

**American Heart Association/American College of Sports Medicine  
Health/Fitness Pre-Participation Screening Questionnaire**

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*If you marked **any of the statements in this section**, consult your physician or other appropriate healthcare provider before engaging in exercise. You may need to use a facility with a **medically qualified staff**.*

You have had:

- A heart attack
- Heart surgery
- Cardiac catheter (-ization)
- Coronary angioplasty (PTCA)
- Pacemaker/implantable cardiac defibrillator/rhythm disturbance
- Heart valve disease
- Heart failure
- Heart transplantation
- Congenital heart disease

**Other health issues:**

- You have diabetes
- You have or asthma other lung disease.
- You have burning or cramping in your lower legs when walking short distances.
- You have musculoskeletal problems that limit your physical activity.
- You have concerns about the safety of exercise.
- You take prescription medication(s).
- You are pregnant.

**Symptoms**

- You experience chest discomfort with exertion.
- You experience unreasonable breathlessness.
- You experience dizziness, fainting, blackouts.
- You take heart medications.
- Irregular heart rate (Dysrhythmias)

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**Cardiovascular risk factors** *If you marked **two or more** of the statements in this section, you should consult your physician or other appropriate healthcare provider before engaging in exercise. You might benefit by using a facility with a **professionally qualified exercise staff** to guide your exercise program.*

- You are a man older than 45 years.
- You are a woman older than 55 years, you have had a hysterectomy, or you are postmenopausal.
- You smoke, or have quit within the previous 6 months.
- Your BP is greater than 140/90.
- You don't know your BP.
- You take BP medication.
- Your blood cholesterol level is >200 mg/dL.
- You don't know your cholesterol level.
- You have a close blood relative - heart attack before age 55 (father/brother), age 65 (mother/sister).
- You are physically inactive (i.e., less than 30 min. of physical activity on at least 3 days per week).
- You are more than 20 pounds overweight.
- None of the above is true.

*You should be able to exercise safely without consulting your physician or other healthcare provider in a self-guided program or almost any facility that meets your exercise program needs.*

Balady et al. (1998). AHA/ACSM Joint Statement: Recommendations for Cardiovascular Screening, Staffing, and Emergency Policies at Health/Fitness Facilities. *Medicine & Science in Sports & Exercise*, 30(6). (Also in: ACSM's Guidelines for Exercise Testing and Prescription, 7th Edition, 2005. Lippincott Williams and Wilkins <http://www.lww.com>) [www.acsm-msse.org/pt/pt-core/template-journal/msse/media/0698c.htm](http://www.acsm-msse.org/pt/pt-core/template-journal/msse/media/0698c.htm)

Client Initials \_\_\_\_\_

## Additional Health History

**Orthopedic (injury to/pain in):**

<input type="checkbox"/> Neck or Spine	<input type="checkbox"/> Lower Back
<input type="checkbox"/> Shoulders	<input type="checkbox"/> Hips
<input type="checkbox"/> Elbows	<input type="checkbox"/> Knees
<input type="checkbox"/> Wrists	<input type="checkbox"/> Ankles
<input type="checkbox"/> Fingers	<input type="checkbox"/> Toes

**Postural:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Scoliosis	Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Lordosis	Date: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Kyphosis	Date: _____

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Other conditions:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Illness
<input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid Disorder	<input type="checkbox"/> Allergies
<input type="checkbox"/> Hernia	<input type="checkbox"/> Balance Problems
<input type="checkbox"/> Anemia	<input type="checkbox"/> Vision Problems (uncorrected)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hypoglycemia	<input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Problems
<input type="checkbox"/> Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/> Pregnancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Ankle Edema	<input type="checkbox"/> Surgeries (dates) _____

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Date of Last Physical:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Physician's Name and Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Emergency Contact:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Client

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Date

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Signature of APFITT Specialist

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Date