# **Leader Toolkit**

### Team effectiveness diagnostic



We work together, respecting what everyone brings to the team and empowering each other to be stronger together. We create an exceptional experience and have fun and celebrate success.

### Why use this tool

- To understand the effectiveness of your team.
- To identify team areas that need to be improved to increase team effectiveness.
- To review team effectiveness across these dimensions over time and determine whether improvement is occurring.

#### When to use this tool

Use this tool when a team first forms or when you would like to review the effectiveness of an existing team. Repeat at a later date after action has been taken to improve the team's effectiveness.

### How to use this tool

- Use this questionnaire as a basis for a team discussion/ or workshop on the effectiveness of your team.
- All members of the team, including the leader, should complete the questionnaire according to the instructions before the team discussion/ workshop.
- Use the overall average calculated, as well as averages of the individual dimensions, as a basis for your team discussion. Include the Values Based Leadership (VBL) spidergram self-assessment if available.
- Use the *Team action plan* tool to develop an agreed set of actions to become a more effective team.

## Instructions for completing the questionnaire.

This questionnaire looks at team effectiveness areas:

- Purpose and goals PG
- Roles R
- Team processes TP
- Team relationships TR
- Intergroup relations IR
- Problem solving PS
- Passion and commitment PC
- Skills and learning SL
- 1. Each team member should make their own assessment of the team's effectiveness.

Assess and score each of the questionnaire's statements using a scale of 1 to 5 where

- 5 Strongly Agree
- 4 Agree
- 3 Neutral
- 2 Disagree
- 1 Strongly Disagree
- 2. Total and average scores for each area of team effectiveness.
- 3. Bring completed questionnaire along to discussion/ workshop.

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#### Complete the questionnaire - record your personal assessment of team effectiveness

Read through the following statements carefully	Score each statement from 5 Strongly Agree to 1 Strongly Disagree								
Statement	PG	R	TP	TR	IR	PS	PC	SL	
Our team has a meaningful, shared purpose.									
Team members clearly understand their roles.									
Team problem solving results in effective solutions.									
Team members appreciate one another's unique capabilities.									
We are able to resolve conflicts with other teams collaboratively.									
Team members take personal responsibility for the effectiveness of our team.									
Working on our team inspires people to do their best.									
We have the skills we need to do our jobs effectively.									
We are strongly committed to a shared mission.									
When an individual's role changes, an intentional effort is made to clarify it for everyone on the team.									
We address and resolve issues quickly.									
Team members are effective listeners.									
We seek to arrange our priorities to meet the needs of other work groups.									
Team members maintain a can-do approach when they encounter frustrating situations.									
My team has a strong sense of accomplishment relative to our work.									
We always ask ourselves, "How can we do better tomorrow what we did today?"									
We focus on big-picture strategic issues as much as on day-to-day activities.									
Team members understand one another's roles.									
People on my team are rewarded for being team players.									
Communication in our group is open and honest.									
We communicate effectively with other groups.									

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Team members take initiative to resolve issues										
between themselves without involving the team										
leader.										
People are proud to be part of our team.										
As a team, we are continually working to improve										
cycle time, speed to market, customer										
responsiveness, or other key performance										
indicators.										
We set and meet challenging goals.										
Everyone values what each member contributes to										
the team.										
Group meetings are very productive.										
Members of our team trust each other.										
Our team has established trusting and supportive										
relationships with other teams.										
We spend very little time complaining about things										
we cannot control.										
Team members frequently go beyond what is										
required and do not hesitate to take initiative.										
We view everything, even mistakes, as										
opportunities for learning and growth.										
We consistently produce strong, measurable										
results.										
Team members avoid duplication of effort and										
make sure they are clear about who is doing what.										
Our team has mechanisms in place to monitor its										
results.										
Team members help one another deal with										
problems or resolve issues										
We work toward integrating our plans with those										
of other work groups.										
Team members seek and give each other										
constructive feedback.										
As a team, we work to attract and retain top										
performers.										
We use various forms of training to keep our skills										
up-to-date.										
We make sure our work helps the organization										
achieve its goals.										
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We are able to work through differences of opinion														
without damaging relationships.														
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productive, worthwhile, and yield good results.														
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them and take pride in a job well done.														
Our team is excited about the contribution it is														
making to the organization's competitive viability.														
Team members embrace continuous improvement														
as a way of life.														
The mission and goals of my team are well aligned														
with the organization's mission and goals.														
Overlapping or shared tasks and responsibilities do														
not create problems for team members.														
When we choose consensus decision-making, we														
do it effectively.														
Team members display high levels of cooperation														
and mutual support.														
The goals of our group support those of other														
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