## MARKET GOAT PERFORMANCE

## MARKET GOAT GROWTH CHART (goal setting)

To achieve success with your 4-H Market Goat project, it is important you know the estimated final weight of your animal and your progress toward that goal throughout the feeding period. The chart below enables you to plot the predicted growth curve (immediately after weigh-in) and then plots the actual weight of your animal at various times during the feeding period to determine if you are "on target".

## PLEASE NOTE THE DIFFERENCE IN THE FOLLOWING LINES;

Actual: USE RED LINE

130 130 120 120 110 110 100 100 90 90 80 80 70 70 60 60 50 50 40 40 30 30 Lbs Lbs Initial 14 28 35 42 49 56 73 80 Fair 7 Weigh-in days days days days days weigh-in days days days days Animal weight: \_\_\_\_\_ Weigh-in date: Number of days in feeding period: Final Weight:

1. Mark the initial weight at the appropriate location on the left-hand side of the table

- 2. Mark the estimated final weight at the appropriate location for the number of days in the feeding period. (Note: This may fall at a point between the 15-day intervals shown on the chart.)
- 3. Make sure your actual line is red and your estimated line is blue.
- 4. Connect these two points with the lines shown above.

Planned: USE BLUE LINE

5. Record your animal's weight in the table below each time it is weighed during the feeding period. Also, each time you weigh your animal, record that weight on the chart above, and connect this point with previous actual weight. Compare the actual growth curve with your predicted growth line. Are any adjustments needed?

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## **Progressive Project Weight Record**

Weigh					
Date					
Days since					
initial					
weigh-in					
Days since <u>last</u>					
weigh-in					
Current					
Weight					
Weigh Date					
ADG since					
<u>initial</u>					
weigh-in					

Weigh Date					
ADG since <u>last</u> weigh-in					