

# Problem Gambling Severity Index

This self-assessment is based on the Canadian Problem Gambling Index. It will give you a good idea of whether you need to take corrective action.

## Thinking about the last 12 months...

Have you bet more than you could really afford to lose?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Still thinking about the last 12 months, have you needed to gamble with larger amounts of money to get the same feeling of excitement?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

When you gambled, did you go back another day to try to win back the money you lost?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Have you borrowed money or sold anything to get money to gamble?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Have you felt that you might have a problem with gambling?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Has gambling caused you any health problems, including stress or anxiety?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Have people criticized your betting or told you that you had a gambling problem, regardless of whether or not you thought it was true?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Has your gambling caused any financial problems for you or your household?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

Have you felt guilty about the way you gamble or what happens when you gamble?

**0** Never. **1** Sometimes. **2** Most of the time. **3** Almost always.

## TOTAL SCORE

Total your score. The higher your score, the greater the risk that your gambling is a problem.

Score of 0 = Non-problem gambling.

Score of 1 or 2 = Low level of problems with few or no identified negative consequences.

Score of 3 to 7 = Moderate level of problems leading to some negative consequences.

Score of 8 or more = Problem gambling with negative consequences and a possible loss of control.