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INSTRUMENT TITLE: Controlling and Abusive Tactics Questionnaire (and CAT-2)

SOURCE ARTICLE:

Hamel, J., Jones, D. N., Dutton, D. G., & Graham-Kevan, N. (2015). The CAT: A gender-inclusive measure of controlling and abusive tactics. *Violence and Victims, 30(4)*, 547.

POPULATION:

Men, women, Latino, African American, Native American, Asian

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

[These instruments have already been formatted by the author. Please see attached.]

SURVEY ITEMS:

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RELIABILITY INFORMATION:

Cronbach's α :

- CAT: 0.90 (men), 0.86 (women)

TERMS OF USE:

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- CAT-2 (male version): 0.95
- CAT-2 (female version): 0.94

VALIDITY INFORMATION:

Types of validity assessed:

- Convergent validity
- Discriminant validity
- Criterion-related validity

FACTOR ANALYSIS:

Factor analysis revealed a 4-factor solution.

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Questionnaire Items

1. Verbally threatens to hurt partner
2. Threatens with gestures (e.g., staring)
3. Harms or threatens to harm someone partner cares about
4. Harms, or threatens to harm, pets
5. Attempts to control who partner spends time with
6. Tries to restrict partner's movements
7. Keeps partner from leaving (e.g., stand in front of doorway)
8. Withholds car keys, disables vehicle
9. Accuses partner of being unfaithful or flirting with others
10. Secretly records partner
11. Searches partner's purse/wallet/cell phone calls
12. Interrogates partner as to where he/she has been, who he/she has seen
13. Controls the money and excludes partner from financial decisions
14. Spends money excessively or lies about expenses
15. Refuses to work or contribute financially
16. Withholds child support
17. Demands unreasonable child support or lies to get more of it
18. Threatens to have partner fired
19. Tells partner he/she is unattractive
20. Flirts with others to make partner jealous
21. Threatens to or actually has an affair
22. Calls partner names (e.g., Bitch, Loser)
23. Makes fun of partner's sexual performance
24. Humiliates in front of others
25. Pressures partner to do things against his/her values
26. Ridicules partner
27. Treats partner like he/she is stupid
28. Tells partner he/she is incompetent and helpless
29. Tells partner what he/she cares about is unimportant
30. Spreads false rumors about partner
31. Tells others partner is crazy
32. Blames partner for all the problems in the relationship
33. Orders partner around
34. Expects partner to "hop to it"
35. Nags
36. Refuses to accept "No" for an answer
37. Criticizes partner's every move
38. Insists on talking late at night keeping partner awake
39. Calls or goes to partner's place of work to harass him/her
40. Makes false statements about partner to employer/coworkers
41. Follows partner around
42. Calls, pages, or text messages constantly
43. Leaves numerous unwanted messages on partner's voice mail or computer
44. Threatens self-harm to get my attention

45. Deliberately ignores partner
46. Withholds affection or sex
47. Locks partner out of bedroom or residence when angry
48. Refuses to cooperate
49. "Forgets" important things (e.g., to pay bills or relay calls/messages)
50. Tells children negative things about partner
51. Uses children as spies
52. Excludes partner from child rearing decisions
53. Recruits the children against partner
54. Threatens to take the children
55. Keeps children from partner
56. Refuses to allow the children to see partner's parents/extended family
57. Files or threatens false/exaggerated domestic violence charges
58. Files or threatens false/exaggerated child abuse charges
59. Threatens to have partner deported
60. Reports or threatens to report partner to welfare
61. Pressures partner to have sex when he/she doesn't want to
62. Pressures partner to engage in unwanted sexual practices