

LONG PROBLEMATIC PORNOGRAPHY CONSUMPTION SCALE - 18Q



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The Problematic Pornography Consumption Scale offers a guide, not a strict rule, for measuring whether your porn use is a problem. Like any test of this sort, it's a little arbitrary in setting a score for what qualifies as a "problem." In other words, whether or not you score 76 below, if your porn use is interfering with your life, and you've tried to stop and can't, there is help for you

Problematic Pornography Consumption Scale

Based on Bothe, et al., The Development of the Problematic Pornography Consumption Scale (PPCS), The Journal of Sex Research, published online 06 Mar 2017 (available here).

Answer the following questions, rating them by how much you feel they apply to you from 1 to 7, where:

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1 = \text{never}, 2 = \text{rarely}, 3 = \text{occasionally}, 4 = \text{sometimes}, 5 = \text{often}, 6 = \text{very often}, 7 = \text{all the time}
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- 1. I felt that porn is an important part of my life
- 2. I used porn to restore the tranquillity of my feelings
- 3. I felt porn caused problems in my sexual life
- 4. I felt that I had to watch more and more porn for satisfaction
- 5. I unsuccessfully tried to reduce the amount of porn I watch
- 6. I became stressed when something prevented me from watching porn
- 7. I thought about how good it would be to watch porn
- 8. Watching porn got rid of my negative feelings
- 9. Watching porn prevented me from bringing out the best in me
- 10. I felt that I needed more and more porn in order to satisfy my needs
- 11. When I vowed not to watch porn any more, I could only do it for a short period of time
- 12. I became agitated when I was unable to watch porn
- 13. I continually planned when to watch porn
- 14. I released my tension by watching porn
- 15. I neglected other leisure activities as a result of watching porn
- 16. I gradually watched more 'extreme' porn, because the porn I watched before was less satisfying
- 17. I resisted watching porn for only a little while before I relapsed
- 18. I missed porn greatly when I didn't watch it for a while
- 19. Add the scores for all the questions together. A score of 76 or higher suggests problematic levels of pornography use.