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## SCORING: E-CIGARETTE DEPENDENCE INDEX

**1. How many times per day do you usually use your electronic cigarette? (assume one “time” consists of around 15 puffs, or lasts around 10 minutes) ([reference](#))**

- 0-4 times/day = 0
- 5-9 = 1
- 10-14 = 2
- 15-19 = 3
- 20-29 = 4
- 30 or more = 5

**On days that you can use your electronic cigarette freely, how soon after you wake up do you first use your electronic cigarette? ([reference](#))**

- Less than 5 minutes = 5
- 6-15 minutes = 4
- 16-30 minutes = 3
- 31-60 minutes = 2
- 61-120 minutes = 1
- More than 121 minutes = 0

**3. Do you sometimes awaken at night to use your electronic cigarette? ([reference](#))**

- Yes = 1
- No = 0

**4. If yes, how many nights per week do you typically awaken to do so? ([reference](#))**

- 0-1 nights = 0
- 2-3 nights = 1
- 4 or more nights = 2

**5. Do you use an electronic cigarette now because it is really hard to quit? ([reference](#))**

- Yes = 1
- No = 0

**6. Do you ever have strong cravings to use an electronic cigarette? ([reference](#))**

- Yes = 1
- No = 0

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**7. Over the past week, how strong have the urges to use an electronic cigarette been?** ([reference](#))

- None/Slight = 0
- Moderate/Strong= 1
- Very Strong/Extremely Strong = 2

**8. Is it hard to keep from using an electronic cigarette in places where you are not supposed to?** ([reference](#))

- Yes = 1
- No = 0

**9. (When you haven't used an electronic cigarette for a while or when you tried to stop using one:) Did you feel more irritable because you couldn't use an electronic cigarette?** ([reference](#))

- Yes = 1
- No = 0

**10. Did you feel nervous, restless, or anxious because you couldn't use an electronic cigarette?** ([reference](#))

- Yes = 1
- No = 0

## RESULTS

- 0-3 = not dependent
- 4-8 = low dependence
- 9-12 = medium dependence
- 13 or more = high dependence

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