

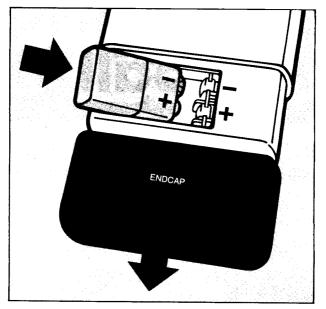
INSTRUCTIONS For 1 or 2 players. Electronic football with on-the-field action!



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BATTERY INSTALLATION

Pull the end cap off of the game as shown.



Fit battery securely into battery compartment, making sure that the large (-) terminal on the battery is snug against the wide (-) contact strip inside compartment. The small (+) terminal on the battery should fit against the narrow (+) contact strip.

TWO WAYS TO PLAY

PLAY ALONE against the computer.

OR PLAY AGAINST SOMEONE ELSE. Computer *always* plays defense. When two people compete, one is the Home Team, the other the Visitors. Both teams take turns trying to score against the computer-controlled defense!

THE CONTROLS

OFF 1PRO2 — Turns the game ON or OFF & selects speed.

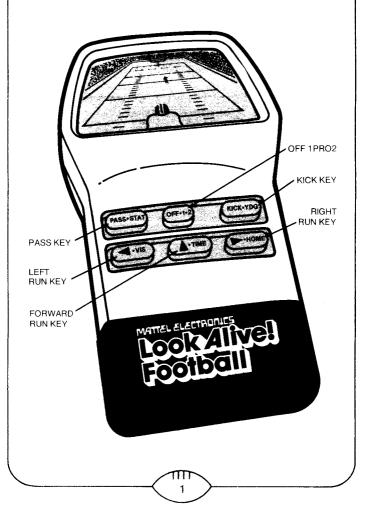
RUN Keys — Controls the direction the running back

moves.

PASS Key — Starts a pass from the running back to the

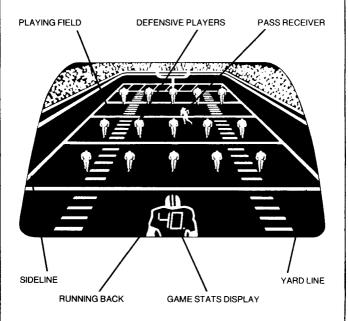
receiver.

KICK Key — Starts a kick toward the goal line.



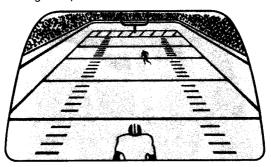
THE GRIDIRON

The game views the action from field level. You're the running back seeing the action all around! The yard lines are marked to give on-field perspective. You see 5 yards of the field at a time. The yard line shows on the stats display at all times. (4 downs to move 10 yards. Regulation 100 yards to a full field.)



YOU PLAY OFFENSE

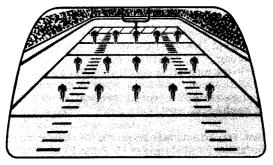
You are on the field — playing offense — in the running back position. The action on the field is seen through your "eyes." You are always at the same spot on the field. You run, kick, and pass to the receiver. The defense and field move around you. (The pass receiver catches passes and then becomes the running back.)



RUNNING BACK'S VIEW OF THE FIELD.

COMPUTER ALWAYS PLAYS DEFENSE

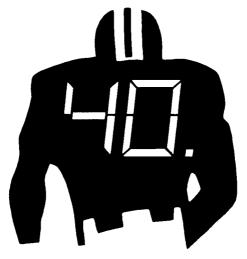
The computer controlled defenders are lighted shaped players on the field. They block kicks, intercept passes and tackle you. They are dimmer when further from the running back and get brighter as they get closer. Defender blinks after tackling the running back, intercepting a pass, or blocking a kick.



DEFENSIVE PLAYERS

GAME STATS DISPLAY

During play the yard line shows automatically. NOTE: A decimal point after the number means that you still have to get to the 50 yard line.



YOUR ARE ON YOUR 40...60 YARDS TO GO FOR A TD.

STATISTICS MODE: Before the game and between plays, press PASS once to get into statistics mode. Now you can press other keys for additional game information:

Teams & downs: show at the start of the statistic mode.

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Yards to go: Press KICK.

Visitor's score: Press left RUN Key. Home's score: Press right RUN Key.

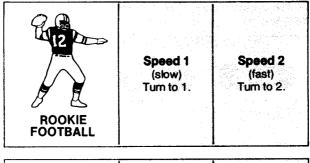
Time left in the quarter: Press center RUN Key.

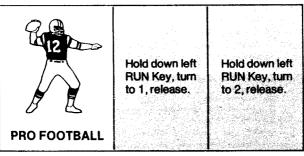
Press PASS a second time, and it resets for the next play. (Until you press PASS a second time, you can re-check the stats as much as you want.)

Important: You will automatically go into the statistic mode after the fanfare for a field goal or TD. Press PASS once to get up for the next play.

SELECTING GAME SPEED

After you have installed the battery, turn the game ON. This sets the game and playing speed. Here's how:





As the speed increases, everything goes faster. It's best to start at the slowest speed and play your way up. (For example, Pro 1 is faster than Rookie 2.)

If two people play and one is more experienced, make a more equal contest by having the better player go at a faster speed.

You can change between speed 1 and 2 at any time during play. But in order to change from Rookie to Pro (& vice versa), you must first be in statistics mode. (See page 4.) Then hold down the left RUN Key and press PASS. Hear a long high tone, now you're in Pro; hear a long low tone, you're in Rookie.

USING THE KEYS

RUNNING

Each play can be started by pressing a RUN Key. This moves the Running Back in one of three directions: left, forward or right.





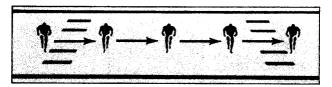


PRESS TO RUN LEFT.

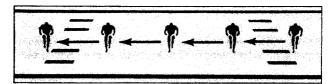
PRESS TO RUN STRAIGHT AHEAD.

PRESS TO RUN RIGHT.

Remember that the view of the playfield is through the running back's "eyes." So when you press the right RUN Key, you run right, but what you see are the defensive players moving to the left. Press the left RUN Key, you run left, but you see the defense moving to the right.

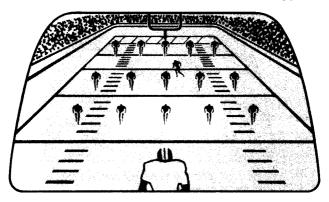


RUN LEFT, SEE DEFENSE MOVE RIGHT.



RUN RIGHT, SEE DEFENSE MOVE LEFT.

You'll get tackled if the defense moves next to you, and you don't move quickly enough. Or you'll be tackled if you run straight into the defender. Defender blinks after tackling you.



COMPUTER-CONTROLLED DEFENSE CAN TACKLE RUNNING BACK FROM THESE POSITIONS.

When you run to the left or right and the display no longer moves & you hear a buzz...you have run into the sideline. You must run forward or toward the other side to continue. You never run out of bounds.

TIPS:

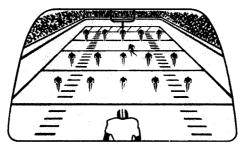
Once you press any RUN Key, defense starts to move forward toward you! Watch how defense moves — run around them, or dive through a hole. Quickness counts.

PASSING

To pick up yardage, you can press PASS and throw the ball to the receiver.

You can complete a pass when:

1) There are no defensive players between the running back & the pass receiver. Computer defense can intercept passes. You must press a RUN Key to start play!



DEFENSE WILL INTERCEPT PASS WHEN ANY OF THESE POSITIONS IS COVERED.

AND WHEN

2) The running back stays behind the line of scrimmage. You can move left or right, waiting for a hole to open up! But if you run forward, you cannot pass!

Press PASS and you see the ball zooming over the heads of the defenders. View of the field follows the "ball." The yards change quickly on the stats display. The length of each pass will vary, so check the yard line. When you hear a high tone, the pass is completed. NOTE: A high tone followed by a low tone means the pass completed and you made a first down!

Once the reception is made, you can run with the ball from where it was caught. Press the RUN Keys and keep going toward the goal line.

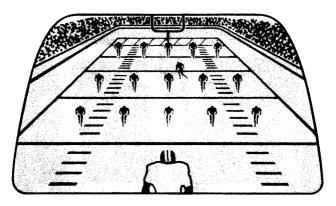
TIPS: Remember, once you run forward, you cannot pass. Complete a pass in the end zone and you score a TD! 7 points.

KICKING

To punt or try for a field goal, press KICK on any down, and send the ball downfield

You can kick when:

1) There is no defensive player right in front of the running back. You can start a play with a kick.



DEFENSE WILL BLOCK KICK IF IN THIS POSITION.

AND WHEN

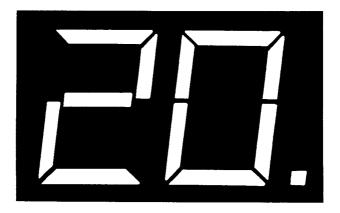
2) The running back stays behind the line of scrimmage. You can move him left or right, waiting for a hole to open up. But he cannot run forward.

Press KICK and you see the ball flying over the heads of the defense. View of the field follows the "ball." The yards change quickly on the stats display. The length of each kick varies. Check the yard line. After any kick, the other team takes possession — after punts, at the yard it was punted to (no run backs!) — after field goals, at the 20.

TIPS: Try for a field goal if you're past the 40 yard line. The closer to the end zone, the better your chances. Or, it's 4th down and long yardage...punt!

LET'S PLAY BALL

- 1. Move the OFF switch to 1. (Change to position 2 after you've had some practice at the slower speed.)
- 2. The game begins with Visitors in possession of the ball on their 20 yard line. Defense faces you! (Home team starts on their 20 the second half.)



FIRST HALF BEGINS WITH VISITORS ON THEIR 20.

3. Press one of the RUN Keys, and the computer defense moves forward to tackle you. Run laterally...wait for a hole and pass to your receiver. Then run forward...go for a TD.

IMPORTANT:

Start each play by pressing a RUN or KICK Key. Press PASS twice between plays to set up for the next play. Hear the end of quarter buzz. The clock stops ticking but you can complete a play in progress.

SIMULATED SOUNDS

Game in play	CLOCK TICKING means
Defense tackled runner	WHISTLE means
Possession changes	2 WHISTLES means
First down	LOW TONE means
Pass Completed	HIGH TONE means
Running Back hit the sideline	SHORT BUZZ means
End of quarter (ticking stops)	LONG BUZZ means
Score field goal!	3 NOTE FANFARE means
Score a TD!	6 NOTE FANFARE means
Now in Pro Football	LONG HIGH TONE means
Now in Bookie Football	LONG LOW TONE means

SCORING

Regulation 4 downs to advance 10 yards 4 quarters in a game Touchdown scores 7 points (extra point included) Field goal scores 3 points

TAKING CARE OF YOUR GAME

Treat your FOOTBALL game as you would treat a fine calculator: Don't drop it...don't leave it in a hot place, like a car glove compartment...don't let it become wet or dirty... remove the battery if the game will be stored away for more than a few weeks.

IF THE LIGHTS REPRESENTING PLAYERS OR THE SCORE DISPLAY APPEAR TO MALFUNCTION, THIS IS THE FIRST SIGN OF BATTERY WEAR. A FRESH BATTERY SHOULD SOLVE THE PROBLEM.

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