



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LETHALITY SCREEN FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence

(SPANISH)

When to Initiate a Lethality Assessment? When an intimate relationship is involved; **AND** You believe an assault has occurred, You sense the potential for danger is high, Names of parties or location are repeat names or locations, **OR** You simply believe one should be done.

LAP-Line #:

Officer:	Dept./Town:	Date:
Victim:	Offender:	Case #:

Victim has been informed that any responses to the following questions could be used in the criminal or civil court process.

Check here if victim declined to be screened.

▶ **A "Yes" response to any of Questions #1-3 automatically triggers the High-Danger referral.**

1. ¿Ha utilizado alguna vez un arma contra usted o le ha amenazado con un arma? Yes No Not Ans.

2. ¿Ha amenazado con matarle a usted o a sus hijos? Yes No Not Ans.

3. ¿Cree que él/ella podría intentar matarle? Yes No Not Ans.

▶ **Negative responses to Questions #1-3, but positive responses to at least four of Questions #4-11, trigger the High-Danger referral.**

4. ¿Tiene él/ella un arma o puede conseguirla fácilmente? Yes No Not Ans.

5. ¿Alguna vez ha intentado él/ella estrangularte? Yes No Not Ans.

6. ¿Es violento/a o está constantemente celoso/a o controla la mayoría de sus actividades diarias? Yes No Not Ans.

7. ¿Le ha dejado usted o se han separado después de vivir juntos o de estar casados? Yes No Not Ans.

8. ¿Está él/ella desempleado/a? Yes No Not Ans.

9. ¿Alguna vez ha intentado él/ella suicidarse? Yes No Not Ans.

10. ¿Tiene usted un hijo que él/ella sepa que no es suyo? Yes No Not Ans.

11. ¿Le sigue o le espía a usted o le deja mensajes amenazadores? Yes No Not Ans.

▶ **An officer may trigger the High-Danger referral, if not already triggered above, as a result of the victim's response to the below question, or whenever the officer believes the victim is in a potentially lethal situation.**

¿Hay algo más que le preocupe acerca de su seguridad? (Si contesta "sí") ¿Qué le preocupa?

Check one: **Victim is High-Danger based on score**
 Victim is High-Danger based on officer belief
 Victim is not assessed as High-Danger

High Danger Screen, call the LAP-Line with victim

Officer called LAP-Line with victim present

If victim screened High-Danger: Did the victim speak with the LAP-Line advocate?

Yes No

Advocate First Name:

Officer's Signature: _____ **Supervisor's Signature:** _____

Note: The questions above and the criteria for determining the level of risk a person faces is based on the best available research on factors associated with lethal violence by a current or former intimate partner. However, each situation may present unique factors that influence risk for lethal violence that are not captured by this screen. Although most victims who screen "positive" or "high danger" would not be expected to be killed, these victims face much higher risk than that of other victims of intimate partner violence.

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