



## Vetting Questions

- Do you practice BDSM and D/S dynamics online or in person?
- What are the common protocols you expect?
- Are you active in the local BDSM community? Do you attend munches and events?
- What form of BDSM are you looking for?
- Are you wanting a monogamous or polyamorous relationship?
- Are you a Sadist or Masochist?
- What are your soft and hard limits?
- What type of Sub are you? eg. Pet, Slave, LG, etc.
- How often would you be interested in the dynamic? 24/7, just play sessions, etc.?
- Tell me about your journey as a Dom/sub. (Let them ramble)
- What is the most fulfilling part of being a Dom/sub? (You want to hear things like the responsibility for guiding and directing and shaping you, not "having you suck my dick")
- Tell me about your last Dom/sub. (Note whether they speak well or ill of them, regardless of how it ended)
- Why did your last dynamic end?
- Which of your exes can I contact as a reference? (Any Dom/sub with any lived experience is going to have at least one ex who can speak to his qualifications)
- Tell me about your mentor. (Mentors are hard to come by these days, but "self taught" is often "badly taught")
- Tell me what non-kink things you bring to a scene. (You want to hear first aid kit, scissors to deal with rope-play mishaps in a hurry, H2O, snacks for aftercare)
- How do you handle a safeword situation when the sub doesn't have the power of speech? (You're looking for them to talk about things like "safe gestures" or similar signals)
- Tell me 5 non-sexual things you would incorporate into our dynamic to help feel submission or dominance? (You're looking for things like good morning/good night, check ins, possibly clothing and meal approval, that sort of thing)
- A Difficult Scene - What is the most difficult scene you have ever done and why and what did you learn from it? "I have never had one" is of course bullshit, every person has had one and should be open about it, it's how we learn.
- Do you wish to have punishments in your dynamic?
- Punishment - What is the most elaborate or most difficult punishment you have ever given/received, why was it given, what did it accomplish and what did you learn from it? What would you have done differently next time? Do you distinguish between discipline and punishment? If so, how?



- Safety Philosophy - Could you elaborate on yours? Which one do you follow, RACK, PRICK? Or do you follow something else when it comes to being responsible for safety...yours and mine?
- Aftercare - Could you explain how you perform 'aftercare'? Or why don't you? (Once again this should be lengthy and include that it is person specific, no 2 people need the same aftercare.)
- Cues - What are 'cues' in a scene? How do you know how to progress in a scene....intensity, tools to change to, rest periods between? Will I get water? If bound will I be unbound?
- Identification Needed - If I decide to meet you, are you prepared to tell me ahead of time how I can contact you, your full real name, where you live and work, your home and cell numbers, references? (ALL OF THESE ARE NON-NEGOTIABLE. if they balk on any of these it usually means they have something to hide.)
- Meetings - Are you willing to meet with me several times before we play together if I so choose?
- It's My Decision - Are you willing to accept that I am not your submissive/Dominant until "I" make the decision to be such a person to you or when "I" decide to ask you if I could be such a person for you, and that "I" will not be acting Dominant or being a submissive until I feel comfortable in doing so, before that decision to serve, obey or please you is made by "me"?
- Do you want a contract in your dynamic? What type of things would you include in that contract?
- Nurturing - How do you nurture a submissive to build trust and the desire in them to continue to submit to you? Do you micro-manage them? Do you build on what you find out about your potential? Do you lay down rules for them to follow? Do you provide guidance along the way? Do we do timeouts to discuss progress and problems?
- Safewords - Do you use safewords? If so...what ones do you like to use? When are they allowed? How do you like them expressed to you? Do you always allow them? Will you always respect them? Can I give them up?
- Health Issues - How do you handle those with health issues? Give me some examples?
- Peeves - What are your pet peeves about a person? How do you manage them if you choose to continue to play with them?
- Play Types - What are the differences between M/s, D/s play? What works best for you? Do you play with those who are different from your typical kind of play style? Is what you do play, role-play, or lifestyle?
- Orchestration - How do you orchestrate a scene from start to finish?
- Sex and Orgasm - Are these important to you? Do you need them? Do you provide these to your slave or submissive? And if not, why?