



The American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Risk Screening for Cardiovascular Disease

Do you or a family member have a history of cardiovascular disease?	Yes	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Cardiovascular disease or sudden death before age 55 of close male relative, i.e. father, son, brother■ Cardiovascular disease or sudden death before age 65 of close female relative, i.e. mother, sister, daughter		
Are you a current smoker, or did you quit in the last six months?	Yes	No
Has your blood pressure measured equal to or greater than 140/90 on two separate occasions?	Yes	No
Do you have high cholesterol (hypercholesterolemia)? <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Total serum cholesterol greater than 200 mg/dl or■ HDL less than 35 mg/dl or LDL greater than 130 mg/dl <i>If you have HDL cholesterol reading of greater than 60 mg/dl, that is a positive factor, which offsets a negative factor. Subtract one from your total number of "yes" answers.</i>	Yes	No
Do you have impaired fasting glucose levels, as measured on two separate occasions? <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Fasting blood glucose equal to or greater than 110 mg/dl measured on two separate occasions.	Yes	No
Are you seriously overweight? <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Body Mass Index (BMI) greater than 30 $BMI = (\text{weight in pounds} \times 703) / (\text{height in inches} \times \text{height in inches})$■ or waist larger than 100 centimeters (39 inches)	Yes	No
Do you have a sedentary lifestyle? <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ No regular physical activity (physical activity includes work around the house, yard work, walking, etc.)■ No active recreational pursuits/inactive job	Yes	No

If you answered YES to two or more risk factors above, it's important to review your answers with your personal physician before beginning a vigorous exercise program, and obtain a signed Medical Clearance Form from your physician before beginning a vigorous exercise program.

To be on the safe side, the ASCM recommends an exercise stress test for men over age 45 and women over age 55 prior to beginning a rigorous exercise program to reduce the probability that you may have undetected cardiovascular disease. Additionally, the test can provide valuable information for use in designing your exercise program.