SPQ*GOLD®
The Call Reluctance® Scale

Sales Development Report
for

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Strictly confidential
All measurements are inexact. Some errors are made by the most technically advanced measurement instruments. Formally constructed, rigorously developed instruments are technically sophisticated measurement devices, and as such, are also subject to error. The test upon which this SPQ*GOLD® Sales Development Report is based is no exception. Although it represents a long tradition of research and development, it still remains vulnerable to error. Therefore, well-intentioned managers will use the results wisely . . . as training and development hypotheses, and not as hard-and-fast impersonal conclusions to be imposed upon the lives and careers of other people.
**Section 1: Sales Call Reluctance® Overview**

**Prospecting Brake™: 25**

Capule Summary: Hesitation to initiate contact in a variety of situations. This could translate into job-related emotional distress, and an insufficient number of contacts to sustain personal or career objectives.

Management Tips: Contact initiation for self-promotional or sales prospecting purposes should be much easier for this individual than for the typical salesperson. Call reluctance® is not a problem at the present time.

PROSPECTING BRAKE™ CODE: GREEN

Outlook: Review individual types for specific outlooks.

**Prospecting Accelerator™: 75**

Capule Summary: Tendency to initiate contact in a variety of situations. This could translate into a sufficient number of contacts to sustain personal or career objectives.

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Outlook: Review individual types for specific outlooks.
Section 2: Sales Call Reluctance® Types

Doomsayer SalesCR™: 0

Capsule Summary: Slow to take risks, invests considerable energy in anticipating and worrying about low probability catastrophes.

Management Tips: This individual is less inclined to suffer from Doomsayer SalesCR™ Call Reluctance®.

DOOMSAVER SalesCR™ CODE: GREEN

Outlook: Very difficult to prevent and correct.

Over-Preparer SalesCR™: 33

Capsule Summary: Always preparing, organizing and getting ready to prospect. Tends to over-analyze and underact.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual may occasionally become over-invested in preparing to prospect at the expense of actually prospecting. For additional information see THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE® - pp. 80-86.

OVER-PREPARER SalesCR™ CODE: YELLOW

Outlook: Easy to prevent, and moderately easy to correct.

Hyper-Pro SalesCR™: 40

Capsule Summary: Places great importance on image and prestige. Likely to remove self quickly from any situation considered beneath him/her or that does not serve to promote image.

Management Tips: This individual may occasionally become distracted by over-concern with image and credibility issues. For more information see THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE® - pp. 86-93.

HYPER-PRO SalesCR™ CODE: YELLOW

Outlook: Moderately easy to prevent and correct if individual is able to admit they might have Hyper-Pro SalesCR™
**Stage Fright SalesCR™: 26**

Capsule Summary: Fears making group presentations. May perform well in initiating one-on-one contacts, but will avoid group presentations at all costs.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual has no more or less hesitation to make group prospecting presentations than the average salesperson. For more information see THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE® - pp. 93-98.

OUTLOOK: Easy to prevent and correct.

**Role Rejection SalesCR™: 17**

Capsule Summary: Feels ashamed of career choice. May have accepted some of the negative stereotypes typically used to describe salespeople and assumes that everyone else has as well.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual is not likely to experience prospecting difficulties due to Role Rejection SalesCR™ Call Reluctance®.

OUTLOOK: Easy to prevent and correct.

**Yielder SalesCR™: 22**

Capsule Summary: Fears doing anything which might be considered pushy or intrusive. Always waiting for the 'right time' to call; hesitates to close.

Management Tips: This individual may occasionally experience prospecting slow-downs in reaction to fears of being considered pushy, forward or intrusive. For more information, read THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE® - pp. 113-118.

OUTLOOK: Moderately difficult to prevent and correct.
**Management Tips:**

This individual may be less inclined to be intimidated by persons of wealth, prestige or power than most salespeople. **NOTE: THIS FORM OF CALL RELUCTANCE® IS HIGHLY CONTAGIOUS. ALTHOUGH THIS INDIVIDUAL TENDS TO BE NATURALLY RESISTANT, PASSIVE EXPOSURE TO SMALL TOXIC DOSES OF THIS FORM OF CALL RELUCTANCE® CAN RESULT IN CAREER-LIMITING ATTITUDES.**

**Social Self-Consciousness SalesCR™ Code:** GREEN

**Outlook:**
Moderately easy to prevent and correct.

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**Management Tips:**

This individual's score is higher than average and suggests that he or she may hesitate to utilize friends as contacts for prospective customers or referrals. **LOOK FOR…**

- Concealment of emotional discomfort by arguing that calling on friends is unethical or unprofessional
- Possible tendency to become argumentative or belligerent (emotional) when asked to justify this position
- Hesitates to give names of friends to other salespeople as referrals

For additional information, read **THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE®** - pp. 126-130.

**Separationist SalesCR™ Code:** RED

**Outlook:**
Easy to prevent and correct.

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**Management Tips:**

Score suggests this individual has no more hesitation to make sales calls on accessible family members than the typical salesperson. For additional information, see **THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE®** - pp. 130-134.

**Emotionally Unemancipated SalesCR™ Code:** YELLOW
Outlook: Easy to prevent and correct.

**Referral Aversion SalesCR™: 25**

Score: 25

Capsule Summary: Hesitates to ask for referrals. Fears that asking for referrals will threaten just-closed sale, damage rapport with customers, or appear grasping and exploitative.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual has no more hesitation to ask for referrals than the typical salesperson. See THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE® - pp. 134-138, for more information.

REFERRAL AVERSION SalesCR™ CODE: YELLOW

Outlook: Easy to prevent and correct.

**Telephobia SalesCR™: 0**

Score: 0

Capsule Summary: Uncomfortable using the telephone to prospect or sell.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual is less likely than most salespeople to hesitate or resist using the telephone to prospect for new sales.

TELEPHOBIA SalesCR™ CODE: GREEN

Outlook: Easy to prevent and correct.

**Oppositional Reflex SalesCR™: 0**

Score: 0

Capsule Summary: Highly critical of self and others. Unable to allow self to be coached, advised, instructed, managed or trained.

Management Tips: This individual's score is below average and suggests that Oppositional Reflex SalesCR™ should not be a problem.

OPPOSITIONAL REFLEX SalesCR™ CODE: GREEN

Outlook: Easy to prevent and very difficult to correct.
Section 3: Sales Call Reluctance® Impostors Profile

Prospecting Motivation™: 77

Capsule Summary: General level of motivation or energy available to invest in goal-supporting behaviors. Does not give up easily when faced with difficult or frustrating tasks.

Management Tips: Scores suggest the motivation this individual brings to a career or difficult task is projected to be above average. This individual should have few problems applying persistent effort to complete difficult tasks.

Outlook: PROSPECTING MOTIVATION™ CODE: GREEN

Prospecting Goal Level™: 50

Capsule Summary: Degree of goal clarity or focus. Willingness to commit to long-term goals and work single-mindedly to accomplish them.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual should be able to set and pursue long-term career-related goals. However, to keep this individual on track, may need reinforcement from time to time for short-term goals achieved. For more information, see THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE® - pp. 41-44, 53-57, 60-66.

Outlook: PROSPECTING GOAL LEVEL™ CODE: YELLOW

Prospecting Goal Diffusion™: 60

Capsule Summary: Tends to commit to too many goals simultaneously. Interests can change quite frequently, making it difficult to meet job and performance requirements.

Management Tips: Scores suggest this individual has an average need for change and should not have too much difficulty focusing on single goals once they are set. May occasionally need additional supervision to keep on track.

For additional information, read THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SALES CALL RELUCTANCE®- pp. 41-44, 48-53, 60-66.

Outlook: PROSPECTING GOAL DIFFUSION™ CODE: YELLOW
Problem Solving: 80

Scores suggest this individual is comfortable working on detailed or complex tasks which may require extended periods of time and concentration.

Note: Generalizations about overall intelligence should not be made from this or any other single source of information.

Outlook: PROBLEM SOLVING CODE: Code will vary and is dependent upon company's training program, products and technical requirements.
Section 4: Attitude Toward Questionnaire (Filters)

**Impression Mgmt.: 0**

0 - 10 - 20 - 30 - 40 - 50 - 60 - 70 - 80 - 90 - 100

**Capsule Summary:** Desire to create a positive impression through the use of exaggeration and embellishment.

**Management Tips:** This individual may tend to underestimate or doubt his or her knowledge or abilities and may not be comfortable with the use of exaggeration or embellishment to enhance prospecting activities or to facilitate closed sales.

**Note:** Use caution when interpreting this scale. Some of the terms used to measure this scale are culture-specific (U.S.) and may not be applicable in all countries.

**Outlook:** IMPRESSION MANAGEMENT CODE: YELLOW

**Hedging: 18**

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**Capsule Summary:** Tends to choose in-between or non-committal responses.

**Management Tips:** This individual answered most of the questions in accordance with the instructions given. Undue hedging (or choosing ‘in-between’ answers to questions) was not detected.

**Outlook:** HEDGING CODE: GREEN

**Resp. Consistency: 50**

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**Capsule Summary:** Level of attention, effort and/or cooperation applied when completing the questionnaire. Low scores sometimes reflect ambiguity in sense of self.

**Management Tips:** This individual's score is similar to that of the typical salesperson, which suggests an average amount of care and attention was used to complete the questionnaire. Additional sources of information, such as the SPQ*GOLD® Interview Guide, should be utilized to qualify and confirm SPQ*GOLD® results.

**Outlook:** RESPONSE CONSISTENCY CODE: YELLOW
Call Reluctance® Scale

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Contrast Group
General: Direct Sales

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See the SPQ®GOLD® Sales Development Report for a detailed explanation of test results.