

## Instructions for Completing the Scoring Worksheet and Summary Sheet

(See chapter 6 of the *CTS Handbook* for a detailed scoring example.)

### Scoring Worksheet

Perform each of the following steps separately for "Self" items (odd-numbered item responses) that describe the respondent's behavior and for "Partner" items (even-numbered responses) that describe the behavior of the respondent's partner. Self and Partner scores are not added together.

For each item, transfer the circled response value to the box printed in the row beside it *or* make a check mark in the box if the respondent chose response option 7: "Not in the past year, but it happened before." (On the Worksheet this response is coded "L" for "Lifetime, but not in the past year.") If both a non-zero frequency and "L" response have been given, enter the non-zero frequency. Add the response values for each CTS2 scale and enter the result in the space labeled *Raw Score (Past Year) Total* at the bottom of the Worksheet. Tally the number of "L" responses indicated by the check marks you have made for each scale and enter the result in the space labeled *Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year Tally*.

### Summary Sheet

For each scale, transfer the raw score from the Worksheet to the appropriate space under the "Past Year" header on the Summary Sheet. Then transfer the *Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year Tally* to the corresponding space. Make a mark that represents the corresponding value on the graphic scale printed beside the space for the raw score.

Finally, circle the numbers on the Summary Sheet that correspond with the items that have been endorsed in each cluster on each scale.

If you have identified a comparison sample and comparison average scores, record them in the space provided on the Summary Sheet. The averages for the college student comparison sample provided in chapter 5 of the *Conflict Tactics Scales Handbook* are also reproduced on the Summary Sheet.



## The Revised Conflict Tactics Scale (CTS2) (for Couples)

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### Relationship Behaviors

No matter how well a couple gets along, there are times when they disagree, get annoyed with the other person, want different things from each other, or just have spats or fights because they are in a bad mood, are tired, or for some other reason. Couples also have many different ways of trying to settle their differences. This is a list of things that might happen when you have differences. Please circle how many times you did each of these things in the past year, and how many times your partner did them in the past year. If you or your partner did not do one of these things in the past year, but it happened before that, circle "7."

#### How often did this happen?

- |                                 |                                                    |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 1 = Once in the past year       | 5 = 11–20 times in the past year                   |
| 2 = Twice in the past year      | 6 = More than 20 times in the past year            |
| 3 = 3–5 times in the past year  | 7 = Not in the past year, but it did happen before |
| 4 = 6–10 times in the past year | 0 = This has never happened                        |

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----|
| 1. I showed my partner I cared even though we disagreed.            | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 2. My partner showed care for me even though we disagreed.          | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 3. I explained my side of a disagreement to my partner.             | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 4. My partner explained his or her side of a disagreement to me.    | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 5. I insulted or swore at my partner.                               | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 6. My partner did this to me.                                       | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 7. I threw something at my partner that could hurt.                 | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 8. My partner did this to me.                                       | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 9. I twisted my partner's arm or hair.                              | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 10. My partner did this to me.                                      | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |
| 11. I had a sprain, bruise, or small cut because of a fight with my | 1 2 3 4 5 6 | 7 0 |

partner.		
12. My partner had a sprain, bruise, or small cut because of a fight with me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>13. I showed respect for my partner's feelings about an issue.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>14. My partner showed respect for my feelings about an issue.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
15. I made my partner have sex without a condom.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
16. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>17. I pushed or shoved my partner.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>18. My partner did this to me.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
19. I used force (like hitting, holding down, or using a weapon) to make my partner have oral or anal sex.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
20. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>21. I used a knife or gun on my partner.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>22. My partner did this to me.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
23. I passed out from being hit on the head by my partner in a fight.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
24. My partner passed out from being hit on the head in a fight with me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>25. I called my partner fat or ugly.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>26. My partner called me fat or ugly.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
27. I punched or hit my partner with something that could hurt.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
28. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>29. I destroyed something belonging to my partner.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>30. My partner did this to me.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
31. I went to a doctor because of a fight with my partner.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
32. My partner went to a doctor because of a fight with me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>33. I choked my partner.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>34. My partner did this to me.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
35. I shouted or yelled at my partner.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
36. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>37. I slammed my partner against a wall.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>38. My partner did this to me.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
39. I said I was sure we could work out a problem.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
40. My partner was sure we could work it out.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>41. I needed to see a doctor because of a fight with my partner, but I didn't.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>42. My partner needed to see a doctor because of a fight with me, but didn't.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
43. I beat up my partner.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
44. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
<b>45. I grabbed my partner.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
<b>46. My partner did this to me.</b>	<b>1 2 3 4 5 6</b>	<b>7 0</b>
47. I used force (like hitting, holding down, or using a weapon) to make my partner have sex.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
48. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0

49. <b>I stomped out of the room or house or yard during a disagreement.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
50. <b>My partner did this to me.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
51. I insisted on sex when my partner did not want to (but did not use physical force).	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
52. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
53. <b>I slapped my partner.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
54. <b>My partner did this to me.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
55. I had a broken bone from a fight with my partner.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
56. My partner had a broken bone from a fight with me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
57. <b>I used threats to make my partner have oral or anal sex.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
58. <b>My partner did this to me.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
59. I suggested a compromise to a disagreement.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
60. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
61. <b>I burned or scalded my partner on purpose.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
62. <b>My partner did this to me.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
63. I insisted my partner have oral or anal sex (but did not use physical force).	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
64. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
65. <b>I accused my partner of being a lousy lover.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
66. <b>My partner accused me of this.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
67. I did something to spite my partner.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
68. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
69. <b>I threatened to hit or throw something at my partner.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
70. <b>My partner did this to me.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
71. I felt physical pain that still hurt the next day because of a fight with my partner.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
72. My partner still felt physical pain the next day because of a fight we had.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
73. <b>I kicked my partner.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
74. <b>My partner did this to me.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
75. I used threats to make my partner have sex.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
76. My partner did this to me.	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
77. <b>I agreed to try a solution to a disagreement my partner suggested.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0
78. <b>My partner agreed to try a solution I suggested.</b>	1 2 3 4 5 6	7 0

Scores	Raw Scores (Past Year) Total	Lifetime, But Not in the Past year Tally
Negotiation (Self Items 1,3,13,39,59,77; Partner Items,2,4,14,40,60,78)	S ____/P ____	S ____/P ____
Physical Aggression (Red) (Self Items 5,25,29,35,49,65,67,69; Partner Items 6,26, 30,36,50,66,68,70)	S ____/P ____	S ____/P ____
Physical Assault (Green) (Self Items 7,9, 17,21,27, 33, 37, 43,45,53,61,73; Partner Items 8,10 ,18,22,28,34,38,44,46,54,62,74)	S ____/P ____	S ____/P ____
Injury (Purple) (Self Items 11, 23,31,41,55,71; Partner Items 12,24, 32,42,56,72)	S ____/P ____	S ____/P ____
Sexual Coercion (Blue) (Self Items 15,19,47,51,57,63,75; Partner Items 16, 20,48,52,58,64,76)	S ____/P ____	S ____/P ____

Odds score for Questions are for test taker,  
Evens are for your Partner.

Step one convert numbers to scores

- 1=1
- 2=2
- 3=4
- 4=8
- 5=15
- 6=25
- 7=L
- 0=0

Uses these as raw score for scales



## CTS2 Summary Sheet

Client Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Partner ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

"Other" Comparison Sample:

For each scale, enter the raw scores in the corresponding spaces and mark the value on the chart to the right of the space. Provide the information requested for the "Past Year" items endorsed by the respondent (response options 1 to 6 on the AutoScore™ Form) and the "Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year" items (response option 7).

### Negotiation

All Negotiation items describe behaviors that, when used appropriately, are considered to represent strengths. When any Negotiation item is endorsed, the respondent should be encouraged to continue appropriate use of the corresponding conflict resolution strategy.

#### Past Year

Raw Score

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/150 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120 130 140 150

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/150 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120 130 140 150

Number of items endorsed for the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Item numbers endorsed for the past year (circle):

Self: *Emotional:* 1 13 39      Partner: *Emotional:* 2 14 40  
*Cognitive:* 3 59 77                      *Cognitive:* 4 60 78

#### Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year

Number of items endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Item numbers endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year (circle):

Self: *Emotional:* 1 13 39      Partner: *Emotional:* 2 14 40  
*Cognitive:* 3 59 77                      *Cognitive:* 4 60 78

College Student Average Scores*		Other Sample
Men	Women	
61.6	69.7	_____
38.5	38.8	_____
100%	98%	_____
57.4	67.1	_____
35.5	39.7	_____
100%	99%	_____

### Psychological Aggression

#### Past Year

Raw Score

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/200 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 ≥75

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/200 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 ≥75

Number of items endorsed for the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/8 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/8 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Item numbers endorsed for the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 5 35 49 67      Partner: *Minor* 6 36 50 68  
*Severe* 25 29 65 69                      *Severe* 26 30 66 70

#### Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year

Number of items endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/8 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/8 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Item numbers endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 5 35 49 67      Partner: *Minor* 6 36 50 68  
*Severe* 25 29 65 69                      *Severe* 26 30 66 70

College Student Average Scores*		Other Sample
Men	Women	
15.1	16.0	_____
17.4	18.8	_____
74%	83%	_____
17.2	15.1	_____
21.1	18.5	_____
76%	78%	_____

REMOVE THIS SHEET BEFORE COMPLETING FORM



All CTS2 items except for those on the Psychological Aggression and Negotiation subscales are considered "critical" items. Whenever possible, careful follow-up inquiry should be pursued when any CTS2 item other than those on the Negotiation or Psychological Aggression subscale is endorsed.

### Physical Assault

**Past Year**

Raw Score

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/300 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 ≥75

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/300 0 5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 ≥75

Number of items endorsed for the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/12 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/12 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Item numbers endorsed for the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 7 9 17 45 53      Partner: *Minor* 8 10 18 46 54  
*Severe* 21 27 33 37 43 61 73      *Severe* 22 28 34 38 44 62 74

**Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year**

Number of items endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/12 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/12 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12

Item numbers endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 7 9 17 45 53      Partner: *Minor* 8 10 18 46 54  
*Severe* 21 27 33 37 43 61 73      *Severe* 22 28 34 38 44 62 74

College Student Average Scores*		Other Sample
Men	Women	
12.9	9.4	_____
21.6	15.4	_____
47%	35%	_____
15.9	9.3	_____
25.8	18.0	_____
49%	31%	_____

### Injury

**Past Year**

Raw Score:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/150 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120 130 140 150

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/150 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120 130 140 150

Number of items endorsed for the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Item numbers endorsed for the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 11 71      Partner: *Minor* 12 72  
*Severe* 23 31 41 55      *Severe* 24 32 42 56

**Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year**

Number of items endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6

Item numbers endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 11 71      Partner: *Minor* 12 72  
*Severe* 23 31 41 55      *Severe* 24 32 42 56

College Student Average Scores*		Other Sample
Men	Women	
25.1	3.6	_____
37.8	6.8	_____
15%	9%	_____
24.7	6.2	_____
41.7	11.6	_____
16%	14%	_____

### Sexual Coercion

**Past Year**

Raw Score:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/175 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 ≥110

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/175 0 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 ≥110

Number of items endorsed for the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/7 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/7 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Item numbers endorsed for the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 15 51 63      Partner: *Minor* 16 52 64  
*Severe* 19 47 57 75      *Severe* 20 48 58 76

**Lifetime, But Not in the Past Year**

Number of items endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year:

Self: \_\_\_\_\_/7 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Partner: \_\_\_\_\_/7 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Item numbers endorsed for lifetime, but not the past year (circle):

Self: *Minor* 15 51 63      Partner: *Minor* 16 52 64  
*Severe* 19 47 57 75      *Severe* 20 48 58 76

College Student Average Scores*		Other Sample
Men	Women	
19.9	12.6	_____
31.4	15.8	_____
37%	18%	_____
18.5	11.8	_____
30.2	14.4	_____
38%	30%	_____

\*Values are means and standard deviations (in italics) for the college student reference sample described in chapter 5 of the CTS Handbook. Tables 11 and 12. Averages for each scale were computed only for those respondents who endorsed at least one item on the scale. Percentages are endorsement rates in the college student reference sample.