that may last between 30 and 60 minutes</li> </ul>					
VIGOROUS	70 to <90% HRmax	Hard RPE# 5-6	<ul> <li>An aerobic activity in which a conversation generally cannot be maintained uninterrupted</li> <li>An intensity that may last up to about 30 minutes</li> </ul>					
HIGH	≥ 90% HRmax	Very hard RPE <sup>#</sup> ≥ 7	An intensity that generally cannot be sustained for longer than about 10 minutes					
# = Borg's Rating of Perceived Exertion (RPE) scale, category scale 0-10								

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# STAGE 2 (OPTIONAL)

Name:		
Date of Birth: Date:		
IM: To identify those individuals with risk factors or other his stage is to be administered by a qualified exercise prof	ercise prescription.  RISK FACTORS	
1. Age Gender	≥ 45yrs Males or ≥ 55yrs Females +1 risk factor	
2. Family history of heart disease (eg: stroke, heart attack) Relative Age Relative Age Father Mother Brother Sister Son Daughter	If male < 55yrs = +1 risk factor  If female < 65yrs = +1 risk factor  Maximum of 1 risk factor for this question	
3. Do you smoke cigarettes on a daily or weekly basis or have you quit smoking in the last 6 months? Yes No If currently smoking, how many per day or week?	If yes, (smoke regularly or given up within the past 6 months) = +1 risk factor	
4. Describe your current physical activity/exercise levels:  Sedentary Light Moderate Vigorous  Frequency sessions per week  Duration minutes per week	If physical activity level < 150 min/ week = +1 risk factor  If physical activity level ≥ 150 min/ week = -1 risk factor  (vigorous physical activity/ exercise weighted x 2)	
5. Please state your height (cm) weight (kg)	BMI = BMI $\ge 30 \text{ kg/m}^2 = +1 \text{ risk factor}$	
6. Have you been told that you have high blood pressure? Yes No	If yes, = +1 risk factor	
<ol> <li>Have you been told that you have high cholesterol?</li> <li>Yes No</li> </ol>	If yes, = +1 risk factor	
8. Have you been told that you have high blood sugar? Yes No	If yes, = +1 risk factor	
Note: Refer over page for risk stratification.	STAGE 2 Total Risk Factors =	

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9. Have you spent time in hospital (including day admission) for If yes, provide details any medical condition/illness/injury during the last 12 months? Yes No 10. Are you currently taking a prescribed medication(s) If yes, what is the medical condition(s)? for any medical conditions(s)? Yes 11. Are you pregnant or have you given birth within If yes, provide details. I am the last 12 months? Yes No months pregnant or postnatal (circle). 12. Do you have any muscle, bone or joint pain or soreness that is If yes, provide details made worse by particular types of activity? Yes

### **STAGE 3 (OPTIONAL)**

AIM: To obtain pre-exercise baseline measurements of other recognised cardiovascular and metabolic risk factors. This stage is to be administered by a qualified exercise professional. (Measures 1, 2 & 3 – minimum qualification, Certificate III in Fitness; Measures 4 and 5 minimum level, Exercise Physiologist\*).

	RESULTS		RISK FACTORS	
1. BMI (kg/m²)		BMI $\geq$ 30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> = +1 risk factor		
2. Waist girth (cm)		Waist > 94 cm for men and > 80 cm for women = +1 risk factor		
3. Resting BP (mmHg)		SBP ≥140 mmHg or DBP ≥90 mmHg = +1 risk factor		
4. Fasting lipid profile*		Total cholesterol ≥ 5.20 mmol/L = +1 risk factor		
Total cholesterol		HDL cholesterol >1.55 mmol/L = -1 risk factor		
HDL		HDL cholesterol < 1.00 mmol/L = +1 risk factor		
Triglycerides		Triglycerides ≥ 1.70 mmol/L = +1 risk factor		
LDL		LDL cholesterol ≥ 3.40 mmol/L = +1 risk factor		
5 Fasting blood glucose*		Fasting glucose ≥ 5.50 mmol = +1 risk factor		
		STAGE 3 Total Risk Factors =		

### **RISK STRATIFICATION**

Total stage 2

or

Total stage 3 Plus stage 2 (Q1 - Q4)



#### ≥ 2 RISK FACTORS - MODERATE RISK CLIENTS

Individuals at moderate risk may participate in aerobic physical activity/exercise at a light or moderate intensity (Refer to the exercise intensity table on page 2)

#### < 2 RISK FACTORS – LOW RISK CLIENTS

Individuals at low risk may participate in aerobic physical activity/exercise up to a vigorous or high intensity (Refer to the exercise intensity table on page 2)

Note: If stage 3 is completed, identified risk factors from stage 2 (Q1-4) and stage 3 should be combined to indicate risk. If there are extreme or multiple risk factors, the exercise professional should use professional judgement to decide whether further medical advice is required.

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