



JOIN US FOR 16 NIGHTS OF
FUN, FRESH AIR & FITNESS

**FALL 4-WEEK FITNESS
CHALLENGE**

Do it...You'll be glad you did!

Be determined to get fit!

16 Nights in September 2010 Cowichan Sportsplex 6-7 pm

REGISTRATION FORM

CONTACT INFORMATION (please print clearly)

NAME:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

EMERGENCY CONTACT:

PHONE:

RELATIONSHIP:

Is this a complimentary Entry? If yes, provide Medal Sponsors Name:

*Participants must be 16 years of age as of Jan/2010.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment Amount: Fall 2010 \$95 per person

Payment Method: Select one ✓

Cheque (please make cheques payable to Cowichan Sportsplex) Cash

Mastercard VISA Card # Expiry Date:

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PARTICIPANT WAIVER

In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and representatives, agree to release, indemnify, and discharge Cowichan Sportsplex, their agents, owners, officers, volunteers, participants, employees and all other persons or entities acting in any capacity on their behalf (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Sportsplex"), as follows:

- 1. I acknowledge that the activities of the event involve the potential risk of serious injury or property damage to myself, to property, or to third parties.
- 2. I expressly agree and promise to accept and assume full responsibility for any risk of bodily injury, death or property damage arising out of or related to the event whether caused by the negligence of Sportsplex or otherwise. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary, and I elect to participate in spite of any risks.
- 3. I hereby voluntarily release, forever discharge, and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Sportsplex from any and all claims, demands, or causes of action, which are in any way connected with my participation in this activity or my use of Sportsplex equipment or facilities, including any such claims which allege negligent acts or omissions of Sportsplex.
- 4. I certify that I have adequate insurance to cover any injury or damage I may cause or suffer while participating, or in the alternative, I agree to assume responsibility for and bear the costs of such injury or damage. I further certify that I have no mental or physical conditions which could interfere with my safety in this activity or my ability to perform this activity.
- 5. I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read and understood it, and I agree to be bound by its terms.

MEDICAL INFORMATION

YOUR PHYSICIAN:

YOUR PHYSICIAN'S PHONE NUMBER:

WHAT IS YOUR FITNESS LEVEL? Beginner Intermediate Advanced

Does your physician know you are participating in this exercise program? Yes No

What, if any, exercises have you been told to avoid? None Explain _____

Have you read, filled out and signed the PAR-Q form provided by Health Canada and the Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology? Yes No

Did you answer "No" to all of the PAR-Q questions? Yes No

I have had my blood pressure evaluated and my reading is below 144/94 Yes No
questions I answered yes to. I have received my doctor's permission to participate in the 4 week fitness challenge Yes Initial

I have had sufficient opportunity to read this entire document. I have read it, I understand it and I agree to be bound by its terms. I have answered all the questions truthfully. I understand that there are inherent risks involved in exercise and this is my informed consent to participate.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Witness: _____

PAR-Q & YOU

(A Questionnaire for People Aged 15 to 69)

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 much 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 and 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	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Has your doctor ever said that you have a heart condition <u>and</u> 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 <u>any other reason</u> why you should not do physical activity?

If
you
answered

YES to one or more questions

Talk with 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 with your doctor about the kinds of activities you wish to participate in and follow his/her advice.
- Find out which community programs are safe and helpful for you.

NO to all questions

If you answered NO honestly to all PAR-Q questions, you can be reasonably sure that you can:

- start becoming much more physically active — begin slowly and build up gradually. This is the safest and easiest way to go.
- take part in a fitness appraisal — this is an excellent way to determine your basic fitness so that you can plan the best way for you to live actively. It is also highly recommended that you have your blood pressure evaluated. If your reading is over 144/94, talk with your doctor before you start becoming much more physically active.

DELAY BECOMING MUCH MORE ACTIVE:

- if you are not feeling well because of a temporary illness such as a cold or a fever — wait until you feel better; or
- if you are or may be pregnant — talk to your doctor before you start becoming more active.

PLEASE NOTE: If your health changes so that you then answer YES to any of the above questions, tell your fitness or health professional. Ask whether you should change your physical activity plan.

Informed Use of the PAR-Q: The Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology, Health Canada, and their agents assume no liability for persons who undertake physical activity, and if in doubt after completing this questionnaire, consult your doctor prior to physical activity.

No changes permitted. You are encouraged to photocopy the PAR-Q but only if you use the entire form.

NOTE: If the PAR-Q is being given to a person before he or she participates in a physical activity program or a fitness appraisal, this section may be used for legal or administrative purposes.

"I have read, understood and completed this questionnaire. Any questions I had were answered to my full satisfaction."

NAME _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT _____

WITNESS _____

or GUARDIAN (for participants under the age of majority)

Note: This physical activity clearance is valid for a maximum of 12 months from the date it is completed and becomes invalid if your condition changes so that you would answer YES to any of the seven questions.



PAR-Q & YOU

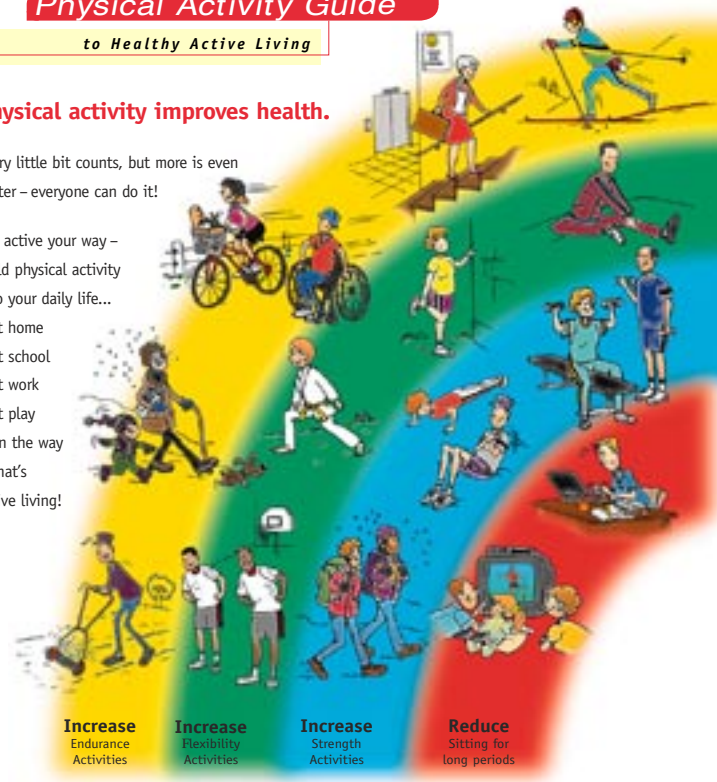
CANADA'S  **Physical Activity Guide**
to Healthy Active Living

Physical activity improves health.

Every little bit counts, but more is even better – everyone can do it!

Get active your way – build physical activity into your daily life...

- at home
 - at school
 - at work
 - at play
 - on the way
- ...that's active living!



- Increase** Endurance Activities
- Increase** Flexibility Activities
- Increase** Strength Activities
- Reduce** Sitting for long periods

Choose a variety of activities from these three groups:

Endurance
4-7 days a week
Continuous activities for your heart, lungs and circulatory system.

Flexibility
4-7 days a week
Gentle reaching, bending and stretching activities to keep your muscles relaxed and joints mobile.

Strength
2-4 days a week
Activities against resistance to strengthen muscles and bones and improve posture.

Starting slowly is very safe for most people. Not sure? Consult your health professional.

For a copy of the *Guide Handbook* and more information: **1-888-334-9769**, or www.paguide.com

Eating well is also important. Follow *Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating* to make wise food choices.

Get Active Your Way, Every Day – For Life!

Scientists say accumulate 60 minutes of physical activity every day to stay healthy or improve your health. As you progress to moderate activities you can cut down to 30 minutes, 4 days a week. Add-up your activities in periods of at least 10 minutes each. Start slowly... and build up.

Time needed depends on effort				
Very Light Effort	Light Effort	Moderate Effort	Vigorous Effort	Maximum Effort
60 minutes	30-60 minutes	20-30 minutes	20-30 minutes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strolling • Dusting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light walking • Volleyball • Easy gardening • Stretching 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brisk walking • Biking • Raking leaves • Swimming • Dancing • Water aerobics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aerobics • Jogging • Hockey • Basketball • Fast swimming • Fast dancing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sprinting • Racing
Range needed to stay healthy				

You Can Do It – Getting started is easier than you think

Physical activity doesn't have to be very hard. Build physical activities into your daily routine.

- Walk whenever you can – get off the bus early, use the stairs instead of the elevator.
- Reduce inactivity for long periods, like watching TV.
- Get up from the couch and stretch and bend for a few minutes every hour.
- Play actively with your kids.
- Choose to walk, wheel or cycle for short trips.
- Start with a 10 minute walk – gradually increase the time.
- Find out about walking and cycling paths nearby and use them.
- Observe a physical activity class to see if you want to try it.
- Try one class to start – you don't have to make a long-term commitment.
- Do the activities you are doing now, more often.

Benefits of regular activity: Health risks of inactivity:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • better health • improved fitness • better posture and balance • better self-esteem • weight control • stronger muscles and bones • feeling more energetic • relaxation and reduced stress • continued independent living in later life | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • premature death • heart disease • obesity • high blood pressure • adult-onset diabetes • osteoporosis • stroke • depression • colon cancer |
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Source: Canada's Physical Activity Guide to Healthy Active Living, Health Canada, 1998 <http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hppb/paguide/pdf/guideEng.pdf>

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FITNESS AND HEALTH PROFESSIONALS MAY BE INTERESTED IN THE INFORMATION BELOW:

The following companion forms are available for doctors' use by contacting the Canadian Society for Exercise Physiology (address below):

The **Physical Activity Readiness Medical Examination (PARmed-X)** – to be used by doctors with people who answer YES to one or more questions on the PAR-Q.

The **Physical Activity Readiness Medical Examination for Pregnancy (PARmed-X for Pregnancy)** – to be used by doctors with pregnant patients who wish to become more active.

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