

## The 90 Day Chart

Posted by Markz - 18 Oct 2015 18:32

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Guys Here's the Current "[Welcome to the 90 Day Chart Letter](#)"

I'd like to propose a new Letter

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Hi markz,

**Congratulations** on beginning your journey to freedom. You have been added to the [90 Day Journey chart](#). (Note: If you have less than one day clean, you won't see your name on the chart yet).

May the date Aug 13, 2015 (28 Av, 5775) be a date you will remember your whole life as the day you began to seriously work to break on breaking free. After 90 days clean you will earn your place on the "[Wall of Honor](#)"

### **How does the chart work?**

The chart will not prevent falls and slips

- If you are a struggler and put good controls in place you have a good chance of success.
- If you are an addict or undetermined, you will learn very quickly usually within 30 days, that you will need to upgrade your sobriety tools to make it to 90 days. The chart is a great tool to encourage the addict to deal with his unmanageable life

"Today is day 1 - What are you gonna do to be sober today?"

### **For Strugglers**

Many have reached 90 days with the chart (and before the chart), but fallen again later (or before). This is because their challenge is only

### **For Sexaholics**

Scientific studies have shown that it takes 90 days to change a neural thought pattern that was ingrained in the brain through addictive

when encountering lust situations, and at those behaviors. It very rare for addicts to reach 90 times the chart often doesn't restrain. We highly days with the chart alone. Yes, we all want to recommend you also consider putting up a filter pass 90 days, and the chart can help, but the to prevent challenging situations, and also see primary tools to arrive there is not via the 90 our Blue level tools shown on the [homepage](#) day chart. We recommend you begin with the Orange level tools shown on the [homepage](#).

(To determine your addiction, you can take the 'Addict or Not Test' [HERE](#) - see more below)

[Download](#) your own PERSONAL "90 Day chart" as well on this page to print out!

We can also find the idea of 90 in Chazal. Thirty days is 90 Shmoneh Esreis! Chazal knew that it takes 90 times of doing something (e.g. "v'sen tal u'matar") to get the mind used to it.

The Hebrew letter "Tzadi" – which symbolizes someone who is morally pure, also equals 90 in Gematria!

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This is my newly edited letter I think new Charters should receive.

Why is this important?

My main issue is not to diagnose character types, but that I'm sure many try and fail the Chart, and then say 'who needs gye'?

Yes, it's true that GYE has the [Initial Evaluation](#) page - But all new charters should be advised about this when beginnin'.

Please read the complete recent discussion about 90-days [HERE](#)

Here's more about Addicts and Non addicts [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

And Yes we should have debate about the definition of Addicts too and get that down on 1 page  
- I know others would like it too.

The links I put were just for sample purposes

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate  
Posted by MBJ - 18 Oct 2015 20:26

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Posted by markz - 18 Oct 2015 20:35

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Ok MBJ the Debate is beginning now, thanks for taking the plunge

You say "The letter is about breaking a habit"... Which NO-Addict has done with the Chart alone  
(there may be freak exception), and is almost pointless for a non addicts, as I explained

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate

Posted by MJB - 18 Oct 2015 20:49

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate

Posted by MJB - 18 Oct 2015 20:51

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Also you can't force recovery on anyone. People will come to it when they are ready. I would prefer it was kept simple and to the point for those just starting as opposed to bombarding them with too much information.

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate

Posted by Watson - 18 Oct 2015 21:18

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Personally I don't like generalisations on GYE. IMO The less said to new charters the better. Let them see for themselves if it works for them or not.

But that takes honesty. Real honesty. It's not easy to be truly honest. It's not easy to honestly answer the questions that really matter here on GYE:

**Is the method I'm currently using working or am I fooling myself?**

## **Do I really want to stop?**

For me I lied to myself about both of those questions for years and my disease progressed. It's when I'm prepared to be really honest with myself, even if it's painful, that recovery can begin.

I feel we need more honesty and less debating.

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate

Posted by markz - 18 Oct 2015 21:50

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MBJ and the Detective raised good points

However it's not fair!

It's not fair to each guy that joins this website. I think initially most join the chart (count for yourself how many there are now - there are plenty), and possibly nothing else.

It's not fair to all these guys, including myself to be given a runaround.

Yeah come join, but we're not gonna tell you you're being setup for failure.

I was very honest with myself when joining the website, so why do I have to suffer the trials of failure that Watson did, till you discover the truth? Or just dump guardyoureyes

And MBJs point of not stuffing is correct. That's why I wouldn't put it on the Chart 'application' page, but somewhere close, or the follow up email

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate

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Posted by Watson - 18 Oct 2015 22:00

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It has to happen in G-d's time, there's no way to hurry up the process, no matter how much you wish you could.

I know in my case plenty tried, none succeeded. Unfortunately as an addict pain seems to be the only teacher I have.

(You're also speculating as to the success of the 90 day chart. You wouldn't know if someone was successful by using the chart only because they would have never joined the forum to tell you. By it's very nature you would only have come across cases where it's failed.)

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate

Posted by cordnoy - 18 Oct 2015 23:06

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Re: The 90 Day Debate

Posted by markz - 19 Oct 2015 05:17

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And if someone creates an account with this website, should we not grant him even more, and not leave them in the dark for them to fall?

Or has your opinion changed recently?

**Some more about the chart:**

BTW, how many guys keep falling - repeating the chart, and how many start true sobriety?

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Posted by MJB - 19 Oct 2015 08:34

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As much as I wish I could force people to recover I cannot. Heck I can't even force myself to recover. I can only choose to recover.

But people have to be aware of the tools out there. And if someone goes to a rav for help he has to be aware of the issues and where he can direct the supplicant.

As such the 90 days is one of many tools and I think the GYE does a good job of promoting those tools even for someone who just signs up for the chart. I know I get an email regularly to check up on the tools I am not yet using.

In short, let people come, let them start slowly, let them take the steps THEY need to get better. I don't want someone who starts the 90 to see the word addict and go running for the hills.

As for your personal question. I was posting on the forum and chatting here my first time through the 90.



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Re: The 90 Day Debate

Posted by cordnoy - 19 Oct 2015 12:56

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Regardin' the site, we should state our opinions and help guide people. Sometimes they need a bit of cajolin' or encouragement.

Regardin' the letter, that was to inform the rabbinate as to what is goin' on....I see no comparison to your issue.

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate  
Posted by Shlomo24 - 19 Oct 2015 19:20

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I had no idea if I was an addict or not when I joined. I could have taken 15,000 polls it wouldn't have helped. Until i got in the mindset (thanks 2 the forums and other ppl) of recovery that I would join SA nothing else mattered. Presenting the option right away won't help i don't think. also it kinda makes it sound like forcing recovery.

also, i would leave the site direction up to the ppl who run this site and the "higher ups". they are doing a very good job b"h. i'm trying to release control on my life and help others, i don't think it would be a good idea for me to start trying to control. the one time i commented about the whole 90 day thing was in the worst bout of addiction i had ever had. (ayin haforum sheli)

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate  
Posted by markz - 20 Oct 2015 00:50

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Everyone was discussing whether it should be in the letter or not, but seemingly all agree with me that the solutions for addicts and non addicts differ, and what they are approximately, and also how much the 90 day chart can offer on its own.

So is the debate concluded?

Whether this is connected or not, you gotta make sure to **READ TODAYS EMAIL** "The Addiction.com Debate: Is Sex Addiction a True Addiction?"

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Re: The 90 Day (Chart) Debate  
Posted by serenity - 20 Oct 2015 01:31

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What email?

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