2014 Alfalfa Quality Information

Goal-Relative Feed Value (RFV) of 150

Quality Information from 5/29/14

Look for opportunities to harvest without delay for high quality alfalfa forage. Do not be misled by the slow alfalfa "bud" development.

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 due to respiration and dry matter losses.

This will be the last Alfalfa Quality Report for this season. For more information contact Mike Ballweg at (920) 459-5910 or Alan Linnebur at (262) 335-4477. Results are posted on our website: <u>http://sheboygan.uwex.edu/</u>

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Take time to be safe.

Location	Scissors Cut Analysis				Field PEAQ Estimates		
Sample Date May 29, 2014	CP %	ADF %	NDF %	RFV	Maturity	Plant Ht (inches)	PEAQ RFV
Haven	22.95	28.93	38.67	160	Veg	26	180
Sheb. Falls	-	-	-	-	Field Cut	-	-
Glenbeulah	23.93	27.87	36.82	170	Early Bud	29	160
Batavia	23.37	25.84	35.88	178	Early Bud	27	168
Waldo	22.13	28.91	39.12	157	Veg	27	175
Hingham	24.36	28.72	38.28	162	Veg	28	171
Kewaskum	24.99	26.46	36.05	176	-	-	-
Hartford	24.58	28.05	36.99	169	-	-	-
Newberg	23.84	28.08	37.96	164	-	-	-