

Professional Football Handicapping System Windows Version

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#### IBM PC and Compatibles Loading Instructions

##### How to Run

##### Installation from the Internet

If you ordered the Professional Football Handicapping System Windows version from our Internet Web site, you've downloaded the file: PROWIN.exe where you were instructed to save it to your main (root) directory on your hard drive C:\. No installation is required. Just double click on the PROWIN icon to run.

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From Windows, use Windows Explorer or MyComputer and locate the file PROWIN.exe on drive C:. Then double click on the file PROWIN.exe to run the software from Windows Explorer.

This program requires entry of the NFL standings found in the sports section of the daily newspaper. After you run the program by double-clicking on the file icon, it displays a single data entry screen. You'll start by selecting the predicted weather conditions: Rain, Snow or Not Applicable, by clicking Radio Buttons. Next, enter each team's (W) wins to date, (L) losses to date, (T) ties to date, (PF) points for to date, (PA) points against to date, (H) home wins and losses to date and (A) away wins and losses to date. Then you select if this game was home or away for each team. This information may be found in the sports section of your daily newspaper, the day after the game. Predicted weather information may be found in the national weather section of your local newspaper the day before the game.

An alternative way to enter data into any of the boxes is to click in a

box using the mouse pointer, or you can just cycle through the boxes using the Tab key.

After the information is entered for both teams, click on the Click to Calculate button at the bottom of the display. The program will evaluate the data and predict a winner along with a point spread and the total points. You may now print the results, run the program again or end the program.

For best results it is suggested that you wait until the second or third week before starting to handicap. But if you wish to handicap the first few weeks of the season, you may use the data taken from the last few weeks of the last season. Also, you may also use that data to handicap the playoffs.

The program does not store the data entered since it uses the NFL standings, which is the cumulative data updated by your local newspaper. This allows you to start handicapping at anytime during the season.

### College Football

Although the program cannot be modified, it may be used to predict college football games if you keep track of the college statistics, similar to the way the NFL standings are tracked by the newspapers. On a sheet of paper, you must track the college team statistics with their wins, losses, ties, points for, points against, home wins and losses and away wins and losses, totaled to date.

When you're ready to handicap, run PROWIN and start by entering the two college team names you are comparing. Then enter the requested data. When you're done, click on Click to Calculate to get the predicted college team winner, the predicted point spread and total point statistics for that college game. Continue the above procedure for all the college team contenders you wish to handicap.

To run the program again, click on the Run Again button and the data boxes will clear so you can start the process over. When you're done, click on the Quit button, and the program will end. One interesting feature of the program is that once you calculate the rating, by entering all required data, you can make changes to the data to see how different factors would affect the rating without running the program again. After you make changes to the data in any of the text boxes, you would click on the Click to Calculate Rating button and the rating will change.

### NOTE 1

This program is designed for entertainment purposes only. Also, we make no guarantee to its accuracy, and assume no responsibility for losses incurred with its use. Though the program is designed with some degree of accuracy, there are many factors which can affect the outcome of a football game that cannot be accounted for.

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