

# **Leadership Style 'Quick Guide'**

Adapt Your Approach for Maximum Team Impact
The 4 DiSC Leadership Styles at a Glance

# D Style (Dominant): Results-Driven

Strengths: Clear direction, quick decisions, high standards

Watch For: Can be too blunt or intimidating to quieter team members

Quick Win: Pause for input before making decisions

#### i Style (Influence): People-Oriented

**Strengths**: Team spirit, motivation, innovation

Watch For: May avoid difficult conversations or miss execution details

Quick Win: Use agendas and action items to maintain focus

#### S Style (Steady): Supportive

**Strengths**: Team cohesion, trust-building, consistency **Watch For**: Might resist change or delay tough decisions **Quick Win**: Set clear deadlines to prevent decision paralysis

# C Style (Conscientious): Analytical

**Strengths**: High-quality work, careful planning, thorough analysis

**Watch For**: Can get bogged down in details or struggle with delegation **Quick Win**: Define what "good enough" looks like to prevent perfectionism

# **Leadership Flexibility Assessment -** Signs Your Style Might Need Adjusting:

- 1. The team hesitates to speak up or challenge ideas
- 2. Constantly having to "chase" people for updates
- 3. Inconsistent performance and low morale
- 4. Lack of accountability or direction

#### Signs Your Style Is Working Well:

- 1. Strong collaboration and open communication
- 2. Clear ownership of goals and responsibilities
- 3. Effective problem-solving with minimal conflict
- 4. High motivation and team cohesion



## **Style Adaptation Quick Tips When Leading D Styles:**

- Be direct and to the point
- Focus on results and the bottom line
- Provide challenges and opportunities for control

## When Leading i Styles:

- Allow time for socialising and relationship building
- Recognise their contributions publicly
- Present big picture ideas and exciting possibilities

#### When Leading S Styles:

- Provide reassurance and clear expectations
- Allow time to adjust to changes
- Show appreciation for their steady contributions

#### When Leading C Styles:

- Provide details and facts
- Allow time for analysis before decisions
- Recognise their expertise and accuracy

**Remember**: Adapting your communication style shows respect for others' preferences and strengthens team relationships.

#### Want more tools to build stronger team communication?

