Sexual Addiction Screening Test (SAST)

- 1. Were you sexually abused as a child or adolescent?
- 2. Do you regularly purchase romance novels or sexually explicit magazines?
- 3. Have you stayed in romantic relationships after they became emotionally or physically abusive?
- 4. Do you often find yourself preoccupied with sexual thoughts or romantic daydreams?
- 5. Do you feel that your sexual behavior is normal?
- 6. Does your spouse (or significant other/s) ever worry or complain about your sexual behavior?
- 7. Do you have trouble stopping your sexual behavior when you know it is inappropriate?
- 8. Do you ever feel bad about your sexual behavior?
- 9. Has your sexual behavior ever created problems for you and your family?
- 10. Have you ever sought help for sexual behavior you did not like?
- 11. Have you ever worried about people finding out about your sexual activities?
- 12. Has anyone been hurt emotionally because of your sexual behavior?
- 13. Have you ever participated in sexual activity in exchange for gifts?
- 14. Do you have times when you act out sexually followed by periods of celibacy (no sex al all)?
- 15. Have you made efforts to quit a type of sexual activity and failed?
- 16. Do you hide some of your sexual behavior from others?
- 17. Do you find yourself having multiple romantic relationships the same time?
- 18. Have you ever felt degraded by your sexual behavior?
- 19. Have sex or romantic fantasies been a way for you to escape your problems?
- 20. When you have sex, do you feel depressed afterwards?
- 21. Do you regularly engage in sadomasochistic behavior?

- 22. Has your sexual activity interfered with your family life?
- 23. Have you been sexual with minors?
- 24. Do you feel controlled by your sexual desire or fantasies of romance?
- 25. Do you ever think your sexual desire is stronger than you are?

If you answered one to three questions "yes", this may be an area of concern and should be openly discussed with a friend or family member.

If more than three answers were "yes", this would indicate the need to consider more professional consultation and consideration of a 12-step support program.

If 6 or more true answers are "yes", this clearly represents a problem with potentially self abusive and/or dangerous consequences and indicates that you should seek treatment.

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