



## Tool 6.6 Screening interview form of the International Organization for Migration for the identification of victims of trafficking

### Overview

*This tool introduces the IOM screening interview form to assist officials of various agencies in the identification of trafficking victims, as well as other sample checklists and interview questions.*

IOM has prepared the following screening interview form for the purpose of facilitating victim identification. Each section of the form is to be completed by the interviewer to aid in ascertaining whether the interview is a victim of trafficking.

### Informed consent

Has the individual been informed that IOM and/or (name of partnering organization) reserves the right to share her/his individual case data for assistance purposes and only with IOM missions and partnering organizations involved in direct assistance? (Yes/No)

Has the individual further been informed that IOM reserves the right to make a limited disclosure of non-personal data based on the information collected at the interview to law enforcement for the purpose of rescuing other victims that remain under the control of traffickers or preventing other potential victims from being trafficked? (Yes/No)

Has the individual further been informed that IOM reserves the right to use (only anonymous, aggregate) data for research purposes? (Yes/No)

Has the individual's full and informed consent been obtained to conduct the screening interview based on information given regarding the role of the organization, the voluntary nature of the interview and the use of the information provided by the individual as outlined above? (Yes/No)

*Note:* Informed consent is necessary for all services, such as medical examination and procedure, health assessments, assisted voluntary returns and reintegration assistance.

If the individual is a minor, has the consent of the parent(s)/guardian(s) been obtained? (Yes/No)

Signature of interviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration data

First name(s):

Family name(s):

Sex:

Country of birth:

Place of birth:

Last place of residence in country of origin:

Date of birth:

Is date of birth an estimate? (Yes/No)

Age (in number of years):

Citizenship:

Ethnicity:

Identity document (type, country, number and expiry date):

## Case and interview data

Type of referring organization/individual: (NGO/international organization/law enforcement/immigration/Government/embassy/IOM mission/hotline/self-referral walk-in/family/friend/client/other)

Name/location of referring organization/individual:

Screening date:

Screening location:

Name of interviewer:

Name of organization/institution:

Contact details of interviewer:

Address and telephone number of referring organization:

Interviewee's language(s):

Interpreter? (Yes/No)

Name of interpreter:

If minor: Name(s), address(es) and telephone number of parent(s) or guardian(s):

## Entry into trafficking

1. How did the individual enter the process (indicate multiple options if necessary)?
2. Did entry into the process involve recruitment? (Yes/No)

If Yes, how was the contact initiated between the individual and her/his recruiter? (personal contact/employment agency/travel agency/Internet advertisement/newspaper advertisement/radio advertisement/television advertisement/other)

3. If labour migration, what activity did the individual believe he or she was going to be engaged in following arrival at the final destination (indicate multiple options if necessary)?

Agricultural work/begging/child care/construction/domestic work/factory work/fishing/low-level criminal activities/military service/mining/prostitution/restaurants and hotel work/study/small street commerce/trade/transport/other)

4. What was the individual told would be their benefits following arrival at final destination?

Salary (equivalent in \$US per month)

Other benefits

5. In which month/year did the individual enter into the process?
6. Minor at the time of entry into the process? (Yes/No)
7. From which place/country did the individual enter into the process?
8. What place/country is the last (or intended) destination?

9. Did the individual travel alone? (Yes/No)

If No, who did the individual travel with (indicate multiple options if necessary)?  
(husband/wife/partner/relative/friend/recruiter/transporter/unknown persons/other)

10. Did the individual spend any time in transit place(s)/country(ies) (Yes/No)

If Yes, who did the individual travel with? (husband/wife/partner/relative/friend/recruiter/transporter/unknown persons/other)

Did he or she engage in any activity in this place(s)/country(ies) (Yes/No)

If Yes, which activity in first/only transit place/country? (agricultural work/begging/child care/construction/domestic work/factory work/fishing/low-level criminal activities/marriage/military service/mining/prostitution/restaurants and hotel work/study/small street commerce/trade/transport sector/other)

If more places/countries, add respective places and activities engaged in.

11. Were any of the following means used to control the individual?

Physical abuse	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Psychological abuse	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Sexual abuse	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Threats to individual	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other

Threat of action by law enforcement	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Threats to family	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
False promises/deception	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Denial of freedom of movement	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Giving of drugs	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Giving of alcohol	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Denial of medical treatment	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Denial of food/drink	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Withholding of identity documents	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Withholding of travel documents	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Debt bondage	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Recruiter/Transporter/Harboured/Receiver/ Other
Other	Specify:	

## Exploitation phase

12. What activity has the individual undertaken since her/his arrival in the last destination?  
Agricultural work/begging/child care/construction/domestic work/factory work/  
fishing/low-level criminal activities/marriage/military service/mining/prostitution/  
restaurants and hotel work/study/small street commerce/trade/transport sector/  
unemployed/other
13. How old was the individual when the activity began?  
How long did the only/most significant activity last?

## 14. Were any of the following means used to control the individual during the activity?

Physical abuse	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Psychological abuse	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Sexual abuse	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Threats to individual	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Threat of action by law enforcement	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Threats to family	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
False promises/deception	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Denial of freedom of movement	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Giving of drugs	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Giving of alcohol	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Denial of medical treatment	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Denial of food/drink	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Withholding of wages	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Withholding of identity documents	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Withholding of travel documents	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Debt bondage	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Excessive working hours	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
<i>If exploited for prostitution (sexual exploitation):</i>		
Denial of freedom to refuse client	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Denial of freedom to refuse certain acts	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Denial of freedom to use condom	Yes/No	If Yes, who by? Receiver/Exploiter/Clients/Other
Other means of control	Specify:	

15. Did the individual experience exploitation? (Yes/No)
16. If no exploitation took place, was there any indication of a real and substantial threat of exploitation?  
If Yes, what were the reasons that exploitation never took place? (Rescue/Escape/Other)

### Exploitation phase

17. Additional corroborative materials
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| Police or other official reports                   | Yes/No |
| Identity documents                                 | Yes/No |
| Travel documents                                   | Yes/No |
| Medical reports                                    | Yes/No |
| Copies of employment contract or recruitment offer | Yes/No |
| Personal writings by the individual                | Yes/No |
| Hotline reports                                    | Yes/No |
| If other, specify                                  | Yes/No |
18. Is the individual a victim of trafficking? Justify this decision.
19. Decision made by whom (specify names):
20. If the individual is a victim of trafficking, was the type of trafficking in-country or transnational? (in-country/transnational/both)
21. If the individual is a victim of trafficking, is he or she eligible for the IOM victim of trafficking assistance programme? (Yes/No)
22. If the individual is not a victim of trafficking, is he or she in need of assistance? (Yes/No)  
If Yes, what is the individual's situation? (Please specify all that applies.)
23. Additional remarks



Source: IOM. For more information about the work of IOM in victim assistance, see:  
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