

INDICATION

Based on the original Bishop score which predicts the likelihood of progression to successful vaginal delivery but with inclusion of cervical length instead of effacement, increased weighting to dilatation and some additional score modifiers.

INTERPRETATION

SCORE	INTERPRETATION
≤ 5	Unfavorable cervix. Induction may be necessary for successful vaginal delivery
6-7	Does not definitively predict whether or not induction will be successful. Consider induction or augmentation of labor based on clinical judgment
≥ 8	Spontaneous vaginal delivery is more likely and augmentation or induction may be unnecessary

CALCULATION

Total score = sum of scores for each question

QUESTION		SCORE
Dilation	Closed	0
	1-2cm	2
	3-4cm	4
	>4cm	6
Cervical length	3cm	0
	2cm	1
	1cm	2
	0cm	3
Station	-3	0
	-2	1
	-1/0	2
	1/2	3
Position	Posterior	0
	Mid-position	1
	Anterior	2
Consistency	Firm	0
	Moderately firm	1
Prior vaginal delivery	0-10	0-10 points
Pre-eclampsia	No	0
	Yes	1
Postdate pregnancy	No	0
	Yes	-1
Nulliparity	No	0
	Yes	-1
Pre-term premature rupture of membranes	No	0
	Yes	-1