



Agronomy and Forage

2012 Alfalfa Quality Information

Goal Relative Feed Quality (RFV) of 150

Quality Information from 5/7/12

Warm temperatures last week really pushed alfalfa plant growth and development. Plant height drives quality and on average alfalfa grew about 5 inches last week

On average we lose roughly 3-5 RFV points per day depending on temperatures. PEAQ RFVs are about 15 RFV points higher than forage coming out of storage.

PEAQ quality measurements and scissor cuts (lab analysis) will be taken on Thursday, May 10th.

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Location	Sample Date	PEAQ RFV	Plant Ht (inches)	Growth Stage
Haven	5/7/12	217	19	Vegetative
Howards Grove	5/7/12	205	21	Vegetative
Sheb. Falls	5/7/12	211	20	Vegetative
Glenbeulah	5/7/12	205	21	Vegetative
Batavia	5/7/12	200	22	Vegetative
Waldo	5/7/12	224	18	Vegetative
Hingham	5/7/12	211	20	Vegetative
Kewaskum	5/7/12	200	22	Vegetative
Hartford-N	5/7/12	205	21	Vegetative
Newburg-NW	5/7/12	230	17	Vegetative
