Know Your Fertility with FERTILITY INDEX

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Fertility Index Measure for Her

	YOUR PROFILE (Please tick only one box for each risk factor)					
RISK FACTOR	1 point		2 points	3 points	Your Points	
Age	Below 30		30-34	☐ 35 and above	_	
Duration of trying to conceive (2-3x unprotected sex/week)	< 6 months		6-12 months	☐ > 12 months	_	
Smoking	No		Less than 10 cigarettes a day	☐ More than 10 cigarettes a day	_	
Drinking	No		Occasional (Not more than one drink per day)	☐ Frequent (More than one drink per day)	_	
Menstrual cycle	Regular 28-day cycle (+/- 5 days)		Regular but short cycle (≤ 21-day) or long cycle (≥ 35-day)	☐ Irregular cycle or r menstrual period	no <u>—</u>	
Bleeding between menstrual periods	No		Not more than 2 times in a year	☐ 3 times or more in a year	_	
Pain during menstrual period	No		Occasional (Not more than 2 times in a year)	☐ Frequent (3 times or more in a year)	_	
Duration of menstrual pain	No		Not more than 1 day	☐ More than 1 day	_	
Anal pain during menstruation when passing motion	No		Occasional (Not more than 2 times)	☐ Frequent (3 times or more)	_	
Pain during Intercourse (2-3x unprotected sex/week)	No		Occasional (Not more than 2 times in a month)	☐ Frequent (3 times or more in a month)	_	
Itchy or smelly vaginal discharge	No		Occasional (Not more than 2 times in a month)	☐ Frequent (3 times or more in a month)	_	
Body Mass Index (BMI)	Normal (18.5-22.9)		Slightly underweight (15-18.4) / overweight (23-27.5)	☐ Obese (≥ 27.6)	_	
Sexual history	No previous partner		1 previous partner	☐ More than 1 previous partner, or currently multiple partners		
Surgical history	No		Appendectomy or abdominal surgery	☐ Pelvic, fibroid or ovarian surgery	_	
Sexual Transmitted Diseases (STD)	No		Not sure/Suspect	☐ Confirmed	_	
Endometriosis	No		Not sure/Suspect	☐ Confirmed	_	

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	1 point	2 points	3 points Your Po	ints		
Age	☐ Below 30	□ 30-44	☐ 45 and above			
Smoking	□ No	Less than 10 cigarettes a day	☐ More than 10 cigarettes a day			
Drinking	□ No	☐ Occasional (Not more than two drinks per day)	☐ Frequent (More than two drinks per day)			
Body Mass Index (BMI)	□ Normal (18.5 - 22.9)	☐ Slightly underweight (15-18.4) / overweight (23-27.5)	☐ Obese (≥ 27.6)			
Sexual History	☐ No previous partner	☐ 1 previous partner	☐ More than 1 previous partner, or currently multiple partners			
Surgical History	□ No	☐ Abdominal surgery	☐ Surgery on Testis or Urogenital System			
Sexual Transmitted Diseases (STD)	□ No	☐ Not sure/Suspect	□ Confirmed			
Sexual Dysfunctions i.e. Erectile dysfunction or ejaculation problem (unprotected sex 2-3X/week	□ No	☐ Occasional (Not more than 2 times in a month)	☐ Frequent (3 times or more in a month)			
History of mumps after puberty	□ No	□ Not Sure	☐ Confirmed			
History of Tubercolosis	□ No	☐ Not sure	☐ Confirmed			
			Total Points			

^{*} Guidelines by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services . A standard drink is generally considered to be 12 ounces of beer, 5 ounces of wine, or 1.5 ounces of 80-proof distilled spirits. Each of these drinks contains roughly the same amount of absolute alcohol--approximately 0.5 ounce or 12 grams

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Green Zone

SCORE

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You have no risk factors. However, situation may change as fertility decreases rapidly after the age of 35.

Amber Zone

SCORE



You have some risk factors which may affect your fertility. You may want to change your lifestyle habits such as smoking which may have an impact on your fertility. Do not take fertility for granted. Remember, female fertility decreases rapidly after the age of 35.

Red Zone

SCORE



You have many risk factors that would reduce your fertility. You have to change your lifestyle such as stop smoking, reduce your body weight with regular exercise or seek gynaecological opinion regarding menstrual abnormalities and vaginal discharge.

SCORE

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You have no risk factors. However, situation may change as fertility decreases rapidly after the age of 45

SCORE

You have some risk factors which may affect your fertility. Live a healthy lifestyle, reduce your body weight with regular exercise and stop smoking may help restore your fertility. Do not take fertility for granted.

Remember, male fertility decreases rapidly after the age of 45.

SCORE

You have many risk factors that would reduce your fertility. You may need to seek medical opinion regarding your sexual dysfunctions. Live a healthy lifestyle, reduce your body weight with regular exercise; stop smoking and drinking may help.

COMBINED SCORE

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You have no risk factors. Keep trying to conceive for about a year and monitor your fertility as situation may change with advancing age. If you still do not conceive after a year, please seek medical help.

COMBINED SCORE

You have some risk factors which may affect your fertility. If you have been trying to conceive for 6 months without any result, please seek medical help. Your doctor may be able to give you some guidance and recommend appropriate action.

COMBINED SCORE

You have many risk factors which may make it difficult for you to conceive. Please see your doctor early for further investigations.

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