



PAR-Q

Regular physical activity is fun and healthy, and increasingly more people are starting to become more active every day. Being more active is very safe for most people, however, some people should check with their doctor before they start becoming more physically active.

If you are planning to become much more physically active than you are now, start by answering the seven questions in the box below. If you are between the ages of 15-69, the PAR-Q will tell you if you should check with your doctor before you start. If you are over 69 years of age, and you are not used to being very active, check with your doctor.

Common sense is your best guide when you answer these questions. Please read the questions carefully and answer each one honestly: check yes or no.

- | YES | NO | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1. Has your doctor ever said that you have a heart condition and that you should only do physical activity recommended by a doctor? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 2. Do you feel pain in your chest when you do physical activity? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 3. In the past month, have you had chest pain when you were not doing physical activity? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4. Do you lose your balance because of dizziness or do you ever lose consciousness? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5. Do you have a bone or joint problem (for example back, knee or hip) that could be made worse by a change in your physical activity. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6. Is your doctor currently prescribing drugs (for example water pills) for your blood pressure or heart condition? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 7. Do you know of any other reason why you should not do physical activity? |

If you answered YES to one or more questions:

Talk to your doctor by phone or in person BEFORE you start becoming much more physically active or BEFORE you have a fitness appraisal. Tell your doctor about the PAR-Q and which questions you answered YES.

* you may be able to do any activity you want- as long as you start slowly and build up gradually. Or, you may need to restrict your activities to those which are safe for you. Talk to your doctor about the kinds of activities you wish to participate in and follow his/ her advice.

I have read, understood and completed the Par-Q. Any questions I had were answered to my full satisfaction.

X _____
Print Name

X _____
Date

X _____
Signature

X _____
Witness