

2015 Alfalfa Quality Watch

Goal-Relative Feed Value (RFV) of 150

Quality Information from 5/14/15

Warmer than normal temperatures have pushed the alfalfa crop along. Alfalfa fields selected for quality measurements are 2nd or 3rd year production fields.

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.

The next quality measurement will be taken on Monday May 18th.

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Take time to be safe.

Location	Sample Date	PEAQ RFV	Plant Ht (inches)	Growth Stage
Batavia	5/14/15	195	23	Vegetative
Glenbeulah	5/14/15	195	23	Vegetative
Sheboygan Falls	5/14/15	230	17	Vegetative
Hingham – East	5/14/15	224	18	Vegetative
Hingham – West	5/14/15	217	19	Vegetative
Town of Wilson	5/14/15	237	16	Vegetative
