# Heart failure stoplight tool

Which zone are you in today: green, yellow or red?

Phone:			



### Green Zone

### I'm feeling good.

- I do not have any shortness of breath.
- I am weighing myself daily.
- I have not gained more than 2 pounds in a week.
- I do not have any swelling in my feet, ankles, legs, or abdomen.
- I do not have chest pain.

## How I'll prevent symptoms today

#### I will:

Doctor/Provider:

- Weigh myself first thing in the morning and write it down.
- Take my medicine as instructed.
- Check for swelling in my feet, ankles, legs, and abdomen.
- Eat low-salt food follow a 2-gram per day sodium diet.
- Make sure to get enough activity and rest.



## **Yellow Zone**

### I'm not feeling good.

- I have had a weight gain of more that 2-3 pounds in one day or 5 pounds or more in one week.
- I have shortness of breath with my normal activities.
- I have swelling in my feet, ankles, legs, or abdomen.
- I feel more tired or have less energy than normal.
- I am having difficulty peeing.
- I am dizzy.
- I feel uneasy or a feeling something is not right.
- I have shortness of breath when lying down or need to sleep sitting up in a chair.

## **Caution!**

#### Take action TODAY. I will:

- Report these symptoms to my doctor/provider without delay AND
- Continue to take my daily heart medications as prescribed AND
- Call my doctor/provider if my symptoms do not improve.

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### Red Zone

#### I feel awful!

- I am struggling to breathe.
- I have shortness of breath while sitting still.
- I am having chest pain.
- I feel confused or can't think clearly.

## Get help!

#### Take action NOW:

- CALL 911 or seek medical care RIGHT AWAY.
- While getting help, do this:
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Name:			
My goal weight is:	(To be completed by care team)	Month:	

Date	Weight	Medicine	Swelling		Zone
Day 1		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 2		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 3		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 4		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 5		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 6		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 7		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 8		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 9		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 10		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 11		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 12		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 13		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 14		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 15		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	

Doctor/Provider:		
Phone:		

Tracking your weight and understanding the warning signs of congestive heart failure (CHF) are important to managing your health. Fill out this form daily to record your weight, answer whether you've taken your medicine, check for swelling, and determine your zone. Please have it with you for each visit with your care team. The back side explains the symptoms and warning signs for each zone.

Date	Weight	Medicine	Swelling		Zone
Day 16		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 17		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 18		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 19		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 20		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 21		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 22		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 23		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 24		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 25		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 26		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 27		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 28		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 29		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 30		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	
Day 31		☐ Yes ☐ No	☐ Yes ☐ No	If yes, where:	